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Welcome to issue 25 of the Geological Society's e-newsletter for Chartered Fellows.

With best wishes  
Bill Gaskarth

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### **Congratulations and Welcome to the new Chartered Geologists (CGeol)**

Kim Michelle Altinkaynak	Laura Elsworth
Christopher Peter Bailey	Mario Fornaciari
Bertrand Raymond Burnet	Maxwell Joseph Foweraker
Anil Kumar Chatterji	Malcolm Thomas Graham
Oliver Chrisp	Jonathan Allan Hunt
Philip William Clare	Darren Jones
Samuel John Deeley	Marianne Hemmet McGaughy
Gianluca Dell'Elce	David Andrew Pollitt

### **Congratulations and Welcome to the new Chartered Scientists (CSci)**

Danilo Ricardo Bettosi  
Daniela Lagomarsino

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### **Company Training Schemes**

The scheme from Amey Consulting has been accredited.

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### **Annual Training Report Form**

This has been produced for use by trainees to record their activities and development (in their recording of activities and development). It was produced for use by both trainees and mentors in companies with accredited training schemes. However it is recommended for use by all trainees to provide a record of their development and as a guide for Sponsors in making their supporting report. It is also something that might be submitted alongside a Chartership application to show commitment to professional development.

[The form can be accessed here](#)

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## Next Mentoring Workshop

Mentoring workshops are aimed at Fellows who have mentoring responsibilities for early career geoscientists in their company. The workshop lasts a full day, with over 50% of the time taken up in interactive exercises, including the following;

What is a Mentor?

What makes a good geoscientist?

Basic Mentoring Skills

The mentoring process - how to structure sessions and avoid pitfalls

Mentoring demonstration and practice

12 registrations are required by 11 March or the Workshop will not be economically viable.

The next Workshop is scheduled for 26 March 2019 at Burlington House [please register online here](#)

Further information can be gained by contacting the Chartership Officer [by email](#) or by phone 07916 138 631

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## Professional Registers

At present lists of Fellows holding the CGeol, CSci and EurGeol titles can be found on the Society's web pages by going to the Fellowship Directory on the Membership and Chartership page. In order to make the information more useful and inclusive plans are afoot to allow the inclusion of more information. The new offering will be a Professional Register and will include; Title, Name, Academic and other qualifications, Date of Chartership; General Area of Expertise; Region or Country of Domicile; and Company or Organisation of employment - the last being optional. The information would be entered by the Fellow. Further details for the Register will be provided when they become available.

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## Information Presentations

PowerPoint presentations have been produced which explain what is expected of Sponsors, what Scrutineers are looking for and the Chartership application process. These are available for use by Regional Groups and companies to help with promoting Chartership, and to help with greater understanding of the Chartership procedures. A further Powerpoint, focused on the CPD system and how to develop the required CPD records, is in development. These will be 'live' documents so suggestions for improvement are welcome. These are not meant to replace visits to companies and Regional Groups by the Chartership Officer.

For further information and copies of the presentations contact the Chartership Officer.

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## Chartered Geologists Retired - Update

Following a number of queries from Fellows and for the avoidance of doubt, a note regarding fully retired

Chartered Geologists seems to be overdue. Firstly, by retirement, we mean that no professional work of any kind is being undertaken, whether it is paid or unpaid work, in the form of teaching, scrutineering, geological consultancy and advice, or any other full time or part time commissions.

As from 2019, CGeol, FGS will be considered as a lifetime achievement and it will not be necessary to surrender the title, provided the geologist remains an FGS. Concomitantly, it will no longer be mandatory for fully retired Chartered Geologists to do CPD. Although most people will probably continue to take an interest in various matters geological, it will not be necessary to plan, record and reflect on the year's CPD, or for it to be audited.

Finally, subject to ratification at the next AGM (June 2019), it has now been agreed by the Chartership Committee, Professional Committee and by Council that the annual registration fee for fully retired CGeols will cease as from the 2020 subscription year. However, any fully retired Fellow who has resigned his or her Chartership, but then wishes to be reinstated in 2020 onwards, will be required to pay a one-off re-registration fee.

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## **Chartered Fellows' CPD for 2017 and 2018**

As I am sure that every Chartered Fellow knows, with the introduction of the new Continuing Professional Development (CPD) system at the beginning of 2017, it became mandatory for all Chartered Geologists who are not fully retired - see the above update notice - to undertake and record planned reflective CPD. As a reminder, CPD is also mandatory for all Chartered Scientists and those holding the EurGeol title. This means simply that if you did not undertake compliant CPD or cannot produce a CPD record for the year in question, without acceptable extenuating circumstances, as set out in the Regulation R/FP/13 - CPD, there is a very serious risk that you will have your Chartership status removed.

In February last year, a SurveyMonkey request was issued asking all Chartered Geologists and Scientists to respond by simply confirming that they had completed their CPD for 2017. Yet there is an alarming number of Chartered Fellows who have still not made their declaration, from which a small percentage will be selected for audit. As the 2017 CPD year was the first under the new system, and because the online recording of CPD has only now been reinstated, the Society will be sending a letter requesting a CPD declaration from those who have yet to comply.

For 2018 the CPD declaration will be requested via an email and MyGSL. This article is intended as a reminder to all Chartered Fellows that CPD is mandatory, unless they are fully retired; and that failure to comply may result in their Chartership being withdrawn. Initially you either upload your CPD record to your personal MyGSL, or tick a box against the question asking if you have completed your CPD for 2018. The next stage will be the random selection of about 3% to submit their records for audit.

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## **Web Site changes**

The Society's MyGSL login is now operational and applications for Chartership and CPD recording may now be made on-line.

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## **Useful contact information and links**

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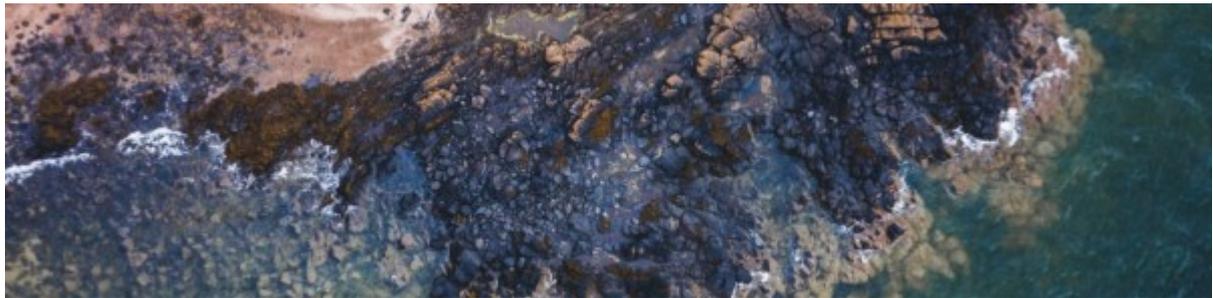
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