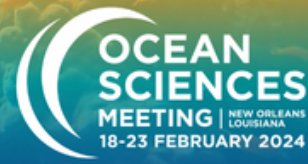


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Hi All,

We hope you're all doing well and enjoying some spring weather (if you're in the northern hemisphere). Below we've put together the latest EPSP news and announcements for you.

EPSP Connects Seminars (and call for new planning committee members)

Please join us on 24 May for our next [EPSP Connects seminar](#). [Amy East](#) (USGS) will present a talk titled *Fluvial response to a major lava-dam collapse: the Rio Coca disaster, Ecuador*. More info [here](#). (Note that our last newsletter listed an incorrect date, and the talk is scheduled for Wednesday 24 May).

EPSP Connects Seminar hosts will be focused on planning during the summer. If you identify as an early career and are excited to start on a path of engagement with the EPSP community, consider joining the team that plans, organizes, manages and hosts these monthly seminars. Activities include daily-to-weekly Slack discussions and feedback, being in email contact with seminar speakers and participants to plan their presentations, and coordinating with the team about promotion of events, seminar formats and topics. EPSP Connects team members usually rotate, so each hosts twice during the academic year and co-host during other seminars. Seminars are usually on the third Wednesday of the month at 10 am CT. If interested, email [Risa Madoff](#).

Welcome to the new Student Committee members

The EPSP [Student Committee](#) has recruited four new members. We are pleased to welcome Emma Rogers (Dartmouth), Dru-Ann Harris (Georgia Tech), Garrett Marietta (Indiana University), and Niraj Bal Tamang (University of Auckland) to our team! We also want to thank Garima Sodha and Roshan Shukla (both at the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur) who have rotated off the Student Committee after three years of service. Thanks Garima and Roshan for all your hard work!

AGU23 abstract submissions open next month

Thank you to EPSP members for submitting over 35 session proposals! Sessions will be announced on 7 June and abstract submissions will open. The abstract submission deadline is 2 August. For a full timeline of programming events leading up to AGU23, go [here](#). AGU23 will again be a hybrid meeting, aiming to capture both in-person and virtual participation.

Nominations needed for the EPSP Early Career Spotlight

Did you know our Student Committee runs an [Early Career Spotlight](#) designed to highlight folks doing EPSP-relevant research? We pick researchers to highlight based on a nomination process and we're always in need of new nominations. If you know an early career researcher who deserves to have their work highlighted, [please nominate them using this form](#) (self-nominations are also allowed and encouraged!).

Volunteer with EPSP

We are still looking for new volunteers for many of our committees including two new committees: the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) committee and a concierge (new member/communication) committee. These are open to folks at any career stage who are doing EPSP-related work. If you are interested, [please fill out an application here](#). We will keep this live indefinitely and will respond to applications on a rolling basis within a month of each application and sooner when we can. Feel free to submit an open ended application of interest! If you want to contribute but are not sure how "best" to do this, we can work with you to find a place for you to contribute in ways that reflect your current and evolving interests.

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