

Aggregate Commission (C17) Report to the IAEG Council at the Meeting in Cape Town, South Africa, (August-September 2016)

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General Information:

The Commission was established in Vancouver, September 20, 1998. This organisation encompasses members in over 35 countries. All members are encouraged to share their knowledge and contribute to the aggregate industry.

Objectives of the Commission are:

1. To increase the co-operation with other scientific fields, and of its role within the Association.
2. To enhance the role of Engineering Geology and its applications within the aggregate and construction industries.

3. To provide a source of continuous and uniform information of aggregates and environmental issues.
4. To foster the sharing of knowledge on research results and methodologies.
5. To facilitate cross-institutional and cross-disciplinary networks among researchers and practitioners around the world.
6. To increase opportunities for collaborative research

In order to fulfill these objectives we plan to undertake the following activities:

1. To publish the technical report titled “ Geological Material Aspects for Construction Industry”
2. To increase the use of the commission’s homepage that is readily available for up-to-date information.
3. To provide information of aggregates in the IAEG Bulletin.
4. To collect, correlate and publish data on the performance of various rocks with respect to their properties and end-use applications.
5. To produce harmonised international guidelines for investigation of potential deposits.
6. To assist the European standardisation body (CEN) with supporting activities and information for further development and improvement of standards.
7. To create international co-operation and new international projects.

Earlier meetings and workshops:

- The Commission has had information meetings at all official IAEG meetings, i.e. in Kathmandu, Nepal, September 1999, at the 31st IGC meeting in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, August 2000, at GeoEng2000 in Melbourne, Australia, November 2000, at Aggregate 2001 in Helsinki, Finland, August 2001, in Durban, South Africa, September 2002, in Istanbul, Turkey, September 2003, in Florence, Italy, August 2004, in Lyon, France, May 2005, in Nottingham, UK, September 2006, in Oslo, Norway, August 2008, in Auckland, New Zealand, September 2010, in Brisbane, Australia, September 2012, in Beijing, China, September 2013 and in Torino, Italy, September 2014.

Date and venue of last meeting:

Last meeting was held during The IAEG XII Congress in Torino, Italy, 23 members attended to the meeting.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will take place in Cape Town, South Africa, during 35th International Geological Congress (27 August - 4 September 2016).

Activities:

- An essential task of the commission is to continuously establish new contacts in various countries, for example by sending information about aggregate occasions to potentially interested persons. Currently, the Commission has contact persons from 21 countries.
- There is a good scientific relationships between UEPG (European Aggregates Association)
- The chairperson visited some aggregate quarries in Beijing, China and in Torino, Italy and gave information about commission's activities.
- A new Project is finished, submitted by South European Countries to European Community 7th framework program. The title of the Project is "***SNAP-SEE – Sustainable Aggregates Planning in South East Europe***".
- Several congresses and symposiums related with aggregates were organized in different countries, Chairperson and members of the commission were attended and gave information about commission's activities. These are given below:
 1. International Conference on "Engineering Geology in New Millennium", October 2015, New Delhi, India.

Web site:

The Commission has a web site: www.iaeg.info

The website of the commission is open to service and is being updated regularly. The web site has following contents:

- Updated list of members of the Commission
- All reports to the IAEG from information meetings
- Latest news
- Information of international aggregate standards
- Aggregate glossary
- References related to aggregates
- Related aggregate links

Coming Events:

1. 35th International Geological Congress (27 August - 4 September 2016).

Website: <http://www-conference.slu.se/sga2013/abstracts.html>

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