

# 2020 CHAPTER REPORT



Each national chapter is required by IAH Rule 6.5 to provide an annual report on its activities. This helps us to report the Association's activities and is published on the IAH web site. It is also expected that, under the terms of the chapter's constitution or rules, the national committee will make an annual report to members in their country.

## 1. ABOUT YOU

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## 2. YOUR CHAPTER'S INFORMATION

<p>Is your chapter's information correct on IAH's website: <a href="https://iah.org/groups/national-chapters">https://iah.org/groups/national-chapters</a></p> <p>Please tell us of any changes now and each time a new committee is chosen.</p>	<p>Yes, the inform voteation about our chapter is correct on IAH's website</p>
<p>Does your chapter have its own website? If so, please confirm the URL.</p> <p>If you do have a website, who is responsible for its management? Please provide contact details.</p>	<p>Yes, our chapter has its own website.</p> <p>URL: <a href="http://aih-cl.org">http://aih-cl.org</a></p> <p>The responsible for its management is: Daniel Stiven Balzan Alzate Contact: aihchile@gmail.com</p>
<p>Would you be interested in IAH hosting your chapter's website/providing support? As an example, see <a href="https://germany.iah.org/">https://germany.iah.org/</a>.</p>	<p>We are not interested at the moment.</p>
<p>Does your chapter have an elected committee?</p> <p>If yes, how often are elections held and how are they managed e.g. postal/email vote/at meetings?</p>	<p>Yes, we have an elected committee.</p> <p>Committee elections are held every two years.</p> <p>For the election of the new committee the applications to the different positions of the board of directors are opened. Having the applicants, they present themselves before the members and they have taken a vote by electing the new board of directors of the International Association of Hydrogeologists-Chilean Chapter.</p> <p>The elections were scheduled for past year but problems with the pandemic did delay the program. The elections will be executed in 2021. We are working on that with email vote.</p>

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## 3. LOCAL MEMBERSHIP

<p>How is local membership status and trends? e.g. stable, declining, increasing.</p>	<p>Local memberships were stable (taking into account the global situation caused by Covid-19) in 2020 compared to 2019. In 2020 we had a total of 59 members of which 3 were corporate partners, while by 2019 we had a total of 68 partners of which 6 were corporate partners.</p>
<p>What are your challenges to recruitment? e.g. volunteer time/limitation, IAH fee rates, competition from other societies, language, etc.</p>	<p>We currently find two main challenges for recruiting partners:            1- IAH membership rates.            2- The competition with the Chilean Chapter of the Latin American Association of Underground Hydrology for Development (Alhsud).</p>

## 4. YOUR CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES IN 2020

<p>Did your chapter hold an annual meeting (AGM-style)? If so, please advise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date and place of meeting</li> <li>• Approximate number attending</li> </ul>	<p>Given the global situation regarding the pandemic, it has not been possible to hold the annual meeting in 2020.</p>
<p>Did your chapter hold other events e.g. technical and scientific meetings, seminars, conferences, field visits, training events?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you have already reported these to the IAH Secretariat, only summary information is required.</li> <li>• If not, these please provide a summary of dates, location, number of participants, topics, etc. and how successful you felt each event was.</li> <li>• Do you have photos we can use?</li> <li>• Are your events open to IAH non-members?</li> <li>• Did you hold events in partnership with others e.g. a national society, company, institution?</li> </ul>	<p>Our chapter has made a series of events in 2020, which consisted of technical seminars and a course.</p> <p>Technical seminars:</p> <p>1- A look at the water resources of the Andean Western Front. Dictated by Matías Taucare.            Date: 14/05/2020            Place: Online            Participants: 200</p> <p>2- Mine water management at BHP, an integrated approach to risk management and resource value optimization. Dictated by Carolina Ahumada.            Date: 18/06/2020            Place: Online            Participants: 300</p> <p>3- Methods for the characterization and monitoring of coastal aquifers at different scales. Dictated by Albert Folch.            Date: 23/07/2020            Place: Online            Participants: 300</p>

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	<p>4-Characterization of hydrogeological systems in high mountain areas using isotopic techniques. Dictated by Jorge Jódar. Date: 15/10/2020 Place: Online Participants: 300</p> <p>5-Hydrogeology applied to Aquifer Remediation. Dictated by Nicolás Reyes. Date: 12/11/2020 Place: Online Participants: 200</p> <p><b>Course:</b> Hydrogeology of Chile. Dictated by different expositors: Iván Romero, Corrado Tore, Christian Herrera, Benoit Viguier, Ricardo Oyarzún, Sergio Iriarte, Jorge Rodríguez, Felipe Avilés, Ernesto Ramírez, Matías Taucare, Claudio Moya and Elisabeth Lictevout. In this course we had a panel discussion as a closure by Carlos Espinoza, Orlando Acosta, Linda Daniele, Patricio Walker. Date: 30/11/2020 to 02/12/2020 Place: Online Participants: 100</p>
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## 5. YOUR CHAPTER'S PLANS

<p>Do you have any activities or tasks planned for 2021? If yes, please provide brief details, including if your plans are limited because of e.g. lack of funds or local interest/volunteer support to help</p>	<p>In this year we started our activities with a technical seminar:</p> <p>1- Integrated surface-subsurface modeling for watershed planning: advantages and challenges. Dictated by Pedro Sanzana. Date: 24/02/2021 Place: Online Participants: 250</p> <p>- We will continue with technical talks addressing different topics of interest, it is intended to make between 4 and 6 technical talks in 2021.</p> <p>-The annual course of the AIH-Chilean Chapter.</p>
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## 6. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Please use this section to make any additional comments/suggestions e.g. what support from IAH centrally might assist your chapter, future plans you would like to see for IAH

We are grateful that you have included a reference to our chapter on the AIH global website few months ago.

*Please send your report as a Word document and any questions or comments to the IAH Secretariat ([jdavey@iah.org](mailto:jdavey@iah.org) with a copy to [knicholson@iah.org](mailto:knicholson@iah.org)). Thank you for your time.*