

IAMG General Assembly 2026, 26 August 2026, 5:45 pm

Attendance record :

Nine Council members, 38 regular members and 8 non-members attended the assembly

IAMG Council: Raimon Tolosana (IAMG P), Ute Mueller (GS IAMG), Dionissios Hristopoulos (IAMG VP), Arja Jewbali (IAMG Treasurer), Xavier Emery (CM), Guillaume Pirot (CM), Joerg Benndorf (CM), Jeff Boisvert (IGC Councillor), Peter Dowd (IAMG Past President),

IAMG Members: Roussos Dimitrakopoulos, Gerald van den Boogaart, Julien Herero, Katie Silversides, Juliana Leung, Honggeun Jo, Ayon Ghosh, Xinzhi Liang, Xinwei Liu, Abani Samad, Suihohng Song, Manon Manau, Gongweng Wang, Lingqing Yao, Bijal Chudasama, Nadia Mery, Ogonwa Tochukisu Emenaka, Francisco Tinti, Sara Kasmaee, Katsuaki Koike, Tim Coburn, Xia Xia Liang, Behnam Sadeghi, Enamundram Chandrasekhar, Thomas Trantow, Francisco Tognoli, Teresa Mourao, Zixian Shi, Fanfan Yang, Aida Amidi, Liya Tomy, Esther Kerubo, Haixia Zhang, Manu Schnetzler, Ute Herzfeld, Eric Grunsky, Joshua Rines, Suzan v.d.Lei, Drew Heasman, Dany Lauzon, Ebru Bozdog, Ejike Kenneth Ezech

Non-members: Ebenezer Afrifa-Yamoah, Abdelaziz Zine, Italo Goncalves, Masahide Kishimoto, Regina van den Boogaart, Charlie Garayt, John Page, Andreas Knobloch

Apologies: Karel Hron (CM), Mario Rossi (CM), Caterina Rossi (CM)

The President opened the meeting at 5:45 pm

1. The president reported on past activities and commented on the current conference, which went well despite the absence of presenters who could not attend for a variety of reasons, including delays in obtaining a visa for Canada. He thanked the local organizing committee for their work.
He further reported on having initiated a commission on membership value and contribution structure for membership fees.
2. Reports by the IAMG Treasurer and IAMG secretary are as per the attached presentation. The secretary suggested that the Statute regarding Council membership should be revisited to allow formal observer status for the Chairs of the Awards, Lecture and Student Affairs and Research Grants committees, as they need to provide formal input with respect to budgetary requirements for their committees and also need to be aware of the budgetary constraints the IAMG is working with. In this context the question was raised whether or not the journal editors should full voting members of the IAMG Council. There was some discussion regarding the proposal, but there was no voting since it was concluded that voting rights should be conferred only to elected officers.
3. The IAMG Vice president reported on activities of the Outreach Committee and reported on the new Fellowship policy. The General Assembly had been advised of the need of a formal vote on a proposal for a designation process for past councillors, IAMG executive members, committee chairs, and past editors in chief.

The motion to include the clause:

“IAMG Council members, committee chairs, conference chairs and editors in chief of IAMG journals who are IAMG members are designated as Fellows at the end of their terms

(conditional on the fulfilment of the eligibility conditions specified in the IAMG Fellows Program).

to come into force after the conclusion of the term of office of the current Council term

in the Fellowship policy was debated and rejected with 23 votes against, 8 votes in favor and 16 abstentions.

Following the voting, three new Fellows were inducted: Peter Dowd for his service as IAMG president during the pandemic, Tim Coburn for his willingness to step in as IAMG as interim Treasurer to fill the gap created by the resignation of the Treasurer at the time, and Graeme Bonham Carter for his long-term support of the association as IAMG Archivist (his certificate was presented to him at the Council meeting on the preceding day).

4. Reports by the various committees were received and discussed (attached) and the call for nominations for the IAMG awards (Vistelius, Chayes Prize and Founders Scholarship) as well as the IAMG Distinguished Lecturer 2028 and the Matheron Lecturer 2027 was launched.

5. Other items

Questions regarding consequences/further actions following from the panel discussion “Geomathematics and Artificial intelligence: Perspectives in Science, Society and Industry” were discussed.