



Mashhad 2020

Regional Conference on Geomorphology

**IAG - RCG 2020**

**Mashhad - IRAN**

**26-28 October 2020**

**First Circular**

Regional Conference on Geomorphology



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Ferdowsi University of Mashhad



**“ Desert and arid environments:  
opening opportunities for geomorphologists  
to share research experiences ”**

**Preliminary Scientific Sessions\***

- Desert Geomorphology
- Climatic Geomorphology
- Tectonic Geomorphology
- Epistemology in Geomorphology
- Karst Geomorphology
- Fluvial Geomorphology
- Quantitative Geomorphology and Modeling
- Hillslope Processes and Landforms
- Geomorphology and Landscape Change
- Urban Geomorphology
- Quaternary Geomorphology
- Geoheritage, Geodiversity, and Geoparks
- Geomorphological Hazards
- Anthropocene, Civilization, and Geoarchaeology

\* IAG working groups have been invited to propose topical sessions.



## Important Dates

Call for abstracts:	10 December 2019
Opening of registration*:	10 December 2019
Opening of field trip registration :	10 December 2019
Abstract submission deadline:	15 June 2020

\* Available payment methods are cash payment or on-desk payment at the conference site.

## Conference Programme

26-28 October 2020	Scientific sessions
27 October 2020	IAG Council Meeting
28 October 2020	Social dinner
29 October - 2 November 2020	Training school
29 October - 1 November 2020	Post-Conference field trip



## Post-Conference Field Trip Program

The IAG-RCG 2020 Conference will include a 4-day field trip to visit scenic and remarkable desert landforms of Iran such as sand dunes, playa lakes and yardangs. The field trip may be extended 1 or 2 days. During the excursion, we will arrange 2-nights' accommodation in a Caravanserai, which is an outstanding and comfortable desert lodging. More information about the exact dates of the excursion will be announced soon on the conference website and in the second circular.

## Accommodation

The accommodation during the conference will be provided in hotels inside the campus of the university. The registration-fee covers the cost of 4-nights' campus hotel. For delegates who would like to stay outside the campus, a list of hotels and prices will be available on the conference website.

## IAG Intensive Course

### FIELD TRAINING SCHOOL ON "DESERT GEOMORPHOLOGY"

Number of participants: 15

As part of the Conference program, the IAG Intensive Course for Young Geomorphologists will be held from 29 October to 1 November 2020 at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad (FUM) and field trip places.

The Training School will be focused on desert landforms and processes such as:

- Wind Erosion
- Geomorphological Mapping of Desert and Arid zones
- Aeolian Processes and Sand Dune Dynamics
- Dust Storms and Geomorphological Hazards

## Conference Fees

Standard conference registration fee	350 Euros
Reduced conference registration fee*	250 Euros
Students, Honorary fellows, Retired, and National delegates	200 Euros
Accompanying persons	100 Euros
Field trip fee	350 Euros

\* Participants are eligible for 100 Euros discount on the conference fee, if their country (National Scientific Member) is financially-settled with the IAG's annual fee. Countries with current discount status are: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Congo, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Iran, Italy, Israel, Japan, Malta, Myanmar, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Kingdom, USA - AAG/GSG and Venezuela -- Updated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.


- The registration fee of the conference includes lunches and dinners during the conference, visiting Tomb of Ferdowsi, conference package (including proceedings book, and souvenirs of Iran), Social dinner, and 4-nights' accommodation.


## E-Visa


- The Electronic Visa (E-Visa) can be issued at the Mashhad International Airport upon arrival with the coordination of Ferdowsi University of Mashhad. Delegates will receive a Visa grant notice in advance.
- There is no difference between electronic and normal Visas in terms of duration.
- The new E-Visa provides foreigners the chance to visit Iran without any concern. With the E-Visa, passports of travelers entering Iran will not be stamped as the Visa is issued on a separate piece of paper.
- We will provide ahead of time all relevant information to apply for your E-Visa, which should be done through the following website (<https://evisatraveller.mfa.ir/en/request/>).
- More information about the Visa application procedure will be announced soon on the website.


## Conference Venue

Azadi Square, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Mashhad, IRAN

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