

17th International Congress of the Geological Society of Greece Mytilene, 27-31 May 2025

First Circular and Call for Special Sessions

Date and Venue

The Geological Society of Greece (GSG) announces its 17th International Congress. The Congress is going to be held in **Mytilene, Lesvos island (Greece)**, during **May 27-31, 2025** and will be hosted at the **University of the Aegean**.

Organization

The 17th International Congress of the Geological Society of Greece, the largest and most important scientific conference on Earth Sciences in Greece, is organized by the University of the Aegean / Department of Geography in collaboration with the Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest with the support of the Academic Departments and Sectors in Geosciences of the Greek Universities, Research and Scientific Institutions and Development Agencies operating in the Aegean.

Objectives

The primary goal of the Congress is the presentation of the most recent advances in Geological- and Environmental Sciences, mainly in the Aegean Region and its surroundings, aiming at highlighting their impacts on natural resources, natural hazards, and environmental problems. A major aim of the Congress is also to emphasize data acquisition, multi-disciplinary interpretation and modelling, theoretical developments, and applications to the Earth's systems at various spatial scales employing new open-access data.

Subjects - Themes

The Congress addresses all subjects of Earth Sciences. A tentative list of themes is given below:

Active tectonics, Applied geophysics, Applied mineralogy, Archaeometry, Atmospheric environment, Climatology, Energy resources, Engineering geology, Environment and health, Geoarchaeology, Geochemistry, Geochronology, Geology and education, Geosciences and environment, Geothermal energy, Geological Heritage, Geosites, Geoconservation, Geoparks, GIS and Geoinformatics, Hydrogeology, Industrial rocks and minerals, Marine geology, Meteorology, Mineralogy, Mineral exploration, Natural hazards, Neotectonics, Oceanography, Ore deposits, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeontology, Physical geography, Physics of the Earth's interior, Quaternary geology, Remote sensing/Earth observation, Sedimentology, Seismology, Speleology, Stratigraphy, Structural Geology, Sustainable development, Tectonics, Urban geology.

Call for Special Session Proposals

The Congress is seeking original high quality **Special Sessions** addressing innovative research and/or specific geographic areas in the broad field of Earth Sciences. We wish to highlight significant and emerging areas of the main research fields, but also focus on specific topics of certain areas. Interdisciplinary session themes will be highly regarded.

Topics of interest include but are not limited to the fields of the "Subjects-Themes" section above. Special session proposals should be submitted using the appropriate form that can be found in the Conference's site (www.ege2025lesvos.gr).

Each special session is expected to consist of at least 8 papers and will be chaired by two organizers. The organizers' role is to attract the speakers and chair the session itself. Proposals will be evaluated based on the timeliness of the topic, relevance to the Conference's thematic fields, the degree to which they will bring together key researchers in the area, introduce the area to the larger research community, further develop the area and potentials to establish a larger community around the topic. Please note that all papers in the proposed session will undergo the same review process as regular papers. If after the reviewing process less than the necessary number of papers solicited for a special session is selected, the

Special Session will be cancelled and the solicited papers that passed review process will be presented within regular sessions of the Congress.

The following information should be included in the proposal:

- Title of proposed session.
- An introduction stating the importance of the topic and the rationale for the proposed session.
- Organizers (including contact information).
- List of potential submissions if available.

Deadline for special session proposals: July 31, 2024.

Official Language

The official language of the Congress is **English**.

Registration fees

Registration fees include attendance, proceedings, coffee breaks and Field trips (30th and 31st May 2025) are as follows:

Category	Registration fees	
	A. Until February 28, 2025	B. After March 1, 2025
Delegates*	150/180 €	180/210 €
Young scientists*	130/160 €	160/190 €
Retired / Emeritus	80 / 100 €	100 / 120 €
Undergraduate and post-graduate students (attendance and coffee breaks only)	30 €	
Additional paper fee	40 €	

* The first fee in each category corresponds to GSG members (based on the latest list of members, as provided by the Secretary of the Geological Society of Greece), while the second to non-members.

In order for a delegate to qualify for a **Young scientist** fee, he or she should:

- Be **35 years** old or younger in 2025 (i.e. born not earlier than January 1, 1990),
and
- Be the **lead author** of the associated paper(s).

These fees correspond to **one paper per delegate**. In case a delegate wants to submit more papers, a **fee of 40 €** per additional paper will be charged. Please note that no paper will be accepted for publication without prior payment of registration fees.

Please note that all additional costs regarding the payment of registration fees (e.g. bank expenses) have to be paid by the delegates themselves.

Registration fees include:

- Admission to the Meeting Sessions and the Exhibition
- Delegate material (meeting bag, Program booklet, pen, note pad)
- Certificate of Attendance
- Coffee and Lunch breaks, as announced in the Program
- Welcome Reception
- Participation to Field Trips

Presentations

Presentations will be in either oral or poster form. Detailed presentation guidelines will be given in the 2nd circular (estimated issue date: **September, 2024**).

Paper submission

The Congress will publish full, peer-reviewed Short Papers (Extended Abstracts – up to 6 pages) of the submitted contributions. Papers will be published in the Bulletin of the Geological Society of Greece. The Conference proceedings will be prepared in advance and distributed during the Congress in electronic format. Participants interested in publishing a paper should submit the complete manuscript until **December 31, 2024**.

Submitted papers will be reviewed and authors will be notified for the acceptance no later than **February 15, 2025**. For accepted papers to be published, registration fees (cat. B fees) should be paid within 10 days of the acceptance notice at the latest.

Each accepted paper should correspond to registration of at least one of the authors and each registration corresponds to only one paper.

Detailed guidelines to the authors for the preparation of the papers/abstracts will be given in the 2nd Circular of the Congress (**September 2024**). Related information will also be available online.

Organization

Special rates at selected hotels have been reserved.

More information will be available in the Second Circular as well as online.

Information

For any additional information, please contact:

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Important dates

Call for Special Session proposals	June, 2024
Deadline for Special Session proposals	July 30, 2024
Second Circular	September, 2024
Paper submission deadline	December 31, 2024
Paper acceptance	February 15, 2025
Early-bird registration deadline	February 28, 2025
Standard Registration	March 1, 2025
17 th GSG Congress	May 27-31, 2025