



Dear Friends,



As the year 2022 came to an end, the IGA wishes everyone a Happy New Year 2023! We thank all of you for a wonderful operational year, sharing your passion for #geothermal and jointly creating more awareness and visibility for the resources we have beneath our feet.

In December's review, we inform you on our latest activities globally, give you a sneak preview on what's on the agenda, and... we have a special offer for our members:

- UNFC framework for Geothermal heats up in community
- Call for projects in the Latin American & Caribbean Region
- Special offer: Get your free copy of the Geothermal Exploration book!
- IGA Short Course "Geothermal Drilling: Blending Oil & Gas technology with Geothermal know-how"
- World Geothermal Congress 2023
- World Geothermal Congress 2026

Enjoy!

Your IGA Team

Interest in UN Framework Classification for Resources heats up in geothermal community



A UN Framework to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of energy resource management is sparking significant interest from geothermal experts, signaling strong potential to unlock its contribution to climate action and sustainable development.

The United Nations Framework Classification for Resources (UNFC) is a globally applicable standard for classifying resources. It provides a common language for describing resources, facilitating their efficient and effective management. The Economic and Social Council of the United Nations has unanimously endorsed the Framework.

UNFC is being increasingly used to classify geothermal resources. In particular, UNFC has been used to develop geothermal resource classifications and pilot projects for a number of countries, including Ethiopia, Indonesia, Mexico and St Lucia. Recently, Queensland, Australia, became the first jurisdiction to legislate the application of UNFC to Geothermal energy.

Geothermal energy can play a significant role in meeting the world's future energy needs. It is a renewable source that provides clean energy for a unique combination of purposes: power, heating and cooling, as well as direct uses. Geothermal energy is a gamechanger for achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7, providing affordable, clean, baseload energy for all.

To facilitate uptake of UNFC to geothermal energy, UNECE and the International Geothermal Association (IGA) have cooperated since 2014 to apply UNFC to geothermal resources. The most recent result of this cooperation is the development of Updated Specifications for Application of UNFC to Geothermal Energy Resources by the UNFC Ad Hoc Committee of IGA.

[Read the full article on **unece.org**](https://unece.org)

Call for projects in the Latin American & Caribbean Region



The IGA is inviting all stakeholders from the Latin American and Caribbean region to submit profiles of their geothermal direct use project.

Are you interested in expanding geothermal food and agriculture markets? Are you a business or project developer located in the LAC region, who wants to utilize geothermal energy to accelerate your business? Or are already involved in any form of a geothermal direct use project development? Then we highly encourage you to submit your pitch to iga@lovegeothermal.org with the subject line “Social Impact Fund” no later than 30 January 2023 17:00 CET and your project profile:

- What is the project about?
- What type of direct use application is planned?
- Where is the project located?
- What is the project status?
- What is the funding gap?

We look forward to hearing from you!

[Click here for more Information](#)

Special offer: Get your free copy of the Geothermal Exploration book!

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As our token of appreciation, we offer **one free copy** of *Geothermal Exploration - Global Strategies and Applications* to our members! All you need to do is covering the shipping costs. This offer is valid until **31 March 2023** and only while supplies lasts.

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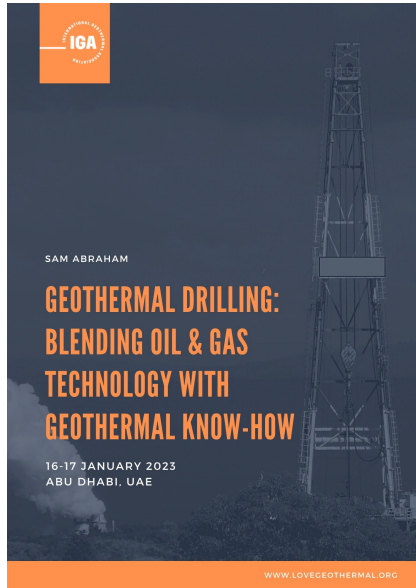
Geothermal Exploration - Global Strategies and Applications introduces the subject of geothermal energy and its development around the world. The text defines a series of 'geothermal play types' based on geological setting and then presents strategies and methodologies appropriate for each play type to move a geothermal exploration program to the stage of committing to exploration drilling. These methodologies include permitting, environmental, geology, geochemistry, geophysics and remote sensing techniques used throughout the world for specific play types. The book covers a large number of geoscientific techniques and focuses on their applications to both convective and conductive geothermal systems, with extensive reference to the international literature.

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Upcoming Events

Geothermal Drilling: Blending Oil & Gas technology with Geothermal know-how



With the growing appetite of the Oil Gas Sector to learn more about the geothermal know-how and evaluate where to position the geothermal opportunities in their own assets, this course is a must attend for technical drilling, project management and subsurface professionals in the hydrocarbon industry.

The two-day training course will cover practical aspects of O&G and Geothermal technology differences in relation to sub surface, well design, drilling processes and operations. Additionally, it will also include the aspects of power production and direct use, project management, and much more.

Date: 16-17 January 2023

Location: Sheraton Abu Dhabi Hotel & Resort, Abu Dhabi, UAE

[Get more info & register](#)

World Geothermal Congress 2023



The World Geothermal Congress 2023 is scheduled to take place according to the following schedule:

- 7-8 October 2023: Short Courses
- 9-11 October 2023: Technical Programme (hybrid)
- 12-13 October 2023: Field trips

All papers for the technical programme must be submitted by **31 January 2023 23:59 UTC**. Please note, that this is the very final date!

[Read the press release](#)

Request for Proposals for the World Geothermal Congress 2026



The IGA is looking for a partnership and requesting proposals to prepare and deliver the organisation of the World Geothermal Congress 2026 (WGC2026).

Due to the postponement of the WGC2023 to October, we extend the closing time for proposals until 31 January 2023.

[Download the RfP](#)

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