



International Association on the Genesis of Ore Deposits

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome to all long-term and new IAGOD members. Since becoming president in 2024, during IAGOD's 60th anniversary year, it has been an honour to lead an organization that has bridged Eastern and Western ore geologists during and after the Cold War. As an affiliate of the International Union of Geological Sciences, IAGOD promotes global collaboration and scientific exchange across continents and political divides, a mission that remains important today.

A major focus of this presidency has been preparing the 16th Quadrennial Symposium in Porto, Portugal (August 30–September 2, 2026). The symposium theme, “The Role of Geoscience in the Energy Transition,” reflects the growing importance of critical raw materials and ore geology research. The meeting will provide opportunities to learn from experts, explore advances in mineral resource exploration, and reconnect in person while honouring our life members and Kutina-Smirnov medal recipients.

Beyond Porto, IAGOD aims to strengthen its commissions, specialist, and national groups, encourage collaborative research, and expand international networks. Like many scientific societies, we face challenges in attracting and retaining younger members. We therefore want to create more flexible, low-barrier opportunities for students and early-career professionals to contribute through short-term roles and initiatives.

The Porto symposium is also a step toward our participation in the 38th International Geological Congress in Calgary, Canada, in 2028. The theme “Geosciences for Humanity” aligns well with IAGOD's objectives, and members are encouraged to lead ore deposit sessions and ensure our field remains at the forefront of global geoscience discussions.

Organizing the Porto symposium at the Faculty of Sciences, University of Porto—my alma mater—has been a rewarding multi-year effort involving contributors across many institutions and time zones. I am deeply grateful to everyone who helped make this event possible and thankful for the trust and support of the international geoscience community. I look forward to welcoming you all to Porto.

Tânia Martins, IAGOD President

PUBLISH IN ORE GEOLOGY REVIEWS WITH 20% DISCOUNT

We are pleased to announce that IAGOD members are now eligible for a 20% discount on the article processing charges (APC) in our flagship society journal, *Ore Geology Reviews*, published by Elsevier. The Open Access journal is dedicated to advances in ore deposit research and exploration. It publishes articles on ore geology in its widest sense, including metalliferous and industrial mineral deposits, economic geology, mineral economics, mineralogy, petrology, metallogeny, environmental geology, and studies of specific deposits and regions.



Canada is hosting the:

International Geological Congress (IGC) 2028
“Geosciences for Humanity”

12–20 August 2028



IN MEMORIAM: PROF. RICHARD HAGNI (1931–2026)



We were saddened to learn about the passing of Professor Richard Davis Hagni on February 10, 2026. Richard (Dick) Hagni held an Honorary Life Membership for his services to IAGOD. Dick was a champion of the importance of primary observation in understanding ore formation and beneficiation. He was an authority on the lead-zinc-fluorite mineral systems of the Tri-State Mining District and Viburnum Trend (USA) and Okorusu (Namibia). He was an absolutely superb mineralogist, especially as a leading expert in opaque minerals and process mineralogy. His Ore.ID computer program was a landmark effort to help professionals and students identify opaque minerals.

Dick served several terms on the IAGOD Executive Council and was long-standing chairman of the Paragenesis Commission (PaC). He was Chief Editor of the Proceedings of the 9th Quadrennial IAGOD Symposium (Beijing, China, 1994), which included 49 full-length papers and was published in the IAGOD Proceedings Series by Schweizerbart in 1998. His dedication, engagement, and commitment since the 1960s has been essential in developing IAGOD into a leading international community for ore research.

Dick received his BS and MS degrees from Michigan State University, and his PhD from the University of Missouri (1962), both in the USA. He taught geology at Missouri University of Science and Technology (MS&T) from 1956 until his retirement in 2000. He was named Gulf Oil Professor in 1984 and Distinguished Curators' Professor of Geology in 1999 in recognition of his research. During his career, he visited over 500 mines and built an impressive collection of ore specimens for teaching and research. He served as chairman of the Department of Geology and Geophysics from 1985 to 2000. After retirement, he continued to conduct research, present papers at professional meetings, and publish papers. Dick has published 24 book chapters and books, 200 papers, and given 395 scholarly presentations at geological meetings. He taught short courses in ore microscopy at MS&T, South Africa, Brazil, and Turkey. He served for a long time as chairman of the Applied Mineralogy Commission (CAM) of the International Mineralogical Association (IMA).

Dick was known for his humility and kindness and was a much loved member of our community. He was generous with his time and always willing to help fellow geologists. He was an inspiration to many young students and professionals in the field of ore deposits. He will be sorely missed by us all.