

INFORMATION E-MAIL FROM THE IAMAS BUREAU

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a) IUGG Electronic Journal, Volume 14 No. 8 (1 August 2014)

The IUGG E-Journal, Volume 14 No. 8 has been published at <http://www.iugg.org/publications/ejournals/IUGGej1408.pdf>

The contents include:

1. Global Geodetic Observing System (Feature Article)
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b) IAMAS bureau meeting

The IAMAS bureau meeting was held on 17-18 July, 2014 in Munich, kindly hosted by the IAMAS SG Dr. Hans Volkert and DLR-IPA. The Bureau was introduced to atmospheric research including applications at IPA by its director

Markus RAPP and senior scientist Frank HOLZÄPFEL. Discussions revealed common interests with IAMAS commissions.

The Bureau reviewed the IAMAS financial status and commission activities and discussed important items including IAMAS 2015 election, IAMAS program at the IUGG2015, and several award nominations.



c) IUGG grant application

15 October is the deadline for IUGG's support to meetings and workshops to be held in 2015. Since all applications have to be submitted via the IAMAS bureau, Members at Large and the commissions are supposed to send your application (details can be found at <http://www.iugg.org/meetings/guidelines.php>) to Hans with a copy to Jenny Lin by **30 September**.

Those who have received IUGG support for 2014 activities please remember to submit workshop summary (both academic and financial reports) within 2 months after the meeting to Hans.

d) IUGG Gold Medal

The Gold Medal is the highest honor of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, established in 2013 to award Earth and space scientists for outstanding contributions to geodesy and geophysics and for unselfish international cooperation in research. The Medal is presented at the IUGG General Assembly following the award's announcement. The Awardee is

bestowed the Medal, a Medal certificate and an Honorary Membership (Fellowship) of IUGG. Details can be found at http://www.iugg.org/honors/Gold_Medal.pdf.

IAMAS Members at Large and Commissions can submit one full page of expression of interest (name, reason for nomination, and the name of nominator) to the IAMAS Vice President Prof. Joyce Penner <penner@umich.edu> with a copy to Jenny Lin **by 25 Aug, 2014**. Each commission and Member at Large can nominate only one candidate. The full package is expected to be received by 15 September. Packages that do not meet the requirements detailed at http://www.iugg.org/honors/Gold_Medal.pdf or packages submitted later than **15 September** will not be accepted.

e) IUGG Fellowship

The Fellowship (Honorary Membership) of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics is a tribute to individuals who have made exceptional contributions to international cooperation in geodesy or geophysics and attained eminence in the field of Earth and space sciences. Honorary Members are bestowed a certificate of IUGG Fellowship, which is presented at the IUGG General Assembly following the announcement of the awards.

IAMAS Members at Large and Commissions can submit the full package to Hans with a copy to Jenny Lin **by 1 September, 2014**. Each commission and Member at Large can nominate only one candidate. Packages that do not meet the requirements detailed at <http://www.iugg.org/honors/Fellowship.pdf> or packages submitted later than **1 September** will not be accepted.

f) Call for nominations for IAMAS EC 2015-2019

The following IAMAS EC positions will be open for election at the upcoming General Assembly in 2015:

- President (2015-2019)
- Secretary General (2015-2023)
- two Vice- Presidents (2015-2019), and
- three Members-at-Large (2015-2023)

The IAMAS nominating committee then invites the national representative of an IUGG Adhering Country or a member of the IAMAS Executive Committee (which includes the Presidents of the IAMAS Commissions as well as the elected officers), to nominate individuals for any or all of the above-noted positions. In line with the IAMAS Statutes (downloadable from the IAMAS Web site), your nominations should be received by **15 Jan, 2015**. Please send the nominations to the Chair of the Nominating Committee, Prof. Guoxiong Wu (gxwu@lasg.iap.ac.cn), or to any of the other members of the Committee with

a copy to the administrative assistant Ms. Jenny Lin (jennylin@mail.iap.ac.cn). The Committee will then consider all of the nominations and prepare a slate of candidates for the IAMAS Plenary to vote on at the Prague meeting. The slate will be completed by 1 May, 2015 and will be presented at the first plenary session of the EC meeting in Prague.

The details of nomination procedures can be found in the letter circulated to all the EC members and National Committees on 11 August, 2014.

g) Upcoming IAMAS Event: An ICDM-ICPM-PPP Workshop

The workshop on "Dynamics of Atmosphere-Ice-Ocean Interactions in the High-Latitudes" will be held in Rosendal, Norway (near Bergen) on 23-27 March, 2015.

Workshop website: <http://highlatdynamics.b.uib.no/>

PDF of first circular: <http://tinyurl.com/first-circ-highlatdyn-pdf>

Contact us: HighLatDynamics@uib.no

Abstracts/Applications are due **8 October, 2014**.

Please forward and post.

About the workshop:

Goal: Summarize our fundamental understanding and description of small-scale processes in the coupled atmosphere-ocean-ice climate system at high latitudes in order to assess and reduce bias and uncertainties in weather prediction and climate models.

The workshop will be limited to ca. 90 participants. Limited travel funding will be available to support a selection of early career scientists (Post-docs within 5 years of PhD and PhD students).

Conference registration fees are covered by the sponsors. Special hotel rate and full board (per night): 1550,00 (single) / 1250,00 (double) NOK.

Session themes and invited speakers

1. The Polar Climate: large scale circulation and interaction with mid-latitudes

Jennifer Francis, James Screen, TBD

2. The Coupled Atmosphere-Ocean-Ice System: current understanding and processes

John Cassano, Chris Fairall, Andrew Roberts, Michael Tjernström, Timo Vihma

3. Extreme Events in the Polar Regions: dynamics and characteristics
Günther Heinemann, Ian Renfrew, Thomas Spengler

4. Polar Predictability: state of the art and challenges ahead
Jim Doyle, Jun Inoue, Thomas Jung, Jørn Kristiansen

Important dates:

Application deadline for contributed talks and posters: 8 October, 2014

Travel support application (early career): 8 October, 2014

Notification of acceptance: 4 December, 2014

Deadline to confirm participation: 15 January, 2015

Organizing Committee:

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