

Monday meeting Department of Geological Sciences (IGV) 1st Dec 2025

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This is the last Monday meeting of 2025

General SU, geo-section

- New agreement for international train travel from 1st December 2025. SU will start a collaboration with a travel agent in Kalmar, a company that **specializes in international trains for travel within Europe**. The collaboration makes it even easier for us to choose sustainable travel options. It **will still be possible to make reservations via Amex GBT**, but the new agreement means additional expertise for climate-smart train travel in Europe.
- Prefekt meeting 3rd December
- CPG meeting today: 1st December: time to decide on the new CPG statute proposal, outlining the plan to turn the CPG into a full centre with a director and board (it is currently an informal centre with a steering group).
- SU Web changes coming this week.
 - The migration from the old CMS (content manage system) Polopoly to the new one, Sitevision will be completed sometime this week.
 - Phase-1, the course catalogue (all the course pages) was completed in June 2025, and the work has continued since then.
 - The final phase will take place sometime this week.
 - In connection with the migration of IGV's website, IGV will launch a new internal website for staff. All content that we had under our old "internal button" (Monday meetings notes, policy documents etc etc) will be on this new website that **will only be accessible when logged in**.
 - Once the migration is complete, we will send an email to everyone.

IGV Administration

- IGV Christmas lunch: Thursday 11th December, IGV 4th Floor Kitchen, 13.00
- IGV hosting the ECORD office for a period of 3 years from January. Matt O'Regan will step up as the chair of ECORD with Hanno Kinkel joining as ECORD 'Science coordinator' from 1st Jan 2026.
- IGV will participate in a 2nd round of the Sci Life lab Assistant professor in Biodiversity. This means that there is a 2nd chance to recruit a new person to the geochemistry environment, if a candidate is competitive. NG, ACES and Zoology will also participate but not DEEP as before, since they ended up with 2 candidates last call.

Teaching

- CAT-A IGV certification preparation: IGV aims to offer training and certification for students to become Category A hydrographic surveyors. The authority provided initial feedback in early fall 2025 and invited a resubmission, which IGV submitted at the end of November."

Research and seminars

- IGV Research Seminar: Ernst Johnson, PhD student at CPG/IGV: Thursday 4th December 2025, 15.00-16.00, William-Olssonsalen, title: *Tracing the Pioneers of Scandinavia: drawing inferences from ancient environmental genomics*.

- Environmental seminar series: Alasdair Skelton- *Carbon Dioxide Removal – A Last Chance for Humanity?* Wednesday 17th December 2025, 16.00, William-Olssonsalen. Followed by 'AW' refreshments in the fourth floor. Please sign up here (deadline 9/12): <https://survey.su.se/survey/58826>

PhD students

- PhD salary levels at SU are now agreed upon and the new levels are effective from 1 of oct 2025. PhD salary levels are not decided upon within the salary review process.

Reminders

- IGV styreslsen, Wed 10th December: last call for agenda items.
- Trusha Naik PhD defence. Today: December 1st, 13.00, William-Olssonsalen: *Controls of Miocene Ocean circulation: Surface Forcing Gateways and orography.*
- Simone Simonera PhD defence December 3rd, 9.30, William-Olssonsalen: *Formation and tectonic evolution of the Yukon-Koyukuk Basin, Alaska*

Other

- Lucia celebration 12th Dec 08.30, Geobuilding this year hosted by NG. All IGV staff/staff within the Geobuilding are welcome (outside of Nordensköldsalen). Enjoy a special fika in a cosy atmosphere while experiencing the traditional Lucia procession and beautiful music.
- Lucia GEOPUB: 12th December 2025. U1, from 17.00
- Fire safety: fire alarm test Geohuset: Tuesday 9th December, 12.30-14.30
- Fire safety: sprinkler system test weeks 51 and 52
- IGV opening hours over the Christmas period- to be determined. Look out for emails.