

**New Chartered Geologists and Chartered Scientists.**

**CGeol.**

Thomas Ader	Giovanni Aquilina	Davide Baldini
Alexander Beever	Gareth Burdell	Riccardo Cerri
Ada Crottini	Alexander Crow	Simon Eden
James Ferrari	Timothy Ferriday	Jemima French
Erika Gentile	Owen George	Luca Gioacchini
Dan Glazier	Maria Hartford-Beynon	James Howard
Kristian Lomas	Kira Markham	Mauro Della Martera
Justin Morton	David Moy	Vincenzo Ragone
Dan Senkans	Athina Simon	Michael Tracy
Imtiaz Ali Ujjan	Charlotte Wakefield	Kirsty Walker
Xiaoyang Wu	Colin Kai Wing Yeung	

**CGeol by reciprocity with the AAPG**

Timothy Tylor-Jones

**CSci**

Thomas Ader	Simon Eden	Maurizio Ferla
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**RoGEP news.**

This Register of Ground Engineering Professionals (RoGEP) was founded in 2011 jointly by the ICE, Geological Society and the IMMM. It is a competency register and offers a clear progression route from Professional Grade to Specialist Grade and then to Adviser Grade. Eligibility for entrance onto the Register for those GSL Fellows with the appropriate knowledge and experience starts at CGeol. RoGEP membership assures clients and the public at large that the member's technical expertise has been independently peer assessed and that they are maintaining their competence through following and recording a programme of appropriate CPD.

The Register has reached the milestone of 500 registrants of which 194 are CGeols.

Fellows with the appropriate knowledge and experience may apply for registration by going to [registers@ice.org.uk](mailto:registers@ice.org.uk)

## **Mentoring Workshop**

Another successful workshop with 15 participants took place at Burlington House on February 5<sup>th</sup>. I have had enquiries about the possibility of another in Manchester later in the year. Possible dates are sometime in either June or September. I will be advertising this again in Geoscientist but would be grateful if anyone interested will contact me so that I might judge the likely number of participants.

## **Accreditation of Company Training Schemes**

WYG has now had its training scheme accredited.

ESG training scheme has been reviewed and we await final amendments before it also will be accredited.

Southern Testing has submitted its scheme for accreditation and a review panel is being set up.

Amey has contacted us and will be submitting their scheme shortly.

## **Chartered Engineer progress of application for a licence**

We have submitted virtually all of the documentation required by the Engineering Council and await their comments and advice on how we may need to finalise these. The EC has a meeting this month from which we hope to get the necessary advice for us to complete the application.

Once we have this and made a final submission then our application will be assessed by the EC at a meeting in May/June.

In anticipation of a positive outcome we now need to get all of our procedures in order.

These include;

- Invitation to Fellows who hold both CGeol and CEng, who have offered to help with the assessment process, to train to become Scrutineers and also some for an Eligibility Assessment Panel.
- Organisation and running of training sessions for the above in London and in other centres where we will have Scrutineers. Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham and Cardiff/Bristol re possibilities.
- The Production of Guidances for Applicants, Scrutineers and Eligibility Panel members.

We have a list of Fellows who have expressed an interest in applying for CEng and once we have the licence then we will be looking to invite applications. Hopefully the first group will be invited by July.

Obviously, all of this is dependent on success of our application and the final approval by GSL Council.

Further information will be provided in later Newsletters.

## **Distinguished Geologists' Memorial Trust Bursaries**

Two awards of £2000 each are available for early career Fellows, particularly those in industry, who are aiming to apply for Chartership or have recently been Chartered. They are to help with professional development by contributing to travel costs in order to gain experience. Information and application forms can be found on the Society's web site by going to *About Us* and then *Awards, Grants and Bursaries*.

## **Scrutineers.**

We have had a number of new Scrutineers join the Panel to help with Chartership Interviews and there is always a need for more. I hope to contact those Fellows who have Sponsored Applicants and who are not yet Scrutineers to encourage them to help. We have not had any Scrutineers' Training Days recently so I will be looking to set up some this year, perhaps in May/June so as not to clash with school, and other, holidays. In order to defray travel expenses I am looking to see if we might hold them in London, Manchester and possibly Birmingham, Cardiff/Bristol or Leeds if there is sufficient interest. Dates will be advertised in the next Newsletter which will be in early April.

## **Retention of CGeol in Retirement.**

In response to a number of queries it has been agreed that fully retired Fellows may retain their CGeol and not be required to do CPD so long as they do not use it professionally. This does not apply to CSci where the Science Council does not allow its retention. Discussion is ongoing with regard to a possible reduced fee for retention.

## **CPD Clarification.**

A Fellow in full-time employment is expected to complete and record at least 90 hours of CPD each year and this to be spread across the listed categories as follows;

- Of the 90 hours at least 30 must be in the On the Job category. It is implicit in this that these cover career development and work-associated skills;
- A further 30 hours minimum must be accumulated in career development and work-associated skills enhancement in one or more of the other categories;
- Additional hours in one or more other categories need not be directly focused on career development etc and may be wide-ranging in content from broadening overall geological knowledge to learning a language or IT or Business skills to serving on GSL committees and numerous other professional activities.

There has been some misunderstanding of the On the Job category with some people recording simply the number of hours worked (on the job). The category is not about this but it is only the learning achieved at work where you add something to your repertoire of experience, knowledge and skills set that should be recorded.

## **CSci and the new Contaminated Land Specialist Group.**

This Group is presently rewriting the Chartership Guidance for Geoscientists specialising in contaminated land. This particular group of geoscientists may well be eligible to apply for both CGeol and CSci: however many will be working in areas where their work is more associated with other sciences though with a geological input and for them CSci is the right qualification. These people are still geologists and the Society is keen to retain them in the GSL family and to help with their professional development. It is important to recognise that CSci has equal ranking/status to CGeol and equal rigour is applied to its assessment. We offer it as a service to Fellows whose work has moved them away from mainstream geology to varying extents.

The new Contaminated Land Specialist Group's formation within the Society speaks to the importance the Society places on such Fellows.