

2025 CHAPTER REPORT



Each national chapter is required by [IAH Rule 8.5](#) to provide an annual report on its activities. This helps us to report the Association's activities and is published on the IAH website. 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

Your name	Rebecca Ní Chonchubhair
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Role/responsibility held in chapter	Secretary

2. YOUR CHAPTER'S INFORMATION

Is your chapter's information correct on IAH's website: https://iah.org/groups/national-chapters Please tell us of any changes now and each time a new committee is chosen.	The roll of secretary has been taken up by Rebecca Ní Chonchubhair
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.	www.iah-ireland.org Charlotte Bennet publicity@iah-ireland.org
Would you be interested in IAH hosting your chapter's website/providing support? As an example, see https://germany.iah.org/ .	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 once a year at an annual general meeting. Elected positions are typically held for four years.

3. LOCAL MEMBERSHIP

How is local membership status and trends? e.g. stable, declining, increasing.	Declining from 2021 (139) to 2024 (123) but showed an increase in 2025 (143 as of 20 th October).
What are your challenges to recruitment? e.g. volunteer time/limitation, IAH fee rates, competition from other societies, language, etc.	Unknown.

4. YOUR CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES IN 2022

Did your chapter hold an annual meeting (AGM-style)? If so, please advise: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Date and place of meeting	Our AGM was held on the 28 th October 2022 over Teams. Approx. 17 people attended.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approximate number attending 	
<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"> If you have already reported these to the IAH Secretariat, only summary information is required. If not, these please provide a summary of dates, location, number of participants, topics, etc. and how successful you felt each event was. Do you have photos we can use? Are your events open to IAH non-members? Did you hold events in partnership with others e.g. a national society, company, institution? 	<p>Annual Conference – <i>Groundwater & Geotechnics</i>. 15th – 16th April 2025 at the Tullamore Court Hotel. Approx. 150 people attended.</p> <p>Training Course – A 1-day water well drilling workshop was held on the 15th January 2025. Over 100 attended the event.</p> <p>Two in-person TDMs were held in 2025. The first was held on the 16th of September and the 2nd held on the 17th of November. The annual Burdon Lecture has been rescheduled to the annual conference in April 2026.</p> <p>Our Annual Field Trip was held on 18th – 19th October 2025. 40 people attended with the trip going to counties Mayo and Galway.</p> <p>All our events are open to non-IAH members.</p> <p>We typically have two joint-TDMs a year with the Geotechnical Society of Ireland, and the Geothermal Association of Ireland. However, these events weren't run in 2025.</p>

5. YOUR CHAPTER'S PLANS

<p>Do you have any activities or tasks planned for 2026?</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>Our Annual Conference in Ireland on the 14th -15th April 2026 will be held in person in Tullamore, Co. Offaly. The topic will be <i>Groundwater 2-35: Building Resilience for the Next Decade</i>”.</p> <p>A training course is planned for the 14th January titled Groundwater, Hydrology and Climate change to be held in person at Beggars Bush, Dublin.</p> <p>Our Annual Field Trip in Ireland will be held in Autumn. It is an in-person, 2-day event. Details to be confirmed.</p> <p>TDMs are held monthly with a mixture of online and in-person. The first hybrid event is planned for the 3rd of February.</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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