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The opening date, September 1, 2007, for registration and abstract submission for the 33rd IGC is approaching. We, the 33IGC Organising Committee, would greatly appreciate more active participation from IUGS and all its affiliated organisations, commissions and sub commissions, initiatives and projects. There are many ways in which the IUGS can help us make the 33rd IGC successful:

- All IUGS organisations and projects to include link to 33IGC on their websites
- Arrange workshops and/or business meetings during the Congress. We will provide rooms and facilities. The 33rd IGC should be a natural venue for IUGS commissions and sub commissions to have business meetings.
- Promote the Congress to all members in as many different ways as possible. This is the most important geoscience conference to IUGS, and all affiliated organisations, commissions, and projects should feel an obligation to contribute.
- Influence on the programme. The scientific programme is frequently updated on the web (www.33igc.org), and there are still gaps that can be filled. Relatively few symposium proposals have come from IUGS organisations and there is still room for improvement.

The success of any conference is largely dependant on its participants. It is therefore an aim for us to attract as many participants as possible, from as many fields of the geosciences and from as many parts of the world as possible. For this, more assistance from all parts of the IUGS would be much welcomed!

With best regards

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