

2025 CHAPTER REPORT



Hungarian National Chapter

Annual Report 2025

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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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.	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 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, our chapter has an elected committee, with elections normally held every two years. Due to the preparations for the IAH 2026 conference, elections were not conducted last year; they are planned to take place this autumn.

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.	While international visibility and events are valuable, many national hydrogeologists primarily focus on domestic professional activities.

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	Alongside their commitments within national organizations, participation in international societies may involve additional time and financial considerations, which can influence recruitment.
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4. YOUR CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES IN 2025

Did your chapter hold an annual meeting (AGM-style)? If so, please advise: • Date and place of meeting • Approximate number attending	Our chapter held several committee meetings throughout the year in connection with the organization of the 2026 IAH Conference. In addition, an online meeting was held for the entire national chapter on 28 February 2025, primarily to provide updates and discuss matters related to the conference organization. Approximately 17 attendees participated.
Did your chapter hold other events e.g. technical and scientific meetings, seminars, conferences, field visits, training events? • 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?	In 2025, the Hungarian National Chapter's primary focus was the preparation and promotion of the IAH 2026 Conference in Budapest. As a result, no separate technical or scientific meetings, seminars, or field visits were organized during the reporting period. Organizational meetings related to the conference preparation were held regularly throughout the year. The Chapter's activities were therefore concentrated on programme development, communication, sponsorship coordination, and logistical planning.

5. YOUR CHAPTER'S PLANS

Do you have any activities or tasks planned for 2026? 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	Activities related to the organization and promotion of the IAH Congress will be the main focus in 2026. This includes coordination of the scientific programme, communication, sponsorship, and logistical preparations.
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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