

IUGG Grants Program

SPECIAL CALL – 2018-2019

The year 2019 is the centennial year of the founding of the IUGG. The IUGG Bureau has decided to call for proposals to be dedicated to the IUGG Centennial. All proposals should address international cooperation in Earth and space sciences and highlight the importance of science for sustainable development of society. Key scientific priority areas for this call are (i) creation of new knowledge in Earth and space sciences; (ii) dissemination of knowledge, data and information on geoscience topics; (iii) geoscience for sustainable development; (iv) geoscience and policy interface; and (v) geoscience education and outreach in developing countries.

Typical proposals related to at least one of the priority areas and dedicated to the 100th anniversary of IUGG may be for an interdisciplinary conference / workshop / symposium addressing the importance of international cooperation in the geosciences, an enhancement of geoscientific research and Earth science education in Member countries as well as less developed countries. Although the range of activities supported is broad, the project proposals should be of scientific and societal importance, and their results are expected to provide clear recommendations to politicians and other decision makers at national and regional levels, and to the general public in terms of the urgent actions to be undertaken. The deliverables of the projects should bring increased visibility to IUGG and the Union Associations.

Proposals should be submitted by IUGG Associations and/or Union Commissions and should involve National Committees for IUGG. National Committees, which wish to organize an event related to the IUGG Centennial, should approach officers of the relevant Associations or Union Commissions and send them their proposal. Any grant application must involve at least two IUGG bodies (Associations and/or Union Commissions) and at least one National Member of the IUGG. Preference will be given to proposals that are interdisciplinary, especially those involving more than two of the IUGG Associations and Union Commissions as well as regions of Africa, Asia/Oceania, Latin America, and the Middle East. Proposals should be international in scope and involve women scientists, younger researchers, and scientists from developing countries.

The number of proposals to be funded per year is not fixed, but depends upon relevance, quality, proposal budget requests, and the total amount of funds available for the Grants Program. The total funding for this call for applications is US\$60,000. A ceiling of US\$15,000 is imposed on all applications. Co-sponsorship from other sources is encouraged. **The deadline for the project proposal submission is 1 March 2018.** Following the call, all proposals are peer-reviewed in open competition by the IUGG Bureau. If necessary, experts may be invited to participate in the review process. Successful applicants will be notified by 1 May 2018. For funded projects, a report is to be sent to the IUGG Secretariat by 1 February 2020.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications electronically. The application form can be obtained from the IUGG Secretariat by request from Secretaries General of IUGG Associations, Union Commissions or National Committees.