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GS PRESENTS ITS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD TO EDOARDO AMMANNATI AND GOLDSCHMIDT STUDENT HELPERS



Edoardo Ammannati and the Goldschmidt student helper teams are the recipients of the 2024 Geochemical Society Distinguished Service Award, presented at the Goldschmidt Conference in August. This year, the award recognizes the exceptional contributions made by the student helpers at the Goldschmidt Conferences. From helping delegates register at the start of the meeting, to making sure that every presentation and poster session goes

smoothly, the team has become an integral part of the conference.

Since his first conference as a team member in Florence in 2013, to his role as team coordinator today, Edoardo has trained and organized hundreds of students over the years. He works hard each day with the volunteers to ensure a positive conference experience for delegates. Much of their work is done behind the scenes, so the GS is especially pleased to recognize the extraordinary contributions of Edoardo and all student helper teams over the years. The Distinguished Service Award is presented on an irregular basis to recognize contributions that greatly exceed the normal expectations of voluntary service.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025

Geochemical Society members can renew their memberships quickly and securely on the GS website: www.geochemsoc.org. Renew by 31 December 2024 to enjoy uninterrupted access to *Elements*, Geochemical News, and registration discounts to Goldschmidt 2025 in Prague and other conferences. You can also choose a two-year membership option to save time and money.

A reduced professional rate of \$15 is available to scientists from countries classified by the World Bank as having low-income or lower-middle-income economies. To learn more about which countries qualify, visit geochemsoc.org/membership/join. Students from qualifying countries may apply for free memberships through the Introductory Student Membership Program.

The society also offers a life member option that eliminates the need to renew altogether. The current life membership rate can be calculated as 70, minus your current age, times \$35 USD, with a minimum rate of \$175 for those over the age of 65. For scientists in countries with low and lower-middle income economies, the formula is 70, minus your current age, times \$15 USD, with a minimum rate of \$75 for those over the age of 65.

2025 Dues Rates	1-Year Membership	2-Year Membership
Professional: High and Upper-middle Income Economies	\$40 USD	\$75 USD
Professional: Low and Lower-middle Income Economies	\$15 USD	\$25 USD
Senior	\$20 USD	\$35 USD
Student	\$15 USD	\$25 USD

GS Introductory Student Memberships

To increase student participation, the GS grants free memberships to students in countries that are under-represented in the society. This includes most countries in Africa, Asia (excluding China, Japan, and South Korea), and Central and South America. Benefits of Introductory Student Memberships include print and online subscriptions to *Elements*, the weekly *Geochemical News* email, and discounted registration rates for the Goldschmidt Conference and other scientific meetings. More information is available at geochemsoc.org/programs/ism.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING ONLINE SEMINARS

The society is pleased to announce an online seminar series for the 2024–2025 academic year. The seminars aim to cover diverse topics pertinent to professional development and will offer insights and resources to participants. The series is part of the Professional Development Program, co-organized and coordinated by the DEI Committee of the Geochemical Society, which aims to empower early-career scientists in the field of geochemistry by providing access to various tools and skills essential for their professional growth.

Details on all upcoming online seminars will be posted at geochemsoc.org/events/webinars.

GS AWARD AND SPECIAL LECTURES NOMINATION DEADLINES

The GS recognizes outstanding achievements in geochemistry and related fields through its awards and special lectures. The society seeks a diverse pool of nominees for its awards—to achieve this goal, we request participation and nominations from the entire geochemical community!

The GS awards nominations deadline is 31 October 2024. This includes the V.M. Goldschmidt, F.W. Clarke, C.C. Paterson, Alfred Treibs, and John Hayes awards. Information about all awards can be found at geochemsoc.org/honors. Details regarding the Geochemistry Fellows, jointly awarded by EAG and GS, are also available.

The special lectures nominations deadline is 6 December 2024. Three named lectures at the Goldschmidt Conference recognize innovative research across several disciplines. The **Robert Berner Lecture**, a joint program of the Geochemical Society and the European Association of Geochemistry, is given annually by a mid-career scientist. The lecture is on a 'Berner' subject, which includes a wide range of topics associated with elemental cycling at the Earth's surface. The **Endowed Biogeochemistry Lecture** recognizes a prominent scientist who is making cutting-edge field- or laboratory-based measurements on samples in biogeochemistry. The **F. Earl Ingerson Lecture** honors the Geochemical Society's first president. Nominations are accepted for any topic within geochemistry with broad appeal to Goldschmidt attendees.

Lecture nomination packages are relatively short, requiring only information about the nominee and one support letter. Visit geochemsoc.org/honors/special-lectures to nominate.