

1) *Student Paper Award - Deadline 31 January 2012*

Each chapter is eligible to select one student paper from their chapter to receive this award. Council Member [Nathalie Touze-Foltz](#) is chairing the Awards Task Force, she will be providing a detailed communication in this regard to all chapters.

- ◆ The winning student will be provided with *\$1,000US in funding* to support their attendance at the appropriate regional conference.
- ◆ Each winning student will be *expected to present their paper* in a designated session during the conference.
- ◆ Each winning student will be *recognized during a plenary session* at the same regional conference.
- ◆ Chapters must conduct their competition and review process and a winner must be selected and submitted to the IGS Secretary's office no later than *31 January 2012*

2) *Chapter Achievement Award - Deadline 1 December 2011*

Each chapter is eligible to select, if appropriate, one Chapter Member who has provided exemplary support in promoting the aims of the IGS and providing outstanding service to the chapter. If your chapter is interested in participating:

- ◆ Please conduct a democratic nomination process within your chapter to nominate and vote on an award winner
- ◆ Please provide a *written synopsis of the award winner's contributions/achievements* along with a photograph of the winner to the Secretary no later than 1 December 2011
- ◆ Please provide the winner's contact information to the Secretary
- ◆ The Award Winners will be *given a recognition award during a plenary session* of the appropriate regional conference.

3) *The 2nd IGS Photo Contest - Deadline 1 February 2012*

is now open to submissions! The 1<sup>st</sup> IGS Photo Contest held prior to the 9<sup>th</sup> ICG was a phenomenal success both from the submission and publication standpoint. We received in excess of 100 photos which were truly outstanding. The winning photos and many of the runners up have been used in various ways including: publication in books, in various Power Point presentations (by the likes of J.P. Giroud at National and International conferences), as part of the IGS booth and on the IGS Web site. Each

time the photos are used the submitter is properly credited! Please encourage your Chapter members to submit a photo (up to 5 per IGS Member) at [geosyntheticssociety.org/PhotoUpload.aspx](http://geosyntheticssociety.org/PhotoUpload.aspx)

### The 3 Regional Conferences of 2012

GeoAmericas 2012 - Lima, Peru • 2-6 May 2012

*Call for papers open through 31 May 2011*, details at: [GeoAmericas2012.com](http://GeoAmericas2012.com)

EuroGeo 5 - Valencia, Spain • 16-19 September 2012

*Call for papers open 1 June 2011 - 31 October 2011*, details at: [EuroGeo5.org](http://EuroGeo5.org)

GeoAsia 2012 - Bangkok, Thailand • 10-14 December 2012

*Call For papers open through 31 May 2011*, details at: [set.ait.ac.th/acsig/GA2012](http://set.ait.ac.th/acsig/GA2012)