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Earth and Planetary Surface Processes

Hi All,

Welcome to the October EPSP newsletter. We're writing to share a few updates with you.

Congratulations to our EPSP Awardees and new Union Fellows

Congratulations to the winners of the EPSP Awards for 2025. Gordon Grant (USFS and Oregon State University) is the winner of the G.K. Gilbert Award in Surface Processes. Elowyn Yager (University of Idaho) is the winner of the Marguerite T. Williams Award. Gen Li (University of California Santa Barbara) is the winner of the Luna B. Leopold Young Scientist Award, and will present the Sharp Lecture at the Annual Meeting. Congrats as well to our new AGU Fellows: Hailiang Dong, Marco Marani, and A. Brad Murray!

An Opportunity and a News Item on EPSP Global Connections:

The [JpGU-AGU Joint Meeting](#) in Chiba, Japan in May 2026: At least two EPSP-related proposed sessions are looking for representatives of AGU to sign up to be co-conveners. One is on Geomorphology (contact: hattan@geoenv.tsukuba.ac.jp), and the other is on Wildfires (contact: takahisa.furuichi.i8@staff.miyakyo-u.ac.jp). The session proposals are due 15 October 5 PM JST, so act quickly if you want to participate as a co-convener!

We're pleased to announce that AGU has signed an MOU with the International Association of Geomorphologists (IAG). This agreement allows us to run sessions at AGU26 that are co-sponsored by IAG and members of AGU. If you have ideas, please reach out to EPSP leadership, or to Takashi Oguchi, the Vice-President of IAG (oguchi@csis.u-tokyo.ac.jp).

AGU25 Updates (Scientific Program Now Posted!)

The [AGU25 scientific program is now posted and available here](#), with [EPSP sessions](#) scheduled throughout the week. Registration and housing for [AGU25](#) are still open, with early bird registration rates available through 6 November.

Abstract Submissions for AGU25 Late-breaking Sessions are due 5 November

EPSP folks may be interested in the “Interdisciplinary Tsunami Science” session. [Learn more about these late-breaking sessions and submit your abstract here](#).

Gilbert Club 2025

While not officially part of EPSP, [Gilbert Club](#) will take place this year on Friday afternoon and evening, 19 December. The event is being held at University of New Orleans (many thanks Robert Mahon who is the local host this year) and will feature lunch, two talks, pop-ups, and dinner (with lots of space to put up posters).

Vote for your favorite EPSP Sticker to be handed out at AGU25

Thanks to everyone who submitted designs for our annual EPSP Sticker Design contest run by our awesome [EPSP Student Committee](#). We received 11 awesome designs, and now it is your chance to [vote for your favorite design](#). Voting ends on 3 November. After that, we'll tally the votes and print stickers of the winning design(s) to pass out at AGU25 in New Orleans!

Reminder: FREE AGU25 Student/Early Career Lunch Mixer

This year we're hosting a free student/early career lunch mixer on Thursday 18 December (free boxed lunch provided). This is a chance to meet other early career EPSP folks, as well as the EPSP 2025 award winners who will be on hand for the event. The event is free, but registration is required (so we can get an accurate guest count). You'll be able to register for the event through the AGU system when you register for the conference. Please note, this event is separate from the informal early career mixer that is often put on by students on Thursday nights.

EPSP Caregiver Award

Congratulations to our 2025 Caregiver Awardees Molly Keogh, Piyush Dahal, and Aishia Fyruz Aishi. Each awardee will get \$500 to help with caregiving costs associated with attending AGU25. Many thanks to our volunteers on the EPSP Student and Travel Award subcommittee which helped evaluate the entries.

Act Fast: Nominate an Impactful Dataset

We invite you to [nominate an impactful dataset](#) that has been essential to your work. Submissions will be considered for inclusion in an upcoming featured commentary published in AGU Advances. This is a chance to recognize the data - and the people behind it - that are driving science forward. **Please [nominate an impactful dataset](#) by 20 October.**

Register for the next AGU Days of Action Webinar: Navigating Today's Science Policy Landscape

Today's policy landscape is shaping the future of research, education, and science in powerful ways. In this webinar, AGU's team of science policy experts will lay out the current policy landscape and its impacts on science, and what scientists and organizations like AGU can do to support science in the coming months.

Topics will include a current federal science funding update, clarifying where we are in the budgeting process for 2026 and what we anticipate for federal agencies and non-governmental institutions. Experts will also cover what it means for researchers, universities, students, and the future of science as well as how the scientific community is stepping up to meet these challenges. Panelists will look forward and share tips for how to effectively navigate shifting landscapes in the coming months.

This webinar will take place on 23 October at 3 PM ET. [Register here.](#)

Help with EPSP Social Media (BSKY and Instagram)!

We're looking for a few folks to help us with our website and social media. If you're interested in joining our volunteer team to help out, please [email Susannah](#) for more information.

Stay Connected with EPSP

As a reminder, in addition to this newsletter, we make many EPSP-related announcements on our Bsky account ([@aguepsp.bsky.social](#)), Instagram account ([agu_epsp](#)), as well via the [Gilbert Club](#) and [IAG Geomorph-List](#) (GEOMORPH-L) community list-servs (which are both great ways to stay up to date with the broader geomorph community as well).

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