

# 2024 CHAPTER REPORT



## Hungarian National Chapter

### Annual Report 2024

*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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Role/responsibility held in chapter	President, secretary

#### 2. YOUR CHAPTER'S INFORMATION

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> Please tell us of any changes now and each time a new committee is chosen.	yes
Does your chapter have its own website? If so, please confirm the URL. If you do have a website, who is responsible for its management? Please provide contact details.	no
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> .	no
Does your chapter have an elected committee? If yes, how often are elections held and how are they managed e.g. postal/email vote/at meetings?	Yes. Elections are held every two years.

#### 3. LOCAL MEMBERSHIP

How is local membership status and trends? e.g. stable, declining, increasing.	Membership is stable, there are ca. 30-35 members, slightly increased in recent years, especially due to free student membership.
What are your challenges to recruitment? e.g. volunteer time/limitation, IAH fee rates, competition from other societies, language, etc.	For most national hydrogeologists, international visibility, international events are less important.

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## 4. YOUR CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES IN 2024

<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>Our chapter held several committee meetings during the spring of 2024 to discuss the possibility of organizing the 2026 IAH Congress in Budapest. After that we held an online meeting for all members (7 June) to discuss the theme, sections and sponsorship opportunities regarding the conference. The number of attendees was about 13.</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><b>Online webinar, 27 March:</b>  <i>Presenter:</i> Dr. József Deák  <i>Topic:</i> The process of groundwater nitrification, based on hydrogeological and isotope-hydrological evaluation of shallow wells and boreholes (in Hungarian)  <i>Participants:</i> 17</p> <p><b>Budapest Geothermal Day, 29 October</b>  <i>Place:</i> Ceremony Hall of the SARA Geological Survey, Hungary  <i>Organizers:</i> SARA Geological Survey, Association of Hungarian Geophysicists, Hungarian Geological Society and the Hungarian National Chapter of IAH  <i>Topic:</i> Geological, geophysical and hydrogeological research in the Budapest Thermal Karst area  <i>Participants:</i> approx. 180</p> <p>Our events are usually open to non-members, and we are happy to hold events in partnership with other organizations due to our relatively small membership.</p>

## 5. YOUR CHAPTER'S PLANS

<p>Do you have any activities or tasks planned for 2025?</p> <p>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>The Hungarian National Chapter was given the opportunity to organize the IAH 2026 conference in Budapest, so activities related to the organization and advertising of the conference will be in the focus in 2025.</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

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