

Geochemical Society

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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2024

Geochemical Society members can renew quickly and securely on the GS website: www.geochemsoc.org. Renew by 31 December 2023 to enjoy uninterrupted access to *Elements, Geochemical News,* and registration discounts to Goldschmidt2024 in Chicago and to other conferences. You can also choose a two-year membership option to save time and money.

A reduced professional rate of \$15 is available to scientists from countries classified by the World Bank as having low-income or lower-middle-income economies. Visit geochemsoc.org/membership/join to learn more about which countries qualify. Students from qualifying countries may apply for free memberships through the Introductory Student Membership Program.

The society also offers a life member option that eliminates the need to renew altogether. The current life membership rate can be calculated as (70 minus your current age) times \$35 USD, with a minimum rate of \$175 for those over the age of 65. For scientists in countries with low and lower-middle income economies, the formula is (70 minus your current age) times \$15 USD, with a minimum rate of \$75 for those over the age of 65.

2024 Dues Rates	1-Year	2-Year Membership
Professional: High and Upper-middle Income Economies	\$40	\$75
Professional: Low and Lower-middle Income Economies	\$15	\$25
Senior	\$20	\$35
Student	\$15	\$25

GS Introductory Student Memberships

To increase student participation, the GS grants free memberships to students in countries that are under-represented in the society. This includes most countries in Africa, Asia (excluding China, Japan, and South Korea), and Central and South America. Introductory Student Memberships offer benefits including print and online subscriptions to *Elements*, the weekly *Geochemical News* email, and discounted registration rates for the Goldschmidt Conference and other scientific meetings. More information is available at www.geochemsoc.org/programs/ism.

NEW AFFILIATE CATEGORY

Membership in the society has traditionally been reserved for those actively working in or pursuing advanced degrees in geochemistry and related disciplines. The GS board recently approved a new affiliate category that opens many of the society's benefits to interested persons who are not geochemists. Anyone interested in geochemistry may join as an affiliate to receive the society's publications, including the weekly *Geochemical News* email and a print or online subscription to *Elements* magazine. Let your friends and students know about this new option!

GS AND EAG ANNOUNCE GOLDSCHMIDT2026 IN MONTREAL

The Geochemical Society and the European Association of Geochemistry will hold the 2026 Goldschmidt Conference on July 12–17, 2026 in Montréal, Québec, Canada. The meeting venue will be the Palais des Congrès de Montréal in the center of the city.

WATCH THE 2023 GS AWARD LECTURES

Several award lectures presented at this year's Goldschmidt Conference are now available on YouTube. Roberta Rudnick's Goldschmidt Award talk was titled, "Temporal evolution of the upper continental crust from glacial diamictites: evidence for co-evolving crustal and atmospheric compositions." Shucheng Xie presented the Treibs Award lecture, "Organic records for progressive ecosystem collapse leading to the largest biotic crisis in the Phanerozoic." Sarah Aarons gave the Clarke Award lecture, "Unraveling processes responsible for early Earth crustal generation using stable titanium isotopes." Find all of them at youtube.com/goldschmidtconf.



Prof. Shucheng Xie presented the Alfred Treibs Award Lecture during the Goldschmidt Conference in July.

GS ADOPTS BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

In July, the GS board of directors approved a number of amendments to the society's bylaws, which govern the rights and responsibilities of the members and officers of the organization. Last amended in 2017, some sections of bylaws had become outdated. The amendments include provisions that:

- Update the responsibilities of officers, such as the president, vice president, and secretary to accurately reflect the duties of those positions;
- Add the option for meetings of the board and the membership to be held virtually (online);
- Add references to early career directors, who are elected to the board for two-year terms;
- Remove specific tasks of various society committees (these were moved to a policy manual that can be more easily updated to reflect the current needs and responsibilities of the committees);
- Update legal language in indemnification provisions and relating to Texas laws governing nonprofit corporations (the GS is incorporated in Texas).

The full text of the bylaws can be found at www.geochemsoc.org/about/governance.



Goldschmidt2024: Chicago and Online

Mark your calendar for Goldschmidt2024 in Chicago! The call for abstracts opens in early January; the deadline is 29 March 2024.

ELEMENTS OCTOBER 2023