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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE





Outgoing IAGC President, Clemens Reimann, Norwegian Geological Survey (top)

Incoming IAGC President, Rich Wanty, U.S. Geological Survey

In December 2012, my twoyear term of office as president of the organization ends. Rich Wanty of the U.S. Geological Survey, our vice-president, will take over as president for the next two years. The very existence of our organization was threatened at the beginning of my term because Elsevier had changed our contract regulating the royalties we receive for our journal, Applied Geochemistry. In the end, we negotiated a new contract. which will need to be renewed

in 2013, so Rich will be faced with the same kind of negotiations again quite soon. We expect to be better prepared this time. Among the organizational changes we have

made is the inclusion of the Chairs of the working groups on the IAGC Council, because it is in these working groups where most of the practical work happens, and it is the working groups that receive a substantial part of our income. Rich is already heading an ad hoc committee discussing the future of IAGC with or without Elsevier. The shorter term of office for the president (two years instead of four) is also aimed at getting more members involved in our society. There is still a long way to go, and Rich will face many challenges during his tenure. I hope he will find strong backing from the other officers. Council, and all members. I thank the officers, Council, and our new business office manager for all the help I received during the last two years. With regards to the members, it would have sometimes been nice to see a bit more activity: if you express your expectations and wishes, it is easier to run the organization. It has been mostly enjoyable to be your president during the last two years, and I wish all the best and good success to our incoming president, Rich Wanty.

Clemens Reimann, President, IAGC

### **INGERSON LECTURER FOR 2013**



W. Berry Lyons

The IAGC Ingerson International Lecture is supported by a bequest from Dr. Earl Ingerson, the first president of the Association. The Lecturer is selected in odd-numbered years. The selection for 2013 is Professor W. Berry Lyons of The Ohio State

University, who will deliver his lecture at the 14<sup>th</sup> Water–Rock Interaction Symposium in Avignon, France. After that, Dr. Berry will be available during 2013 and 2014 for seminars at academic and research institutions on the basis of expenses-paid invitations.

## 14<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON WATER-ROCK INTERACTION (WRI-14)

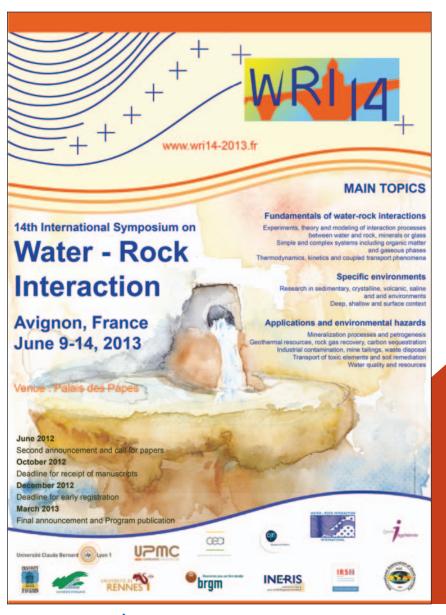
The Water–Rock Interaction triennial symposia of the International Association of Geochemistry provide scientists, students, professionals, and the entire geochemical community with an international forum to exchange scientific ideas and advances from both the lab and the field.

In 2013, the symposium will take place in France for the second time in its history, thirty-six years after Yves Tardy organized WRI-2 in Strasbourg. It will be hosted in the UNESCO World Heritage City of Avignon and will take place in the Palais des Papes (Palace of the Popes).

We hope that this impressive venue, in addition to the traditional convivial and scientific ambiance of WRI, will foster scientific exchanges and further our knowledge in all fields related to water–rock interactions, and in particular in such new fields as environmental and risk assessment associated with contaminated water resources, shale gas exploitation, and geothermal energy.

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