



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
**ENGINEERING GEOLOGY
AND THE ENVIRONMENT**
ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DE
**GEOLOGIE DE L'INGENIEUR
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Statement of YEG VP Position of IAEG

Objective:

To ensure the activities of the IAEG and increase future young memberships 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 the activities of the Association.
2. To increase the number of young members in IAEG that will support the future of the association.
3. 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.
4. To facilitate the communication and networking of all YEGs in all regions through the use of social networking, blogging and emailing.
5. 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. A representative of YEG from each NG/RG and region will assist toward these goals.

Structure of the YEG Committee

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

Management Committee (YEG 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:

- a. **Chair:** Chair will be elected as a Vice President (VP-YEG) officer voted by the IAEG council as all other officers that have a right to vote in the IAEG Executive Office. The VP-YEG candidate should be proposed by YEG management committee or recommended by an IAEG NG/RG to be assessed by the YEG management committee.



b. Functional roles of Management Committee (Vice-chair, Secretary, Digital media liaison, etc) will be created by the internal team as required. Functional roles will be filled by members of the management committee, as agreed internally by the management committee.

c. Regional Representatives: One per IAEG Vice President Region- Appointed by the YEG committee. If no regional representative is proposed for their region the position remains vacant. At the same time, a position can be shared.

d. Candidacy and inclusion of new members in the YEG committee: New members can be appointed by YEG committee, YEG Regional Representative, Vice President of the region or National/Regional Groups. Three months before the IAEG and/or IUGS Congress, or when required, the Management Committee will evaluate which positions should be filled (refer section 5-eii) and they will call for nominations for those specific positions. The final decision is up to the YEG committee in consultation with the IAEG ExCom. Candidates should provide: Short bio (2-3 pages), recommendation letter from National/Regional Group or Regional Vice President (if possible) and a short (5-10 minutes) presentation video. The new YEG member will be elected by internal elections of the Management Committee.

i. Given the case one region has no candidates the position remains vacant.

ii. Given the case, one region has more than one candidate, a shared position could be decided.

iii. When one YEG Regional Representative decides to leave the position the outcoming candidate can propose his/her replacement to the YEG Committee which has the final decision. The candidate should provide the same as any other candidate: short bio, recommendation letter from National/Regional Group or Regional Vice President and a short presentation video.

e. Term:

i. Four years, extendable for more than four years depending on performance. Renewal is possible for members since there is positive feedback from section - eii.

ii. The two-year term of the VP starts 1 st of January of the year after the elections in the council meeting of IAEG.

iii. Performance to be assessed by the Management Committee with input/ recommendation from the YEG Chair, in consultation with Country Representatives and IAEG Executive Committee.

f. Meetings:

The Management Committee meets monthly virtually (video call) and annually in person, on the occasion of an important event (IAEG Congress, IUGS Congress, IAEG Regional Conferences, etc.)



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Country Representatives.

The country representatives provide a vital link between the young members of the National/Regional Groups and the YEG Committee.

- a. One Country Representative per National/Regional Group or shared position, appointed by the respective National/Regional Group. Country representatives / local YEGs should provide reports to the respective regional representative at least every six (6) months.
- b. Term: same as the Management Committee (refer section 5-e).