

To: IUGS Council Members, Representatives of IUGS Adhering Organisations, Commissions, and Affiliated Organisations

RE: Call for Additional Candidates for IUGS NC 2024-2028

Dear IUGS Representatives,

The IUGS Nominations Committee (NC) is responsible for drawing up the slates of candidates for elections to the various Offices and the Executive Committee of the IUGS. In accordance with the IUGS Statutes and Bylaws, the active members of the Council are to elect a Nominations Committee of six members from a wider list of nominations proposed by the current NC. In addition to the six elected members, the Past President of the union shall serve as the chair of the new NC after ratification by the council.

For the new NC 2024-2028, the IUGS published two calls for nominations. The first was in November 2023, and the second in February 2024. The Chair of the NC (2020-2024) proposed a slate of candidates (link below) for ratification and subsequent election at the Fifth Ordinary Session of the IUGS-IGC Council that was held during the 37th International Geological Congress in Busan, South Korea, on August 28-29, 2024. However, due to uncertainties on the legitimacy of some candidates, extra time was required from the NC chair and IUGS to investigate the matter. Furthermore, one of the selected candidates withdrew from the list.

Therefore, the requirement for an election in accordance with the Statutes was not possible. As a consequence, the Fifth Ordinary Session of the IUGS-IGC Council voted unanimously to postpone the NC 2024-2028 election until 2025.

In order to meet the election requirements, the IUGS Executive Committee has re-opened the Call for Nomination of extra candidates for the IUGS Nominations Committee 2024-2028. Nominations, including the nominee's CV, should be sent electronically before 10 February 2025 to <u>qiuming.cheng@iugs.org</u>

The current Slate of Candidates for the IUGS NC 2024-2028 can be found here: <u>https://www.iugs.org/election2024</u>

Sincerely yours,

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