

STATEMENT FOR THE CANDIDATURE OF IAEG SECRETARY GENERAL FOR 2023-2026

Faquan Wu

Dear President and the Council,

I am very pleased to be the candidate for the fourth time for the IAEG Secretary General of the term of 2023-2026.

I was elected the Secretary General of IAEG for my first term 2011-2014. After that, with the blessing of Council and the help of the colleagues of Secretariat and kind support of my family, I am able to succeed twice so far.

In the third term 2019-2022 as Secretary General, I have kept raising efficiency of communication among our Executive Committee members, National/Regional Groups, Commissions, individual members of IAEG and sister societies among FedIGS. I have organized the official meetings on or off line via detailed document preparation and thoughtful coordination. And the decisions of the ExCom and Council have been more highly effectively implemented. I have assisted the elections of HCM, RWP and MAM and offered the Juries service needed.

With the help of vice presidents, I have made great effort to establish new national and regional groups and promote membership recruitment. The total number of national and regional groups has risen from 61 in year 2018 to 69 in year 2021. The total number of members has risen from 4323 members in year 2018 to 4436 members in year 2021, keeping steady increase annually. Meanwhile, to better service to members, I redesigned the newsletter several times for popularization of science and information exchange and send the newsletter to every member directly.

We have tried to provide help and support to IAEG activities of national groups and commissions in the past 4 years. Facing the challenge of epidemic situation, a series of

academic meetings have been successfully organized. Especially national groups in Asia are now very active to fulfill their duty and competing to sponsor IAEG Asian regional conference actively. Under my initiative and full preparation for years, since 2017, a biennial Shaoxing International Forum, jointed by IAEG and ISRM was hosted in Shaoxing, Zhejiang Province, China. It is a brand new platform for IAEG and sister societies aiming to further grow influence on discipline development and engineer practice.

Upon the summarized experience of many years, beside the daily routine, I have profound understanding in the development of discipline and IAEG. I have kept further advancing IAEG Science and Technology Awards and International Research Program. Finally, IAEG started these award and program this year, which could be nominated by commissions and make the commissions much stronger to support the IAEG academic conference, HCM and RWP with leading science and technology achievement in the near future. IAEG will be a fruitful and self-motivated association.

Looking into the future, if I am honored to be reelected by the Council as the Secretary General for 2023-2026, I will do my best along with my colleagues in the Secretariat under the leadership of the President, Executive Committee and the Council. Serving the welfare of IAEG members is my unchangeable objective. A united and progressive IAEG is my heartfelt hope.

With the help of vice presidents and national and regional groups, I will encourage more associated members, activate and establish more new national and regional groups. And taking the advantage of Bulletin, website, Newsletter, Connector and lecture tours etc., the Secretariat will provide more valuable services to every members, sharing new technology and mature scientific research, major project presentation and engineering experience.

Most importantly, I will concentrate energies on development of IAEG and the discipline of engineering geology, especially promoting IAEG Science and Technology Award and International Research Program to improve the influence of

engineering geology and IAEG in the scientific community. IAEG should award best achievements and propagate advanced technology and knowledge complied to the original aim of IAEG.

Together for a shared future. I sincerely hope that I am honored to fulfil the duty of Secretary General again, authorized by my colleagues from the Council. We together go hand in hand into the bright future of IAEG.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Faquan Wu". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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