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Dear IAS member,

As 2018 draws to a close, the Bureau of the IAS wishes all of our Members a restive Festive Season and a productive start to 2019. As is traditional at this time of year, we are happy to announce and congratulate the awardees from our latest round of grant awards as well as the winner of the Richard W. Faas Research Prize. Following the recent IAS Bureau meeting, we are also delighted to announce IAS sponsorship for student travel to a number of new meetings and workshops. Please invest 5 minutes reading through the messages below.

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On behalf of the IAS Bureau,
Stephen Lokier

General Secretary

- **Winner of the 2019 Richard W. Faas Prize**

We are delighted to announce that the winner of the 2019 Richard W. Faas Prize is **Megan Baker** from the School of Ocean Sciences at Bangor University, UK. The Dr. Richard Faas Research Prize is awarded to recognise outstanding work in the field of marine sedimentology and particularly research dealing with fine-grained marine and estuarine sediments. Megan will be awarded the prize during the **2019 Rome International Meeting of Sedimentology** where she will also present a keynote lecture on her pioneering work with fine-grained sediments.

- **Call for applications to join the IAS Early Career Scientists Committee**

The IAS Early Career Scientists Committee (ECSC) is seeking new members! To apply, send a letter of introduction and a 2-page CV to **Tracy Frank** (tfrank2@unl.edu) by February 28, 2019.

The **Early Career Scientists Committee** (ECSC) comprises early career scientists who represent the upcoming generation of sedimentologists, ensuring that their voice is heard in the IAS. An Early Career Scientist (ECS) is a scientist with no more than 7 years of full-time experience since completing their Ph.D. (excluding periods of parental or other care leave). ECSC members are active in sedimentological research as demonstrated by their publication record (minimum 3 research articles in peer-reviewed publications). The committee organizes activities for ECSs at IAS meetings and oversees the **Post-Doctoral Grants Scheme**.

- **More New IAS National Correspondents**

We are delighted to announce that the pool of IAS National Correspondents has continued to increase, the **updated list can be found here**.

Our National Correspondents are IAS Members who have volunteered to act as a representative between sedimentologists in their host country and the IAS. If you know of any sedimentology events going on in your country, then please get in touch with your National Correspondent and let them know. Similarly, if your country lacks a National Correspondent and you would like to propose an IAS Member for this position then please send an email to the **General Secretary**.

- **Membership renewal – amazing value for money!**

Being a Member of the IAS brings a wide range of **benefits** and offers amazing value for money.

We are delighted that membership fees for 2019 remains at only **€25 for full members** (or €20 if you renew for 5 years at once) and **€10 for student members**. Please check our **Membership Benefits page** to discover all of the advantages of membership.

You can **renew your membership quickly and safely on the IAS website** (after log in).

As we approach the end of the year we shall be tidying up email lists and would not want to lose contact with you! Don't risk missing out on the fantastic benefits

of membership of the IAS, renew today!

- **New Year – New Profile**

Take advantage of the Festive Season to update your IAS Member Profile. Your profile is a valuable tool for your fellow Sedimentologists to find out about your research interests and recent activities. Early Career Scientists, your profile is a great place to advertise yourself to prospective employers – show off your research and communication skills. You can [update your profile here](#).

- **IAS Sponsored Sessions at the EGU**

The IAS is sponsoring eight sessions at the 2019 EGU General Assembly in Vienna. This year we are particularly proud to announce that the Jean Baptiste Lamarck Medal Lecture, by Isabel P. Montañez, will be presented during the IAS–co–sponsored session SSP2.9 – Carbonate sedimentary systems through space and time.

Full details of all of the sessions co–sponsored by the IAS can be found [here](#). The closing date for abstract submissions is 10th January.

- **The 2019 IAS Special Lecture Tour – We shall be in touch soon**

We had an unprecedented response to the 2019 IAS Special Lecture Tour. This is hardly surprising given the wide–ranging choice of six presentations by three global leaders in the field of Sedimentology – Rachel Wood, Christopher Fielding and Adrian Immenhauser. Those who applied to host a lecture will be contracted in the New Year in order to confirm dates and other arrangements. If you missed out to request hosting a lecture this year then keep an eye on the IAS Newsletter and Social Media to avoid disappointment on the next call!

- **The 34th IAS International Meeting of Sedimentology, Rome, Italy**

Put the date in your diary – **Early Bird registration opens on the 31st of December**

The **34th IAS International Meeting of Sedimentology** will take place in **Rome (Italy)** between the **10th – 13th September 2019**. The theme of the meeting, ‘Sedimentology to face societal challenges on risk, resources and record of the past’, reflects a desire to discuss, compare and promote research in the context of societal changes from the perspective of Sedimentology and Sedimentary Geology.

Details of the meeting are available [here](#) or on the [IAS website](#).

- **New Meeting and Fieldtrip reports available on the IAS web site**

Members can now access Meeting and Field trip reports via the [Find Content](#) link on their profile page. Simply click on the new ‘Meeting / Field Trip Reports’ tab to read reports from the latest IAS sponsored events.

- **We have seven new Grant Reports available on the IAS web site**

You can read the Reports from IAS members who have received Post-Doctoral or Post-Graduate grants [here](#). Simply click on the 'Grant Reports' tab at the top of the page.

The latest reports are:

- BEBHINN ANDERS– Linking and Sediment Architecture and Sediment Source in the North West Carboniferous Basin
 - LAURA TOMASSETTI – Temperate vs tropical seagrasses: learning from the Modern to understand the past seagrass environments. (Postdoctoral Grant Report)
 - DANIEL COLLINS – Sedimentological, stratigraphic and geomorphological evolution of mangrove- influenced deposition in the northern Mekong River delta, Vietnam
 - EVA MENCIN GALE – Genesis, provenance and geochronology of clastic sediments as geological record of environmental changes at the transition from Pliocene to Quaternary in Velenje Basin (NE Slovenia)
 - CLAUDIO ARGENTINO – A deep fluid source of radiogenic Sr and highly dynamic seepage conditions recorded in Miocene seep carbonates of the northern Apennines (Italy)
 - ARDIANSYAH KOESHIDAYATULLAH – Impact of Multistage Fault-Controlled Dolomitisation on the Geometry and Patterns of Dolostone-Limestone Transition
 - LAURA QUICK – Sediment dynamics of the Himalayan foreland basin from the Neogene to present times
- **Awardees for IAS Post-Doctoral Research Grants (Autumn 2018 Session)**

The standard of submitted proposals for the [IAS Post-Doctoral Research Grants](#) continues to rise. These grants are intended as a seed to assist early-career post-doctoral researchers in either establishing a proof of concept, in order to support applications to national research funding bodies, or to fund areas of a project that were not included in the original project scope.

Following much deliberation, the Award Committee are pleased to announce the Awardees are:

- David Amblas, Dense shelf water cascades and sediment transport (DENSED)
 - Jiaying Wu, Unraveling Holocene thermal variability in the glacial highlands of Costa Rica: Evidence from the stable oxygen isotope ($\delta^{18}O$) signatures of subfossil chironomid remains
 - Emilia Jarochowska, Central Asian record of the late Ordovician glacioeustatic cycles
 - Angelo Cipriani, Sedimentology of Jurassic calciclastic deposits: role of inherited submarine topography on facies distribution and dispersal patterns
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The standard of applications for the **IAS Post-Graduate Grants** was so high that, at the recommendation of the Award Committee, the number of awards for this session was raised from 10 to 15! This grant scheme aims to support PhD students in their studies and research. **Post-Graduate Research Grants** can be used to (co-)finance fieldwork, acquisition and analysis of data, visits to other institutes to use specialized facilities, etc. The Autumn 2018 Awardees are:

- Jesse Zondervan, University of Plymouth, UK
- Kévin Boulesteix, University of Manchester, UK
- Carla Santamans, National University of Cordoba, Argentina
- Marcus Soares, University of Campinas, Brazil
- Stergios Zarkogiannis, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Renata Coppo, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina
- Manuel Paez, University of Houston, USA
- Ru Wang, University of Leeds, UK
- Brennan O'Connell, University of Melbourne, Australia
- Carisa Sarchi, National University of Salta, Argentina
- Sabrina Lizzoli, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina
- Giovanni Pio Liberato, University of Siena, Italy
- Kristina Butler, University of Texas–Austin, USA
- Pim Kaskes, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium
- Rim Zrida, Tunis El Manar University, Tunisia

- **CALL for applications for Institutional Grants (Spring 2019 Session)**

Twice a year, IAS awards an **Institutional Grant** of maximum 10,000 Euro, which is intended to support capacity building initiatives in less developed countries (LDCs). Grants will allow earth science departments in LDCs to acquire durable sedimentological equipment for teaching and research, or tools that can be used by all geology students. The grant application should thus clearly demonstrate how the grant will increase the recipient's capacity to teach sedimentology at undergraduate level in a sustainable way.

Applications have to be submitted via the **IAS website**. Application deadline for the Spring 2019 Session is **31st March 2019**.

More information about the Institutional Grant Scheme and guidelines on how to apply can be found **here**.

- **Travel grants for IAS Student Members**

Student members of the IAS are able to apply for travel grants for the following meetings:

- BSRG postgraduate workshop: — "Palynological Applications to

Sedimentology" (7–9 February 2019, Aberdeen, United Kingdom)

- EGU General Assembly 2019 (7–12 April 2019, Vienna, Austria)
- 16th International Meeting of Carbonate Sedimentologists — "Bathurst Meeting" (9–11 July 2019, Palma de Mallorca, Spain)
- 34th IAS Meeting of Sedimentology — "Sedimentology - to face societal challenges on risk, resources and record of the past" (Rome, Italy; 10–13 September 2019)

All travel grants are also listed on the website in the [members-only Events Timeline](#). The listings include the option for downloading the deadline in your calendar.

Application rules and eligibility criteria for IAS Student Travel Grants:

- Applicants must be active IAS Student Members at the time of submitting a travel grant application;
- Applicants can apply for a travel grant twice per calendar year: once for an IAS meeting (IMS or ISC) and once for any other IAS-sponsored meeting;
- Applicants must have an active and approved (oral or poster) presentation at the meeting (unless the meeting format does not include oral or poster presentations), on a topic of sedimentological relevance.

• Meetings with IAS support

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• Call for manuscripts for Open Access Journal "The Depositional Record"

"The Depositional Record – A journal of biological, physical and geochemical sedimentary processes" is IAS's **Open Access Journal**. It covers all timescales, from Ancient to Modern Earth, and welcomes articles from across the field of sedimentology, and in particular articles dealing with paleoclimate, changes in the chemical environment, ocean acidification, extra-terrestrial sedimentology, and the application of genetic methods to understanding sedimentological processes.

The journal is now collecting manuscripts for Volume 4. All papers are freely accessible to everyone [here](#). For more information, please visit the [journal website](#) and the [manuscript submission page](#) on ScholarOne.

Article Processing Charges (APC) will be covered by IAS until the journal has

received an impact factor.

- **News from our journals**

For a quick overview of the latest issues of **Sedimentology**, **Basin Research** and **The Depositional Record**, follow these links:

- **Sedimentology**: directly at **Wiley** or via the **IAS website** (after login) for member access
- **Basin Research**: directly at **Wiley** or via the **IAS website** (after login) for member access
- **The Depositional Record**: directly at **Wiley** or via the **IAS website**

You can also keep track of all newly published articles on the continuously updated **members-only News Timeline** on the new IAS website.

- **The IAS on Facebook and on Twitter**

The IAS is very active on **Facebook** and **Twitter**. Follow us **@sedimentology** to keep up to date with all things sedimentological.

- **Job adverts**

You can find more information about recent job adverts on our **members-only Job Offers Timeline**.

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