

IAH NEW YEAR MESSAGE

FOR IAH MEMBERS, SUPPORTERS AND COLLEAGUES



Dear IAH members, dear colleagues

At this time of hope at the beginning of a new year, on behalf of the Executive and Council of IAH, and in the name of our Secretariat, I want to send you our best wishes for a great 2017, both professionally and personally.

The beginning of a new year is always a time of reflection on past achievements and a time of projection for the future of our activities and expectations. A special word for our colleagues in difficulties from unemployment, our hope is that in a short time you can find a job adapted to your skills, to apply your knowledge for the welfare of humanity or the improvement of scientific groundwater knowledge. A special word also to our IAH colleagues in countries experiencing difficult economic, social, political and security situations; you may sometimes feel isolated but you are still within our thoughts.

IAH has the intention to continue to grow, and we would like all of you to make an effort to increase our membership numbers in 2017 and in future years. All of us can contribute by bringing in one more colleague from our companies, universities and institutions. A special word for our senior academic members; we would like you to encourage more students to join in our activities; students who can participate in our Early Career Hydrogeologists' Network (ECHN), which is always ready to help young professionals to become involved in IAH activities.

In 2017, IAH intends to strengthen its relationships with other international water-related institutions and associations, and all our members are invited to help in these tasks, trying to bring to events in which you participate the concept of hydrogeology, especially in water events not specifically dedicated to groundwater. Although we already work at this, an even greater effort is needed to put our science into the agenda of water related events and institutions, and all of you can help.

Finally, a word of thanks for the Secretariat and the Council members, for all your commitment to IAH and its activities. Let's continue to work together for the progress of IAH in 2017. We wish the word "success" could be the most common word for all of you in this New Year.

To all, all the best for 2017!

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