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New Acting IUGS Secretary General, Prof. Yıldırım Dilek

After the resignation of Secretary General, Ian Lambert, and consultations with the IUGS Executive Committee, IUGS President Prof. Roland Oberhänsli appointed Prof. Yıldırım Dilek as acting Secretary General until a future election. The nominating committee has been called to proceed as quickly as possible in proposing new candidates for the vacant position in order to proceed with an electronic vote. IUGS and its President appreciate and acknowledge Prof. Dilek's immediate preparedness to take over this additional task and wish him the best success, and thank Dr. Lambert for his work as SG and wish him all the best.

CGMW: Resolutions of the General Assembly 2014

The Resolutions of the Commission for the Geological Map of the World's General Assembly, held at UNESCO, Paris (France) on February 21, 2014 are available [here](#).

Report on 1st International Geoscience Congress, Tehran, Iran

The Geological Survey of Iran (GSI), Member of IUGS, organized the *First International Geoscience Congress* on “Geosciences and Politics, Economy and Culture in a Changing World” held in Tehran on February 16–19. A report for IUGS was communicated by Prof. Eduardo de Mulder, Executive Director of IUGS-affiliated Earth Science Matters (ESM). The Congress took place in parallel with the 32nd National Geoscience Conference, distributed among 12 Iranian cities, each focusing on one specific geoscience theme. A Memorandum of Understanding between ESM and the GSI was elaborated with the aim to support the GSI and Iranian universities concerning *International Lithosphere Program* projects, develop a *TOPO-WESTASIA* program, create a National Chapter for the *International Association of Mathematical Geosciences*, and support Iranian young- and early-career geoscientists (in partnership with the *Young Earth Scientists* network). Furthermore, options to



identify National ESM Focal Points in China and the Dominican Republic were explored.

More information on the Congress at <http://nigc.conference.gsi.ir/en>

ICSU ad-hoc Group Meeting on Disaster Assessment

IUGS Councilor, Prof. Yujiro Ogawa, will attend and report the ad-hoc meeting on disaster assessment held by the ICSU group on “Integrated Research on Disaster Risk” (*IRDR*) at ICSU, Paris (France) on May 2, 2014. This IRDR strategic meeting will gather together limited people as arranged by the leader of the *Natural Disaster Risk Assessment* project under ICSU, IUGG Secretary General, Prof. Alik Ismail-Zadeh.

More information on *IRDR* [here](#) and [there](#), and on [membership of the ad-hoc group meeting](#)

Invitation to the 3rd IGCP589 Meeting

The *Third International Symposium of the International Geoscience Program Project 589* on “Development of the Asian Tethyan Realm: Genesis, Process and Outcome” will be held on October 19–26, 2014 at the Geological Survey of Iran in Tehran. Interested participants are kindly invited to fill and return the [Registration Form](#) to the Organizing Secretaries (<mailto:igcp589@gsi.ir>).

For more information, please refer to the [First Circular](#).

6th Cuban Earth Science Convention

The *VI Cuban Earth Science Convention*, which embraces several thematic events, such as the *Cuban Geology Congress*, the *Cuban Geophysics Congress*, the *Cuban Mining Congress*, the *Cuban Oil and Gas Congress*, and the *Cuban Informatics and Geosciences Congress* (GEOINFO), will be held in May 2015 in Havana. Abstracts for oral and poster presentations can be submitted following the instructions available [here](#).

More information at <http://www.cubacienciasdelatierra.com/>

Cuban Geoscience open-access library

A *Cuban Digital Geoscience Library* with to more than 3,000 references to papers, books and maps about Cuban Earth Sciences, including more than 1,500 pdf files, is freely available at <http://www.redciencia.cu/geobiblio/geobiblio.html>. The collection covers various Earth Science branches with emphasis in geology, geophysics and



mining in Cuba, as well as in any topic relevant to the knowledge of the Cuban territory and other geologically/geographically-related areas.

Read more at <http://www.redciencia.cu/geobiblio/inicio.html> (in Spanish)

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