



**73rd IUGS Executive Committee Meeting  
27 February - 2 March 2019  
Beijing, China**

The 73<sup>rd</sup> IUGS EC Meeting was held in conjunction with the Deep-time Digital Earth (DDE) forum in Beijing, China. The more than [60 participants](#) included the members of the Executive Committee, the staff of the Secretariat, representatives of all Committees, Commissions, Task Groups, Initiatives, and Joint Programs, and representatives of the 36th IGC, the 37th IGC, and several Affiliated Organizations and Adhering Countries. [The agenda was extensive](#). All representatives reported in detail their major work in 2018 and in-depth exchanges were conducted on the on-going IUGS scientific activities. At the Closed Session of the 73<sup>rd</sup> IUGS EC Meeting, the EC Members discussed a wide range of issues, including a call for bidding for the 38<sup>th</sup> IGC, IUGS activities at the 36<sup>th</sup> IGC, IUGS awards, Call for Nominations of EC members for 2020-2024, applications of new Task Groups, ARC reviews, future of “Resourcing Future Generations” Initiative, copyright of IUGS scientific products, 2019 financial allocations, and meetings of the IGCC and the IUGS Bureau. The next Bureau meeting will be held in conjunction with a meeting of the International Geological Congress Committee (IGCC) in New Delhi, India in May 2019. A fall Bureau meeting likely will be held in St. Petersburg, Russia in September or October 2019.

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