

IASPEI Commission on Education & Outreach

Minutes: Meeting Lisbon, 1 September 2025, 12:45 – 13:30

The Commission Chair Raju SARKAR (India) and the Commission Co-Chair Aaron VELASCO (USA) could not participate and were excused.

Interims meeting Chair: Johannes SCHWEITZER as IASPEI Secretary General

Participants: Babak HEJRANI (Australia), Sima MOUSAVI (Australia), Michelle Grobbelaar (IASPEI President, Austria), Helmut Hausmann (Austria), Christine THOMAS (Germany), Johannes SCHWEITZER (IASPEI Secretary General, Norway), Makoto OKUBO (Japan), Vunganai MIDZI (South Africa)

The participants discussed several ideas regarding better Education and Outreach:

- IASPEI needs more presence in social media. At this moment only the IASPEI ECSs Group is there present. Michelle will discuss with ECSs during the evening ECSs event.
- The Commission webpage needs a general update.
- On the webpage of the Commission a link to the ECSs webpage should be added.
- Also links to other Outreach websites (USGS, etc.) and of national societies could be added to the Commission page.
- Target of the Commission: Education for people inside of IASPEI & Outreach for laymen.
- Internet full of wrong contents related to Seismology: need for correction and control.
- Ideas for the IASPEI School for ECSs before the IUGG in Incheon, South Korea: machine learning (ML), benchmarking of ML, comparing results of ML applications, methods for the analysis of big events.
- 29 April the new UN Day for Memorial of Victims of Earthquakes: Michelle Grobbelaar will prepare an IASPEI Resolution that the community takes the opportunity to use this day for Outreach activities. Should IASPEI prepare a video which could be used as support?
- Xyoli Pérez-Campos (Mexico) cannot be longer act as Commission Co-Chair. Sima Mousavi (ANU, Australia) is new Co-Chair of the Commission.

Johannes Schweitzer