



## Geological Society of London Higher Education Network Annual Meeting 2015: Sharing Educational Practice in the Geosciences

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> January 2015

**Venue:** Plymouth University

**Keynotes:** Brett Gilley, University of British Columbia (Vancouver); Roddy Muir, Midland Valley Exploration

Plymouth University will be hosting the next HEN Annual Meeting, which has a general theme of **Sharing Educational Practice in the Geosciences**. This meeting aims to provide a forum for lively, informed debate between teachers, students, practitioners, employers and other stakeholders on higher education practice in the GEES disciplines. We welcome contributions on any aspect of GEES higher education, including:

- discussions and demonstrations of new technologies
- fresh approaches to teaching and learning
- evaluations and examinations of existing pedagogy
- insights from teaching experiences
- reports on, and feedback from, ongoing projects
- innovative solutions for teaching in a shifting educational climate

Our schedule will also be graced by the **HEN AGM**, to which all delegates are cordially invited.

The conference will be followed by a one-day workshop on the broad theme of “**E-games and virtual worlds: golden egg or wild GEES chase?**” facilitated by [Dr Jamie Pringle](#) (Keele University). This interactive event will explore the potential for these emerging technologies in geoscience education through a combination of discussion, show-and-tell, and demonstrations, and form the basis for a Special Issue of [Geology Today](#).

We invite contributions to both the Annual Meeting and the post-meeting workshop. Please submit a short abstract (~150-200 words) via our [online submission form](#) or by email to [Dr Alison Stokes](#) indicating your preferred method of presentation. Oral and poster presentations are open for both events – participants can also opt to run a demonstration or show-and-tell activity at the workshop. **Deadline for submission: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014.**

### Registration

You can register for these events, and book accommodation, via the [Plymouth University eStore](#). Registration opens on **6<sup>th</sup> October 2014**, and fees are £30 per day, £10 for students. For more details, visit the [HEN coop](#), or contact [Dr Alison Stokes](#) (01752 584889). There is some support available for students to attend this event: please enquire by email to [alison.stokes@plymouth.ac.uk](mailto:alison.stokes@plymouth.ac.uk).