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Welcome to the third issue of the Geological Society's Chartered Fellows' Newsletter.

Published five times a year following each election of new Chartered Fellows, this Newsletter is to inform the Chartered Fellowship and also to gain their input into what information they would like to see. Information of general interest to the Chartered Fellows that perhaps might not reach the pages of Geoscientist is welcome.

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Scrutineer Training

We have scheduled April 17th as a day for Scrutineer Training in Burlington House. As in other years we propose to start in the late morning and provide lunch for the participants. Following the event there will be a wine reception for all. It is hope that Scrutineers who have yet to attend such an event will try to be there.

We also propose to have a further event outside London in late April and currently Nottingham appears to be the place where we might best hold it as we can get good accommodation there at a reasonable price.

We do not have any idea as to the likely take up at these events and so ask that any Scrutineers who intend to attend either event to contact Bill Gaskarth at Chartership@geolsoc.org.uk. We are particularly keen to encourage attendance by CGeols who may be considering becoming Scrutineers.

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Newly Elected Chartered Geologists & Chartered Scientists

The following Fellows have recently been elected to Chartered Status:

Newly Elected to CGeol:



Laura Bacon Franck Baudrain Christopher Brough Charles Bull Simone Desiderati Giles Gordon-Saker Ric Horobin Gareth Owen

Kevin Wing Fat So Fiona Todd Rebecca Tumilty

Scott Pearse has been elected as CGeol via the reciprocity agreement with the AIPG.

Newly Elected to CSci:



CSci and CGeol Theresa Cory
Retrospective award of CSci Richard O'Brien

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Changes to Chartership requirements for CSci

The Science Council has asked that we agree to changes in the standard that they set for CSci. This is a revision of those on the Regulation R/FP/11 but they do not alter in any way the main requirements. The new criteria are as follows:

A. Application of Knowledge and Understanding.

- **A1.** Use specialist experiential knowledge and broader scientific understanding to optimise the application of existing and emerging science and technology.
- **A2.** Exercise sound judgement in the absence of complete information and in complex and unpredictable situations.
- **A3.** Demonstrate critical evaluation of relevant scientific information and concepts to propose original solutions to problems.

B. Personal Responsibility.

- **B1.** Exercise and take responsibility for the quality of work of self and others.
- **B2.** Develop and Implement policies and protocols relating to health, safety and security.
- **B3.** Promote and ensure compliances with all relevant regulatory requirements and quality standards.
- **B4.** Oversee the implementation of solutions with due regard to the wider environment and broader context.

C. Interpersonal Skills.

- **C1.** Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively with specialist and non-specialist audiences.
- **C2.** Demonstrate effective leadership through the ability to guide, influence, inspire and empathise with others.
- C3. Demonstrate the ability to mediate, develop and maintain positive working relationships.

D. Professional Practice.

- **D1.** Scope, plan and manage multifaceted projects and contribute to determining the resulting courses of action
- **D2.** Demonstrate the achievement of desired outcomes with the effective management of resources and risks.
- **D3.** Take responsibility for continuous performance improvement at both a personal level and in a wider organisational context.

E. Professionalism.

- E1. Demonstrate understanding and compliance with relevant codes of conduct.
- **E2.** Demonstrate a commitment to professional development through continuing advancement of own knowledge, understanding and competence.

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Company Training Scheme Accreditation

Schemes submitted by WSP and Atkins China are now Accredited, whilst schemes from GRM, ERC Equipoise and Fugro Seacore are in late stages of review and are likely to be Accredited in the very near future. These 5 company schemes will bring the total Accredited up to 16.

The Accredited list is:

Atkins HK and Atkins UK, Jacobs HK, Arup HK, CEDD HK, Gammon Construction HK, RPS Energy, URS, CH2MHill, RSK, Fugro China, CGL, WSP, plus shortly GRM, ERC Equipoise and Fugro Seacore.

We have had enquiries from 11 more companies and expect several applications to arrive and be reviewed before the next of these Newsletters.

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Web Page Changes

We have had a good response on the changes here with comments that the information is now easier to access and clearer. The request to <u>Scrutineers</u> to agree that applications are sufficiently complete and of high enough quality to go forward the Interview has resulted in candidates being asked for more information or changes to strengthen the application. We hope that this will have the desired effect of producing fewer defers after interview and more being turned back prior to interview for strengthening.

Bill Gaskarth is continuing his visits to <u>Regional Groups</u> and companies and is preaching the message to applicants regarding the focus of the application to be on geological or scientific competency rather than competency to do ones job. We also emphasise the importance of input from <u>Sponsors</u> and request them to refuse Sponsorship if the application is not of a high enough standard, including the selection of supporting documents and their length.

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The Register of Ground Engineering Professionals (RoGEP)

It appears not to be too clear to some applicants about the procedure for RoGEP applications. The following is information that I have received from the RoGEP coordinator:

Within 12 months of success at Chartership there is the opportunity to apply for RoGEP with a simplified route at a reduced cost of £30. You also need to ask your CGeol Sponsors to forward an email stating that they sponsored your CGeol application and that they fully support your application to RoGEP at Professional grade. To complete the application the Registers Coordinator will request your CGeol documentation from the GSL. The next deadline for submissions is 5 May 2015.

Would any CGeol sponsoring an eligible candidate please bring the above to their attention.

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Careers Days - Opportunities for Sponsors

These days commonly attract large numbers of students and are a place where companies and University vocational training courses can advertise their offerings.

The days are sponsored by a variety of participating companies and any company interested in offering sponsorship (no matter how small) should contact Mohammed Jahangir in the Fellowship Office (mohammed.jahangir@geolsoc.org.uk 02074320970).

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