Division meeting
Cryospheric Sciences

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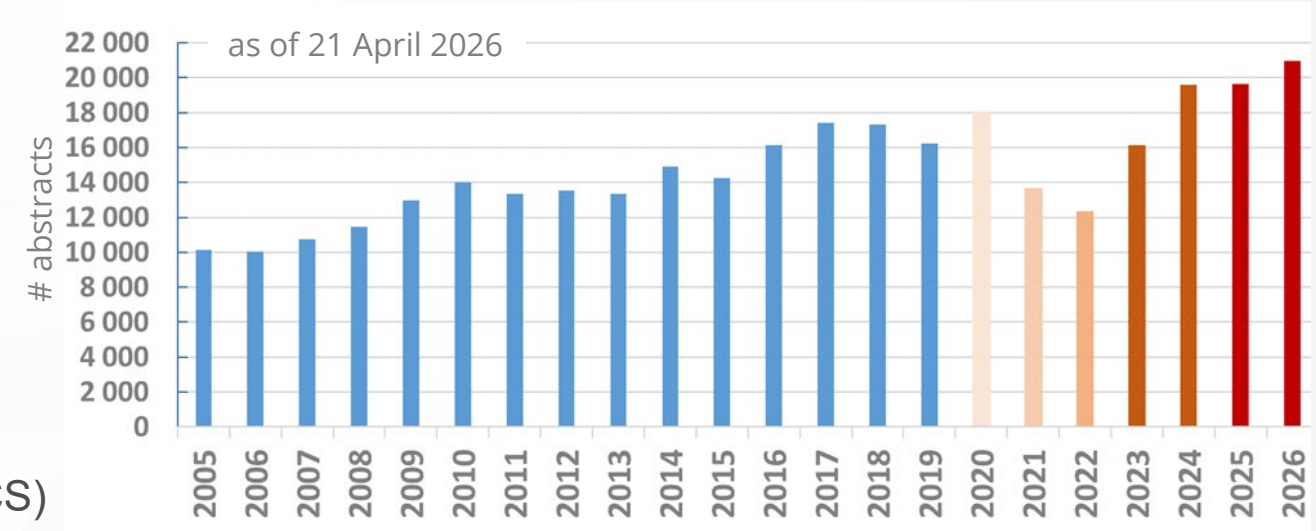
GA statistics



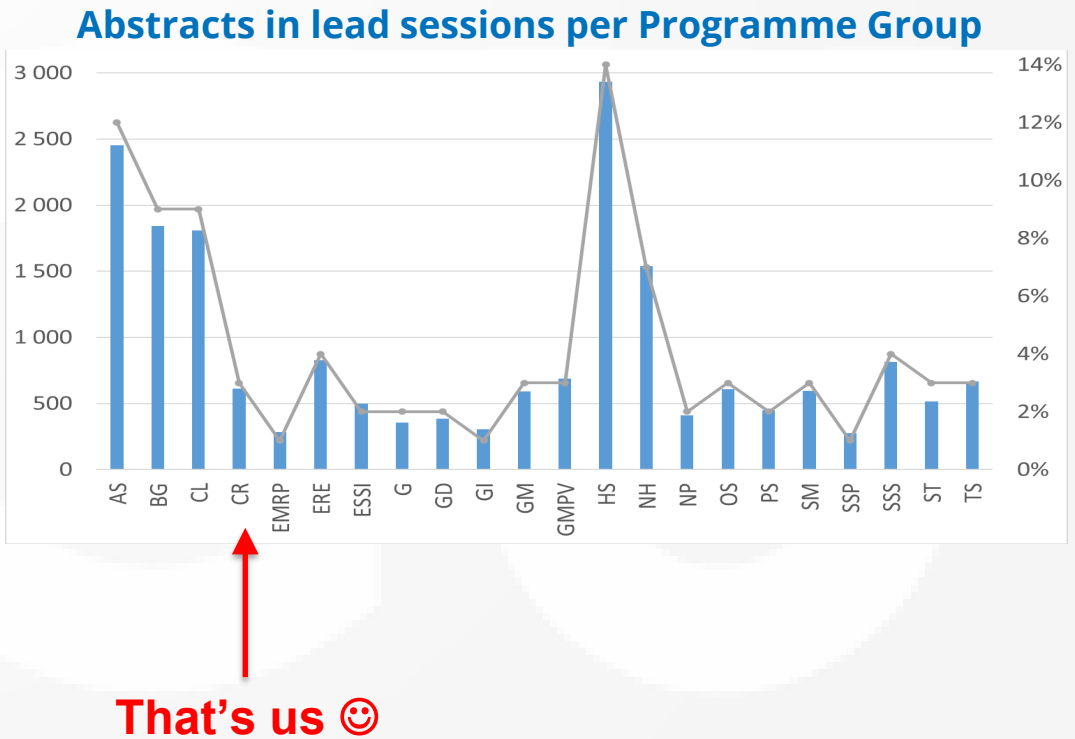
- 21,117 abstracts = ↑ ~1800 vs 2025
- ~21,660 registrations (9.6% virtual, ~58% ECS)
- 1000+ sessions | ~800 oral/poster/pico sessions | 62 Short Courses | 38 Medal and Award Lectures
- Networking & Science for Policy Events, Education and Outreach sessions, Townhall & splinter Meetings, Union Symposia, Great Debates, Artist in Residence workshop

➔ **Surely more than you'll ever be able to attend!**

- **Still to come**
  - Full CR scientific program
  - CR Medal and Award session this evening
  - Some excellent Union Symposia and Great Debates
  - Super-interesting Short Courses, as well as Outreach and Communication sessions
  - A number of Receptions and Networking Events (try the program-group "NET"! ☺)

CR meeting statistics

- 2026 (hybrid): 1367 abstracts ↑
  CR org: 608 abstracts in 24 sessions → -5%
  35 blocks: 17 abstracts/block
- 2025 (hybrid): 1098 abstracts ↓
  CR org: 643 abstracts in 25 sessions → ~0%
  35 blocks: 18 abstracts/block
- 2024 (hybrid): 1208 abstracts ↑
  CR org: 645 abstracts in 23 sessions → +30%
  35 blocks: 19 abstracts/block
- 2023 (hybrid): 929 abstracts →
  CR org: 447 abstracts in 18 sessions → -4%
  30 blocks: 15 abstracts/block



Feedback on the CR programme

	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4	TU1	TU2	TU3	TU4	WE1	WE2	WE3	WE4	TH1	TH2	TH3	TH4	FR1	FR2	FR3	FR4
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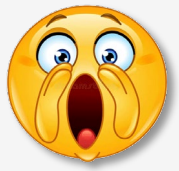
- Prefer CR over any other Division?
- Prefer Monday morning over Friday afternoon?
- Prefer a few large poster session over a several small ones?
- OK to have a poster session before the oral block?
- OK to have orals and posters on two different days?
- Better stay in the same room the whole day rather than switching?
- Better avoid overlaps for sub-program groups than clustering them in the week?

Feedback RESULTS:

1. Obviously yes
2. Yes, clear preference for Monday morning
3. Yes, rather prefer large poster sessions
4. Ok to have posters before orals if needs to be, but not ideal
5. Ok if needs to be but prioritize having posters after orals
6. Yes, better stay in the same room
7. Yes, avoid overlaps, but cluster as much as possible



A few additional programme points you don't want to miss at the GA2026

- Tonight's **Medal and oECS lectures** → **See later slides, but show up tonight in Room F1 at 19:00 *and* bring all your friends!**

- **CR-wide network event** → **Wednesday 06.05.2026, 19:00-22:30 at Brandauers Schlossbräu**

- Friday night's **Volunteer Appreciation Reception** (aka "Conveners party" ;-)) → **If you are a volunteer, be there!**

Or, if you are not: (i) make friends with a volunteer as soon as you can (and let you invite ;-)) **and (ii) be a volunteer next year!** ;-)

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Next CR President elections: Autumn 2027

in red: outgoing
in purple: incoming
in orange: planned

Division Structure (1 of 3): Liaison Officers

VOTE: Do you agree to appoint the proposed Deputy President and Officers?
RESULT: ~180 Yes / 0 No / 0 Abstain

	Up to now		From now on (proposal*)	
President/PG Chair:	Daniel Farinotti	2025 -	Daniel Farinotti	2025 - 2029
Deputy President:	Carleen Tijm-Reijmer	2025 - 2026	Thomas Mölg	2026 - 2028
Publications:	Chris Derksen (TC coord. CEIC)	2023 -	Chris Derksen (TC coord. CEIC)	2023 - 2027
Liaison Officers: Medal Committee:	Regine Hock (Chair)	2022 - 2026	Etienne Berthier (Chair)	2023 - 2027
	Etienne Berthier	2023 -	Gwen Flowers	2024 - 2028
	Gwen Flowers	2024 -	Ruzica Dadic	2024 - 2028
	Ruzica Dadic	2024 -	Shin Sugiyama	2025 - 2029
	Shin Sugiyama	2025 -	Olaf Eisen	2026 - 2030
OSPP Award Coord:	Emma Pearce	2025 -	Emma Pearce	2025 - 2029
	[VACANT]	2025 -	Daniel Richards	2026 - 2030
Policy:	Marie Cavitte	2024 –	Marie Cavitte	2024 – 2028
			[NEW, VACANT]	2027 – 2031
ECS Rep.:	Ann-Sofie Zinck	2023 - 2026	Aakriti Srivastava	2025 - 2029
	Aakriti Srivastava	2025 -	[VACANT]	2027 - 2031
Outreach:	Larissa van der Laan	2023 - 2026	Rahul Dey	2026 - 2030

* Medal Committee members are discussed at the Division Meeting (DM) and appointed by Council. Other Officers are directly appointed at the DM.

Division Structure (2 of 3): Science Officers

in red: outgoing
in purple: incoming
in orange: planned

VOTE: Do you agree to appoint the proposed Deputy President and Officers?
RESULT: ~180 Yes / 0 No / 0 Abstain

		Up to now		From now on (proposal)	
Glaciers and Ice Caps	(CR1+2):	Maaike Izeboud	2022 – 2026	Christina Draeger	2026 – 2030
Ice Sheets and Shelves	(CR2+1):	Violaine Coulon	2024 –	Violaine Coulon	2024 – 2028
Sea, Lake and River Ice	(CR3+6):	Luisa von Albedyll	2023 – 2026	Lettie Roach	2026 – 2030
Permafrost & Geomorph.	(CR4+5):	[VACANT]	2025 –	Samuel Weber*	2026 – 2030
Snow	(CR5+4):	Cristina Peréz Guillén	2024 –	Cristina Peréz Guillén	2024 – 2028
Instruments & Methods	(CR6+3):	[NEW, VACANT]	2025 –	Falk Oraschewski*	2026 – 2030

*** Involved in the organisation of the GA2026 already!**

CR – Cryospheric Sciences

Programme Group Chair: Daniel Farinotti

- CR1 – The State of the Cryosphere: Past, Present, Future
- CR2 – Ice sheets, ice shelves and glaciers
- CR3 – Sea, Lake and River Ice
- CR4 – Frozen ground, debris-covered glaciers and geomorphology
- CR5 – Snow and ice: properties, processes, hazards
- CR6 – Instrumental and paleo-archive observations, analyses, and data-driven methods in the cryospheric sciences
- CR7 – The Cryosphere in the Earth system: interdisciplinary topics
- CR8 – Short Courses (SC) Education and Outreach Sessions (EOS)

Interested in engaging with the CR Division or considering becoming a CR Officer?

Meet the Cryospheric Sciences division team
Location: EGU booth – Hall X2
Wed, 06 May, 12:30–13:30 CEST

Sort of event in the program-group "NET" ;-)

Division Structure (3 of 3): CR EDI Officer

↳ Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion

VOTE: Do you agree to create this new officer position?
RESULT: ~180 Yes / 0 No / 0 Abstain

The EGU Council encourages the Divisions to install a new officer position: the EDI Officer

Responsibilities of the EDI Officer:

- Advise the Division President about EDI-related issues and initiatives raised by the CR members and the EGU EDI Committee
- Collect timely feedback on EDI-related matters from members
- Support the Division President and EDI Committee implementing division-relevant EDI actions
- Interface with and provide feedback to the EGU EDI Committee
- Participate in 3 to 4 dedicated EDI Committee meetings planned throughout the year
- Prepare information about EDI events (EGU-wide and division specific), initiatives and issues, and report at the CR Division Meeting
- Support the EGU EDI Committee at the General Assembly (e.g., EGU EDI booth, EDI networking events, ...)

Interested? Visit the EGU EDI booth or meet at the "Meet the CR Division team" event (tomorrow, EGU booth, 12:30-13:30)!

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CR Policy Activities

Division Policy Officer (PO): Marie Cavitte (2024 -)

Job: Valorisation manager, bclimate group @ VUB WATER AND CLIMATE DEPARTMENT (Belgium)
Research: AntArchitecture, SMB in East Antarctica, polar geoengineering

Policy roles: Member of the EGU Climate Hazard and Risk Task Force (2025-28); CR Division Policy Officer, interfacing between bclimate/EGU & European/national policy

Why engage in policy??

To inform policymakers & improve policy outcomes

To mitigate risks and uncertainties

To increase the impact of your research & expertise

To expand your network & create new opportunities

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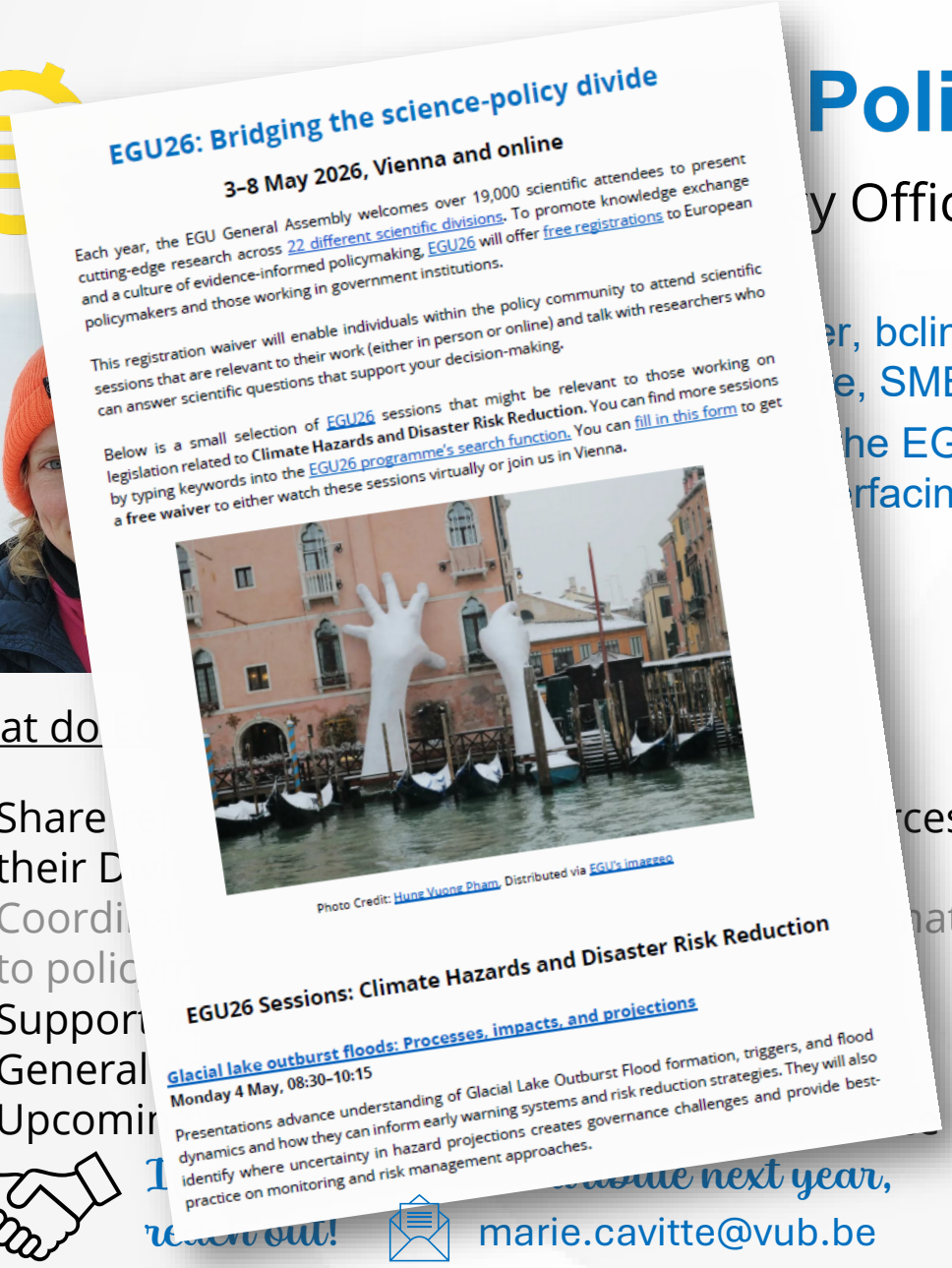

EGU26: Bridging the science-policy divide

3–8 May 2026, Vienna and online

Each year, the EGU General Assembly welcomes over 19,000 scientific attendees to present cutting-edge research across 22 different scientific divisions. To promote knowledge exchange and a culture of evidence-informed policymaking, EGU26 will offer free registrations to European policymakers and those working in government institutions.

This registration waiver will enable individuals within the policy community to attend scientific sessions that are relevant to their work (either in person or online) and talk with researchers who can answer scientific questions that support your decision-making.

Below is a small selection of EGU26 sessions that might be relevant to those working on legislation related to **Climate Hazards and Disaster Risk Reduction**. You can find more sessions by typing keywords into the EGU26 programme's search function. You can fill in this form to get a **free waiver** to either watch these sessions virtually or join us in Vienna.

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EGU26 Sessions: Climate Hazards and Disaster Risk Reduction

Glacial lake outburst floods: Processes, impacts, and projections

Monday 4 May, 08:30–10:15

Presentations advance understanding of Glacial Lake Outburst Flood formation, triggers, and flood dynamics and how they can inform early warning systems and risk reduction strategies. They will also identify where uncertainty in hazard projections creates governance challenges and provide best-practice on monitoring and risk management approaches.

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What I have been up to:

- Share with Division EC Arctic Policy update call
- Share relevant papers on state of the cryosphere
- Prepare lists of policy-relevant EGU26 sessions
- Contact policymakers to present / join EGU – this year EU Commission, Parliament, JRC, agencies, national climate/environmental agencies, …
- Convening 4 policy sessions @EGU26: US7 climate risks and hazards, US8 Greenovation, GDB3 geoengineering, EOS science-policy
- Promote Science4Policy sessions: SPM, SC, EOS…

Join a science for policy session at EGU26

Learn about opportunities to engage in policymaking & develop skills to help you communicate with policymakers!

Cross-cutting themes

- Art-Science
- GeoCinema
- Science for Policy
- EDI

EGU's Science for Policy Help Desk

Every day at the EGU Booth from 12:00 - 13:00 (Hall X2) !

Connect with others working on the science-policy interface!

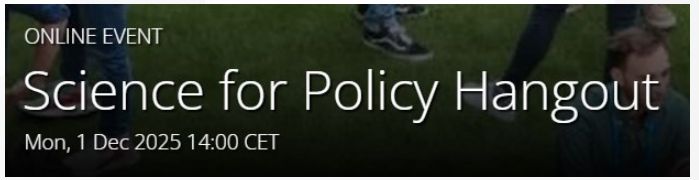
Opportunities to expand the network:

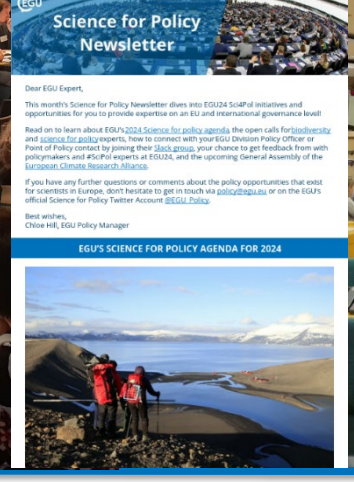
Sign up to the Slack group now to join the #Science4Policy discussion!

> you can contact EGU Policy Officers there <

Science for Policy Hangouts:
EGU-wide casual discussions for all

EGU website





Subscribe to the EGU's Science for Policy Newsletter!

Monthly updates on:

- EGU's #Sci4Pol activities
- Opportunities to engage with policymakers
- Science-policy events and workshops
- Geoscience-relevant policy news

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Cryosphere Early Career Scientist

Cryospheric Sciences Division

"… an undergraduate or postgraduate (Masters/PhD) student or a scientist who has received his or her highest degree (BSc, MSc, or PhD) within the past seven years* "

*where appropriate, the seven-year period can be extended to allow for periods when the scientist was not working in science because of, but not limited to, caring and/or parental responsibilities, disability, personal illness, community obligations or national service

- ECS = 60% of Cryosphere Division
- Divisional ECS Reps put together a strategy to guide union-wide ECS Rep
- Aim to actively shape the GA and wider EGU activity
- Represent issues and topics key to Early Career Scientists!

What have we done EGU25 – EGU26?

CR Blog **: 22+ blog posts** in the past year

Early career scientist team of ICCI at **COP30**

Cryosphere Caps: **PhD hats and the researchers that wear them :PhD Series** by Mack (several blog posts sharing images of PhD hats & stories behind them)

CR ECS: The Team

Representative

Aakriti Srivastava

Blog Chief Editors
Leah Sophie Muhle
Mack Rae Baysinger

Outreach Officer
Rahul Dey

We are always looking for new people!

Contact ecs-cr@egu.eu if interested.

Regular blog editors:
Christina Draeger
Mirjam Paasch
Emma Pearce
...but we have room for many more!

ECS co-rep
You?
(incoming)

Follow us!

…Thank you to the outgoing chief editors: Maria Scheel, Lina Madaj and Loeka Jongejans and all our amazing blog authors over the past year!

Get involved | ecs-cr@egu.eu

ECS Activities at EGU GA 2026

Social events:

- Division-wide network pop-up event: **Wednesday 6th May** (19:00-22:30) @ Brandauers Schlossbräu
- Cryosphere women and non-binary lunch: **Monday 4th May** (12:30 - 13:30) @ EGU networking terrace G (purple level)
- Meet the CR Division and Cryosphere blog lunch**: Wednesday 6th May** (12:30 - 13:30) @ EGU booth (Hall X2) and EGU networking zone (next to)

Social Media:

Bluesky (210): **@egu-cr.bsky.social** | Facebook(510+): **@EGU Cryosphere Division** | LinkedIn: **@EGU Cryospheric Sciences Division**

Scientific Programme:

67 sessions of CR (last year 47)

73% of CR sessions include EDI logo

34/67 sessions convened by ECS, 56/67 sessions co-convened by ECS

(last year: 18/47 sessions convened by ECS, 43/47 sessions co-convened by ECS)

Join us & shape the ECS community!

Early Career Scientist: get involved with our EGU Cryosphere Division.

We are looking for new members who like to organize campfires, networking events, or blog writing and editing.
We offer you the space while you meet the experts and ECS colleagues in the field!

We are looking for you!
Join our ECS team
and get involved in our CR division

Apply Now!

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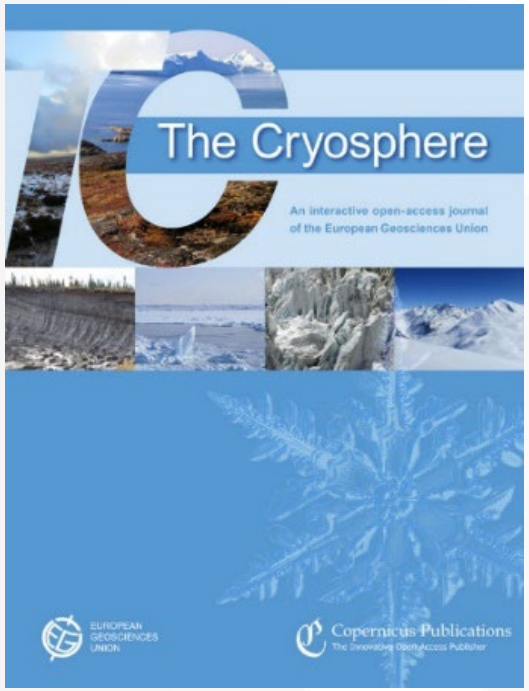
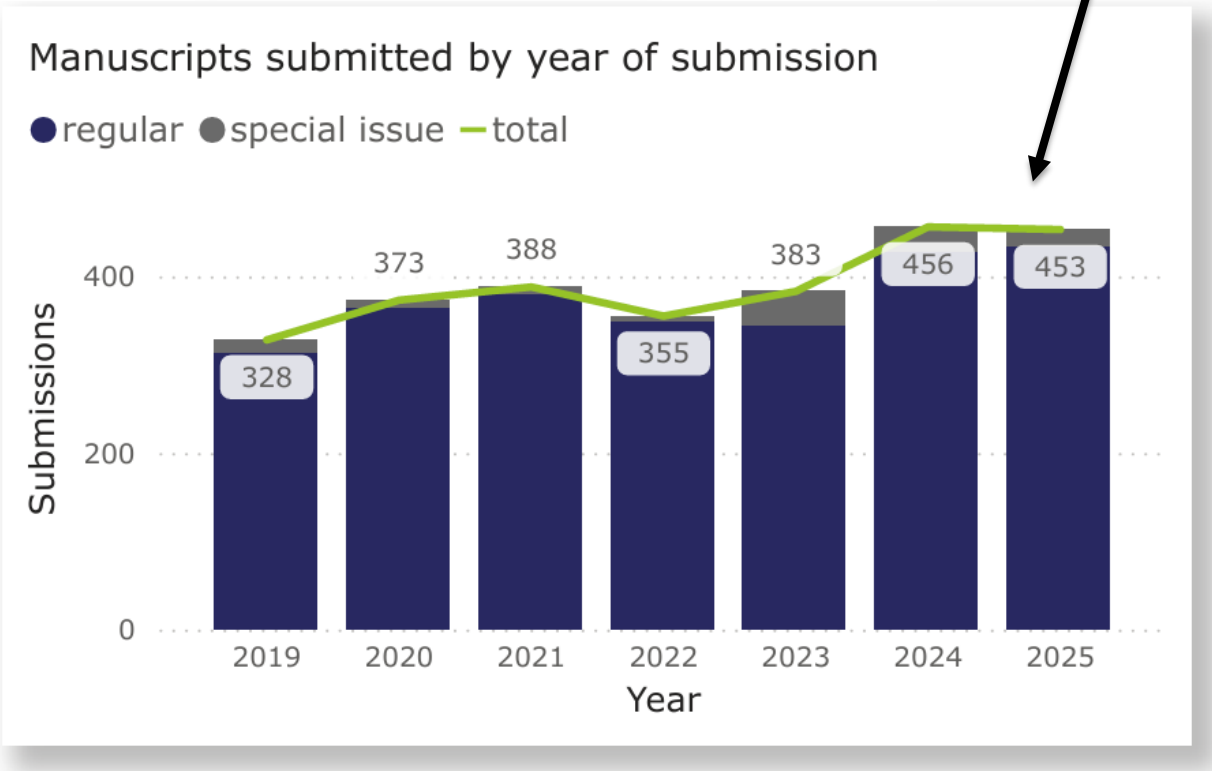
The Cryosphere

rejection ~18%





Co-Editors-In-Chief

Nanna Bjørnholt Karlsson

Caroline Clason

Chris Derksen

Christian Haas

Hanna Lee

Stepping down …

Christian Hauck

Thomas Mölg

The Cryosphere

Some more statistics (2025)

- Submission to publication: ~300 days
- Submission to open discussion start: 31 days

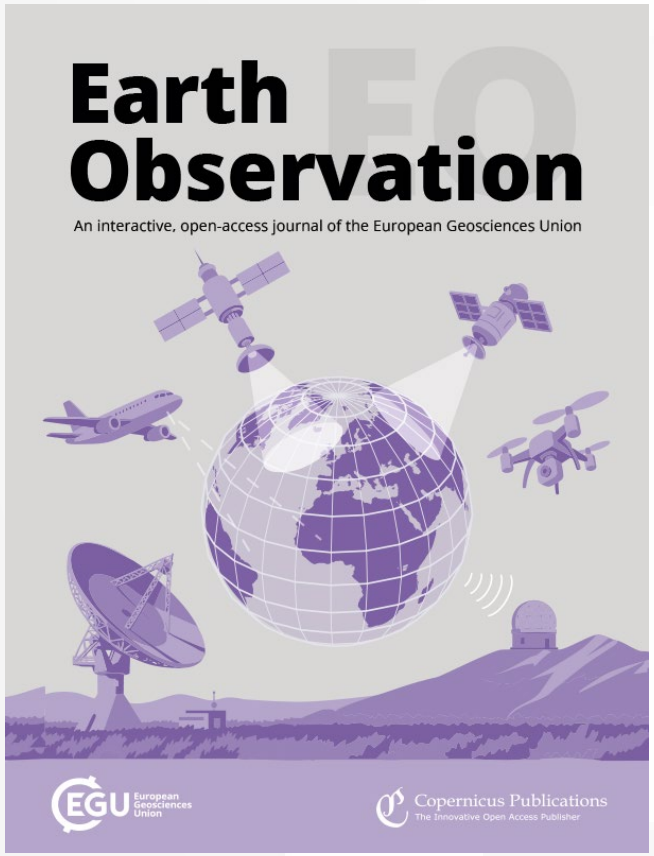
What we want you to know

- All editorial work for EGU is voluntary, is not a paid job
- Please reply to reviewing requests
- TC is a strong financial pillar of EGU (>100k EUR in 2025)
- “Meet the chief editors of TC” event – Wed, 14:00-15:00, Entrance Hall Booth

BIG THANK YOU

Reviewer Awards 2025: Manu Holmberg, Cristina Pérez-Guillén, Louis Védrine, Rodrigo Aguayo

Publications: other news



- **New journal launched** in January 2026: **Earth Observation** (EO)
- Dedicated to *"studies and original research on Earth observation technologies and methods"*.
- Listing "Cryosphere" amongst the subject areas
- Jonathan Bamber and Andreas Kääb amongst the co-editors in chief

- **New EGU manuscript type** (several journals, not only EO)**: Limitations, Errors, Surprises, and Shortcomings as Opportunities for New Science (LESSONS)**
- Idea: provide an outlet for "negative results" that are worth sharing.

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EGU Medals and Awards

How do you get a Medal or an Award?

- Nominations can be handed in by any EGU member (but no self-nominations)
- Candidates do not need to be EGU members
- Nominations are screened and awardees are selected by dedicated Award and Medal Committees

Division Medals and Awards

- Julia & Johannes Weertman Medal (for "mid-career" CR researchers)
- Outstanding Early Career Scientist Award
- Outstanding Student and PhD candidate Presentation (OSPP) Award

From the oECS Awardees of all Divisions, **four get selected** by the Union's Awards Committee:
Arne Richter Award for oECS

Please help judging the 2026 OSPPs!

- All OSPPs are marked in the program and all of us can vote!

Deadline for proposing candidates for 2027-Awards: 15 June 2026

Detailed guidelines: https://www.egu.eu/awards-medals/nominations/

2025 Awards for Outstanding Student and PhD candidate Presentations

Leah Sophie Muhle

PICO!

Towards a new method for estimating englacial attenuation

Antoine Savard

Poster!

A new parameterization of dilation using GODAR

Katie Lowery

Poster!

Drivers of ice shelf basal melt on Pine Island Glacier: ocean vs geometry?

➡ **https://www.egu.eu/awards-medals/ospp-award/2025/**

2026 Medal and Award

Lectures:
Tonight (05.05.2026)
19:00-20:00, Room F1
Be there & bring your friends!

Olaf Eisen

Julia and Johannes Weertman Medal

The 2026 Medal is awarded to Olaf Eisen for outstanding contributions to the application of geophysical methods to glaciers and ice sheets, and extensive professional service to the cryospheric community.

Kaitlin Naughten

Arne Richter Award for Outstanding ECS

The 2026 Award is conferred to Kaitlin Naughten for pioneering modelling studies of Antarctic ice–ocean interactions and their implications for sea-level rise, as well as for outstanding leadership in polar climate science.

New for 2027: EGU Fellows

Background

- For its 25th anniversary, EGU intends to introduce a new recognition: the one of **EGU Fellows**
- Similar as for other scientific societies, the programme is meant to recognize scientific excellence and service to the EGU: *"The EGU Fellows programme recognises exceptional contributions to Earth, planetary, and space science through innovative scientific studies and publications, groundbreaking discoveries, and progress on key scientific questions. Fellows have shown leadership in EGU values, including but not limited to scientific excellence and integrity, open science and collaboration, equality, diversity, and inclusion (EDI), sustainability and societal benefit, and supporting early-career scientists. Fellows are expected to support the aims and activities of EGU, and to promote scientific and societal progress in various ways, including policy advice, public engagement and science communication."*

What to expect

- Detailed call for EGU Fellows to be posted soon
- Nomination package similar as for Medals
  (1 nomination letter, up to 3 support letters, CV and publication list of the candidate)
- First cohort of Fellows to be presented during EGU GA2027
- Selection made by the EGU Council based on a recommendation of the Divisions
  (intention for CR: run the selection via the CR Medal Committee)

Please do nominate!

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Funds for running training schools or conferences

The EGU Topical Events Committee provides financial support for training schools and conference organisers.

Idea: facilitate participation of ECS and support quality of the scientific programme.

Group picture of the 2024 Karthaus Summer School © Carleen Tijm-Reijmer

For details and to
submit an application (DL15.05.2026)

https://www.egu.eu/meetings/support-requests/application/

Any Other Business?

Feedback, general comments, questions, …

Before you go:

- EGU GA2027: **04-09 April 2027, same place** (ACV, hybrid, as this year)
- Please help rating the OSPPs
- Remember to propose Medal and Awards candidates by 15 June 2026
- Please provide feedback to EGU as a whole! general-assembly@egu.eu