

International Association for Engineering Geology and the Environment



Young Engineering Geologists Committee

Objective: To ensure the future of the IAEG through the promotion of the interests of young engineering geologists (YEGs) and their increasing involvement in the activities of the Association.

Terms of Reference:

1. To promote the involvement of Young Engineering Geologists (YEGs) in the activities of IAEG by the positive affirmation of their important role in all of the activities of the Association.
2. To promote the interests and needs of YEGs within the IAEG, by:
 - a. Organising and facilitating events that foster the networking of people within the YEG group.
 - b. To facilitate the networking of YEGs with other members of the IAEG.
 - c. To facilitate the technical development of young professionals and practitioners by the provision of demand driven training and mentoring programmes and work opportunities.
3. To facilitate the communication and networking of all YEGs in all regions through the use of social networking, blogging and emailing.
4. To encourage the participation of YEGs in the wider IAEG, to ensure the involvement and promotion of a younger generation into the Association.

The methodology to achieve the above points varies across the globe and will therefore be addressed both locally and globally to ensure the objective is reached.

Structure of the YEG Committee

The YEG committee consists of members of the IAEG who are younger than 40 at the time of appointment:

5. **Management Committee.** This is the core team responsible for the management of the YEG Committee. Decisions are taken at this level, in consultation with Country Representatives.

The Management Committee is composed of up to nine people:

- a. **Chair:** Appointed by IAEG President, based on a shortlist of two to three candidates presented to the IAEG Executive Committee by the YEG Committee
 - b. **Regional Representatives:** One per IAEG Vice President Region-Appointed by the respective VP. If a VP does not appoint a regional representative for their region the position remains vacant.
 - c. Functional roles (Vice-chair, Secretary, Digital media liaison, etc) may be created by the YEG Management Committee as required. Functional roles will be filled by members of the Management Committee, as agreed internally by the Management Committee.
 - d. Term:
 - i. Two years, extendable for another term of two years, depending on performance.
 - ii. Performance to be assessed by the Management Committee, in consultation with Country Representatives and IAEG Executive Committee.
 - iii. The two-year term starts on the occasion of the IAEG International Congress.
 - iv. The two-year extension (subject to performance, as per section 5-d-ii) starts on the occasion of the IAEG Council meeting of the respective year.
 - e. Transition between terms – the immediate Past Chair role:
 - i. To achieve a smoother transition between terms, the outgoing YEG Chair should continue as Past Chair for one year with the incoming YEG Committee.
6. **Country Representatives.** The country representatives provide a vital link between the young members of the National Groups and the YEG Committee.
- a. One Country Representative per National Group, appointed by the National Group.
 - b. Term: same as the YEG Management Committee (refer section 5-d).