



Calls from the Global Earthquake Model (GEM)

GEM would like to announce the release of 2 calls:

- Call for Expression of Interest on Macroseismic Intensity
- Request for Proposals on Site Effects

GEM Call for Expressions of Interest on Macroseismic Intensity

GEM is considering funding activities related to macroseismic intensity and is calling for Expressions of Interest (EOI) on 12 tasks, such as development of a working/archival macroseismic database, development of XML standards for macroseismic data exchange, and many more. If you or your organisation are working on the topic, or have an interest in macroseismic intensity, please visit the GEM website for further information on the tasks and on how to submit an EOI [deadline is May 15th 2011]. [LINK TO WEBSITE = http://www.globalquakemodel.org/macroseismic-intensity_EOI](http://www.globalquakemodel.org/macroseismic-intensity_EOI)

GEM RfP on Site Effects

As a major source of variability in seismic shaking arises from site effects, an RfP calls for international consortia to submit proposals. The call is open from early May to early June 2011. To insure the maximum usefulness of the furnished global site amplification estimation method, the successful consortium is expected to work closely together with the consortia working on ground motion prediction equations and on macroseismic intensity observations associated with historical earthquakes. The target budget for the call is 450,000 €(US\$634,635). To download the RfP, visit the GEM website. [LINK TO WEBSITE = http://www.globalquakemodel.org/hazard-global-components/site-effects](http://www.globalquakemodel.org/hazard-global-components/site-effects)