

IAH Karst Commission – Annual Report for 2012

All activities of the IAH Karst Commission (KC) are reported and documented on our up-to-date website: www.iah.org/karst. This report summarizes the most relevant highlights:

- The 4th meeting of the KC was held during the 40th IAH Congress in Niagara Falls, Canada, in September 2012. At this congress, the KC has organized five successful sessions on Karst Hydrogeology:
 - Karst Aquifers, Environmental Problems and Global Change
 - Characterization and Management of Karst Aquifers
 - Modeling Karst Aquifer Systems
 - Topics in General Karst Hydrogeology
 - Artificial Tracers and Environmental Isotopes (with the IAHS Commission on Tracers)
- During this conference, the Young Karst Researcher Prizes 2012 were awarded to Sanae El Janyani (France), Nicolas Peyraube (France), and Owen Naughton (Ireland).
- After this Congress, Derek Ford (KC member), Daryl Granger and Stephen Worthington (KC member) led a 3-day field trip to some interesting karst terrains in Ontario.
- Several publication projects have been accomplished, e.g. a special issue of Environmental Earth Sciences, edited by KC members Bartolomé Andreo and Jim LaMoreaux as well as two new papers of the KC series Reviews in Karst Hydrogeology.
For details see: <http://www.iah.org/karst/publications.html>
- KC Member Tobias Geyer and colleagues have chaired a session on karst aquifers at the European Geosciences Union General Assembly in Vienna, Austria, in April 2012.

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