

IUSG Commission on Geoscience Education, Training and Technology Transfer
Commission Action Plan 2005-2006

This action plan will be undertaken in association with member and other agencies including, but not limited to, those listed in the Terms of Reference for this Commission.

Over the next year the Commission, will:

1. Develop a list of expert international contacts to provide input into Commission activities.
2. Officially invite and add additional Commission members with expertise in training and technology transfer.
3. Develop and operate a Commission web site to act as an international clearinghouse for geoscience education, training and technology transfer information to the global community. The official website may include but not be limited to information regarding conferences, training opportunities, distance learning, research, short courses, educational resources, publications, jobs, and technology.
4. Develop close links between the website and those of allied organizations such as AGU, GSA, AGI, IGO, UNESCO, AGID, IGEO, etc. to publicize and share information.
5. Assist the International Geoscience Education Organization (IGEO) in undertaking a world wide survey of the earth science perspective of school and outreach education and provide an avenue of dissemination of survey outcomes.
6. Develop and maintain contact with other agencies and local NGO's involved in earth science education, training and technology transfer activities with the aim of greater dissemination of information to a wider audience.
7. Encourage countries to participate in the Earth Science Olympiad.
8. Provide input to the organizing committee of the International Year of Planet Earth (IYPE) of potential Education, Training & Technology Transfer activities.
9. If funding is provided, play a stronger role in helping organize IUGS education, training and technology activities and events for the IYPE.

Commission Work Plan and Budget 2005/2006

Item	Date Complete	Team Leaders	Budget
Develop list of international contacts to provide input to Commission	1 Sept 2005	Alan, Chris, Ian, new member	\$0
Invitation call out to additional member(s) in training and technology transfer	27 June 2005	Alan, Gary	\$0
Develop base Commission website	30 June 2005	Greg, Wesley	\$1,000
Research and post 'clearinghouse' of information for website; Develop web delivery/format.	On-going	Greg, Wesley, new member	\$1,500
Support IGEO Education Survey	28 Feb 2006	Chris, Hans-Albert, Ian	\$2,500
Develop IYPE input – Education	1 Dec 2005	Chris, Greg, Alan, Gary	\$0
Develop IYPE input – Training, Technology Transfer	1 Dec 2005	To be announced	\$0
Maintain/coordinate synergy with other organizations	On-going	Gary, Chris, Ian, new member	\$0
Promote participation in Earth Science Olympiad	On-going	Chang-Jong	\$0
Seek IUGS grant funds for events leading IYPE	1 Dec 2005	Wesley, Gary	\$0
Organize next Commission full meeting	To be announced	Wesley, Gary	\$5,000
Totals			\$10,000