

CLOSING PLENARY

IASPEI 2009

Cape Town, South Africa

Agenda

- 1) President's Welcome
- 2) Secretary General's Report
- 3) Association Activities
- 4) Financial statement
- 5) Future Activities and Assemblies
- 6) Resolutions
- 7) Close of Plenary

1 President's Welcome

Presidential Welcome

- **On behalf of IASPEI Bureau, I would like to express our sincere thanks to our friends of LOC for the successful organization of this Assembly.**
- **I would like to thank our session conveners, commissioners, working group leaders, especially keynote speakers, whose contribution made the Assembly fruitful.**
- **I would like to thank all of you for your participation in this memorable Assembly – I know that some of you are from very remote places, most of you are from another hemisphere.**

Presidential Welcome

- Especially, we would like to extend our thanks to our African colleagues – we hope and believe that seismology in Africa will have more and more contributions not only to regional sustainability but also to global geo-science.
- We are looking forward to meeting you in Melbourne in 2011.
- We hope you to have a pleasant trip back home.

2 Secretary General's Report

- Bureau meetings:
 - 2007 Perugia
 - 2008 Vienna
 - 2009 Cape Town
- Executive Committee meetings:
 - 2007 Perugia
 - 2009 Cape Town

Business meetings during the assembly

Sunday

Bureau and Executive meetings

Monday

Opening plenary

Tuesday

Executive meeting

Thursday

Executive meeting with Commission chairs

Friday

Closing plenary

IASPEI Commissions and IASPEI sponsored bodies
also have conducted business meetings during the
Assembly

Report on Assembly statistics

- Number of sessions: 32
- Number of oral talks: 335
- Number of posters: 106
- Number of countries: 60
- Number of participants: 347
- People sponsored: 83
- Summer school students: 27

Report on Assembly statistics

Participation (≥ 10) by country

South Africa	51
USA	34
Japan	28
China	20
UK	20
Russian Fed.	18
Germany	17
Italy	17
Austria	10
Algeria	10

3 Short activity report 2007-2008

31th European Seismological Commission General Assembly, September, 3-7, 2008, Hersonissos, Crete Island, Greece

7th Asian Seismological Commission General Assembly (held jointly with the Seismological Society of Japan 2008 Fall meeting), November, 24-27, 2008, Tsukuba, Japan

JW with IAEE on International Alliance of Seismological and Earthquake Engineering Professional Associations established at 14th WCEE, Beijing, October 16, 2008

Seismoarchives Project

Sponsoring of 5 other meetings

3 Short activity report 2007-2008

- **IASPEI Newsletter** - IASPEI uses this system to broadcast announcements about forthcoming meetings and other information of interest to IASPEI members. It has been significantly improved in appearance last year, also with the help of Alice Walker.
- **IASPEI Home Page** - IASPEI continues development of its Home Page on the WorldWideWeb which contains organizational information, Commissions webpages, meeting announcements, useful links and other information of interest to IASPEI scientists.

<http://www.iaspei.org/>

Alice Walker, the webmaster, urges all of you to contribute with information, news. Check it regularly!

Distribution of **IASPEI publications** to institutions in developing countries is still underway, e-mail Sec-General:

- International Handbook of Earthquake and Engineering Seismology
- IASPEI Manual of Seismological Observatory Practice

4 Financial statement 2007-2008

2007 Final Budget

Accounts kept in US Dollars

Income		Expenditures	
1. IUGG Allocation	\$ 33,447.00	1. Admin/Bureau Travel	18,085.14
2. IUGG Surcharge	\$ 14,820.00	2. Projects/Activities	6,000.00
3. IUGG Grants	0	3. Assemblies*	2,560.00
4. UNESCO	0	4. Inter-Ass. Activities	0
5. Publications/Misc	\$ 7,010.00	5. 2007 Reserve (from 2006)	1,803.73
6. 2006 Carryover	\$ <u>5,926.23</u>	6. 2007 Carryover	14,284.36
		2007 Receivable 2008	<u>28,470.00</u>
Totals	\$61,203.23		\$ 61,203.23
2006 Carryover Reserve	\$53,872.72	2007 Carryover Reserve	\$ 55,676.45

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Income

1. IUGG Allocation	34,950.00
2. IUGG Perugia 2007	28,470.00
3. IUGG Grants	0
4. UNESCO	0
5. Publications/Misc	6,178.46
6. 2007 Carryover	<u>14,284.36</u>

Totals \$ **83,882.82**

2007 Carryover Reserve \$55,676.45

Expenditures

1. Admin/Bureau Travel	10,344.60
2. Projects/Activities	13,675.68
3. Assemblies	30,500.00
4. Inter-Ass. Activities	0
5. 2008 Reserve	2,749.41
6. 2008 Carryover	<u>26,613.13</u>

\$ **83,882.82**

2008 Carryover Reserve \$ 58,425.86

5 FUTURE IASPEI ACTIVITIES and ASSEMBLIES

- 2010 ASC GA in Hanoi (Vietnam)
November 8-11
- 2010 ESC GA in Montpellier (France)
September 4-9
- 2011 IUGG/IASPEI GA in Melbourne
(Australia)
June 27 - July 8

2013 IASPEI GA INVITATIONS OPEN !

6 RESOLUTIONS

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Resolution 1: Global Earthquake Model

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RECOGNIZING the continuing growth of earthquake vulnerability and risk, associated in particular with the development of megacities and urban areas in developing countries, and

the important value of the information and knowledge assembled by the seismological community for the assessment of seismic hazard, the need to apply the seismological knowledge in programs aiming at a comprehensive and effective assessment, and mitigation of the seismic risk,

SUPPORTS the establishment of the Global Earthquake Model (GEM) – the program initiated by the OECD to develop a new open standard for the assessment of seismic hazard and risk at regional and global scales,

COMMITTS to cooperate actively with GEM, and

ENCOURAGES all IASPEI members to actively participate in the GEM program and related activities.

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Resolution 2: Reference Events for Improved Location

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RECOGNIZING that the International Seismological Centre (ISC) has recently established a website database of reference earthquakes and explosions for which hypocenter information is known with high confidence and which is associated with seismic signals recorded at regional and / or teleseismic distances, and

ACKNOWLEDGING that the ISC website also includes a capability to submit reference event information,

ENCOURAGES the scientific community to submit to ISC reference event information using guidelines that have been developed by IASPEI for identifying candidate events.

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Resolution 3: International Registry of Seismic Stations

IASPEI

RECOGNIZING that the International Registry of Seismic Stations no longer meets the needs of the seismological community,

RECOMMENDS adoption of newly developed seismic network and station coding standards developed by IASPEI to promote compatibility between waveform and parameter data exchange, attribution of parameter data, and flexibility for seismic network operators to better support earthquake monitoring and hazard assessments.

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*Resolution 4: Earthquake Forecasting and Predictability
Studies*

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RECOGNIZING the opportunities provided by recent developments in earthquake science and technology

RECOMMENDS that research on forecasting and predictability of earthquakes, and the validation and comparative testing of prediction methods be supported.

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Resolution 5: Real-time data access

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RECOGNIZING the barriers to progress caused by restrictive seismic data release policies in force in parts of the world,
and

RECOGNIZING the scientific and societal benefits of rapid data access for the purpose of monitoring, notification and response to damaging earthquake and tsunami events,

RECOMMENDS the adoption of an open real-time data release policy by all national and international seismic networks.

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Resolution 6: Appreciation

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RECOGNIZING the enormous effort required to organize the General Assembly,

THANKS and CONGRATULATES the Local Organizing Committee and its Chair Dr Gerhard Graham and Coordinator Michelle Grobbelaar for a successful, enjoyable and memorable meeting in Cape Town, South Africa.

7 CLOSE OF PLENARY

**Thanks to all for participating in this
IASPEI Scientific Assembly!**

**We hope to see you again at the
IUGG/IASPEI 2011 General Assembly
in MELBOURNE, Australia**