

# 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

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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: <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.	The information is correct.
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.	<a href="https://japan.iah.org/">https://japan.iah.org/</a> Contact details: Koki Kashiwaya kashiwaya.koki.8a@kyoto-u.ac.jp
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> .	Our website has already used IAH hosting. We appreciate your support.
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 Every 3 years by email. The last election was held in December 2024 for the chapter committee members in 2025-2027.

## 3. LOCAL MEMBERSHIP

How is local membership status and trends? e.g. stable, declining, increasing.	Stable or slightly increasing, 30 members.
What are your challenges to recruitment? e.g. volunteer time/limitation, IAH fee rates, competition from other societies, language, etc.	Sharing of the benefits and attractiveness of IAH membership

## 4. YOUR CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES IN 2025

Did your chapter hold an annual meeting (AGM-style)? If so, please advise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Date and place of meeting</li> </ul>	Yes. 2025 annual meeting was held by online (zoom meeting) on January 5,
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approximate number attending</li> </ul>	<p>2026. 11 members attended and 7 powers of attorney were submitted.</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>Yes, English session was co-organized twice, as a part of the meeting of a domestic academic society, the Japanese Association of Groundwater Hydrology (JAGH). These sessions were open to IAH non-members. The number of JAGH members is more than one of IAH Japan chapter, so this event is good opportunity to advertise IAH and Japan chapter.</p> <p>English session in the Spring Meeting of the Japanese Association of Groundwater Hydrology</p> <p>Date: May 31, 2025</p> <p>Place: Kitasato University (a hybrid meeting)</p> <p>Number of presentations: 4</p> <p>English session in the Fall Meeting of the Japanese Association of Groundwater Hydrology</p> <p>Date: October 16, 2025</p> <p>Place: Softopia Japan Center (a hybrid meeting)</p> <p>Number of presentations: 5</p> <p>In addition, we had a special meeting regarding the invitation of IAH Congress to Japan.</p> <p>Date: October 15, 2025</p> <p>Place: Hotel Resol Gifu (a hybrid meeting)</p> <p>Number of participants: 6 members attended and 10 powers of attorney were submitted.</p>

## 5. YOUR CHAPTER'S PLANS

Do you have any activities or tasks planned for 2026?	Yes
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<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>IAH Japan and JAGH will co-organize English session in the meeting of JAGH in May and October.</p> <p>ECHN Japan members will hold the regular online meeting with local and international students. IAH Japan will support it.</p> <p>2026 annual meeting will be held in December 2026 or January 2027. Together with this meeting, holding a special seminar is also considered.</p> <p>Japan chapter and organizing committee continue discussion and preparation for application to invite the IAH Congress 2029 to Japan.</p>
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## 6. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

<p>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</p>