



International Association
of Geodesy

Structure of the International Association of Geodesy of the IUGG

1862 – 1867	Mitteuropäische Gradmessung (Central European Arc Measurement)
1867 – 1886	Europäische Gradmessung (European Arc Measurement)
1886 – 1916	Internationale Erdmessung (International Geodetic Association)
1917 – 1922	Reduced Geodetic Association among Neutral States
1922 – 1930	Section of Geodesy of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics
1930 – 1946	Association of Geodesy of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics
1946 –	International Association of Geodesy of the IUGG

General Assembly	Section I/Commission 1	Section II/Commission 2	Section III/Commission 3	Section IV/Commission 4	Section V / Inter-Com.
1948 Oslo	Triangulations	Precise Levelling	Geodetic Astronomy	Gravimetry	Geoid
1951 Brussels	Triangulations	Precise Levelling	Geodetic Astronomy	Gravimetry	Geoid
1954 Roma	Triangulations	Precise Levelling	Geodetic Astronomy	Gravimetry	Geoid
1957 Toronto	Triangulations	Precise Levelling	Geodetic Astronomy	Gravimetry	Geoid
1960 Helsinki	Triangulations	Precise Levelling	Geodetic Astronomy	Gravimetry	Geoid
1963 Berkeley	Geodetic Positioning	Lev. & Crustal Motion	G.A. & Artificial Satellites	Gravimetry	Physical Geodesy
1967 Zürich-Luzern	Geodetic Positioning	Lev. & Crustal Motion	G.A. & Satellite Geodesy	Gravimetry	Physical Geodesy
1971 Moscow	Control Surveys	Space Techniques	Gravimetry	Theory and Evaluation	Physical Interpretation
1975 Grenoble	Control Surveys	Space Techniques	Gravimetry	Theory and Evaluation	Physical Interpretation
1979 Canberra	Control Surveys	Space Techniques	Gravimetry	Theory and Evaluation	Physical Interpretation
1983 Hamburg	Positioning	Adv. Space Technology	Det. of the Gravity Field	Gen. Theor. & Methodol.	Geodynamics
1987 Vancouver	Positioning	Adv. Space Technology	Det. of the Gravity Field	Gen. Theor. & Methodol.	Geodynamics
1991 Vienna	Positioning	Adv. Space Technology	Det. of the Gravity Field	Gen. Theor. & Methodol.	Geodynamics
1995 Boulder	Positioning	Adv. Space Technology	Det. of the Gravity Field	Gen. Theor. & Methodol.	Geodynamics
1999 Birmingham	Positioning	Adv. Space Technology	Det. of the Gravity Field	Gen. Theor. & Methodol.	Geodynamics
2003 Sapporo	Reference Frames	Gravity Field	Earth Rot. & Geodyn.	Positiong. & Applicats.	(IC Committee Theory)
2007 Perugia	Reference Frames	Gravity Field	Earth Rot. & Geodyn.	Positiong. & Applicats.	(ICCT) GGOS
2011 Melbourne	Reference Frames	Gravity Field	Earth Rot. & Geodyn.	Positiong. & Applicats.	(ICCT) GGOS
2015 Prague	Reference Frames	Gravity Field	Earth Rot. & Geodyn.	Positiong. & Applicats.	ICCT GGOS

IAG Commissions (assigned to Sections until 2003)		
No.	ass. to Section	Name
I	I (1951-1975)	European Triangulation (1979 transformed into a sub-commission of Commission X)
II	II (1954-1975)	Unified European Levelling Network (1979 transformed into a sub-commission of Commission X)
III	III (1951-1999)	International Gravimetric Commission (IGC) (1999 integrated into Commission XIII)
IV	I (1957-1963)	Preliminary investigations on a general adjustment of the South-Asia triangulations
V	V (1957-2003)	Earth Tides Commission (see also Int. Center for Earth Tides)
VI	out of Section (1951-1983)	International Geodetic Bibliography (transformed into Int. Bibl. Service in 1984)
VII	V (1960-1999)	Commission on Recent Crustal Movements (CRCM)(transformed to XIV in 1999)
VIII	II (1979-2003)	International Coordination of Space Techniques for Geodesy and Geodynamics (CSTG)
IX	out of Section (1975-1995)	Education in Geodesy
X	I (1975-2003)	Continental Networks
XI	out of Section (1975-1995)	Geodesy in Africa
XII	III (1987-1999)	International Geoid Commission (1999 integrated into Commission XIII)
XIII	III (1999-2003)	International Gravity and Geoid Commission (merge of Commissions III and XII)
XIV	V (1999-2003)	Crustal Deformation

IAG Scientific Services		
Founded	Abbr.	Full Name
1875	BIPM	Bureau International des Poids et Mesures (Internat. Bureau of Weights and Measures) – Time Department
1889	IBS	International Bibliography Service (1984 formally established, 2015 discontinued)
1899	ILS	International Latitude Service (1962 replaced by the IPMS)
1912	BIH	Bureau International de l'Heure (1987 integrated into IERS)
1933	PSMSL	Permanent Service for Mean Sea Level
1951	BGI	Bureau Gravimetric International (International Gravimetric Bureau)
1956	ICET	International Centre for Earth Tides (2015 integrated into IGETS)
1962	IPMS	International Polar Motion Service (1987 integrated into IERS)
1987	IERS	International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service
1991	IGeS / ISG	International Geoid Service / 2015 renamed International Service for the Geoid
1994	IGS	International GPS Service / 2004 renamed International GNSS Service
1998	ILRS	International Laser Ranging Service
1999	IDEMS	International Digital Elevation Models Service
1999	IVS	International VLBI Service for Geodesy and Astrometry
2003	ICGEM	International Centre for Global Earth Models
2003	IDS	International DORIS Service
2004	IGFS	International Gravity Field Service
2008	IAS	International Altimetry Service (2015 discontinued)
2015	IGETS	International Geodynamics and Earth Tide Service