



The Geological Society of Africa

Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development

23 – 27 September 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AFRICA (GSAf)

The Colloquium of African Geology (CAG) is a major biennial meeting, held under the auspices of the Geological Society of Africa, where earth scientists from around the globe have the opportunity to present their research on topics of African geology to an international forum of their peers. It also offers an opportunity to initiate, develop and implement projects which promote interaction between Academia, Industry and Society.



During the 29th Colloquium of African Geology (CAG29), hosted by Namibia, it was announced that the Colloquium (CAG30) would be hosted by Kenya during the final week of September 2025. This is an important edition as it will mark the 60th anniversary of the CAG and the 30th edition. The first edition held in Leeds in the United Kingdom was a landmark one as it led to the propagation and acceptance of the scientific revolutionary concept of “the Pan African Orogeny”. The CAG has grown over the years to be regarded as the “Olympics of African Geology”. The theme of the event will be: ***“Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development”***. The event will be attended by senior and early-career earth scientists from Academia, government, associations, mineral exploration and mining companies and civil societies, participation from politics and the media are also expected.

Career scientists from African countries and other developing regions are especially encouraged to regard this event as an opportunity to present their research to a wide audience, with participations from different sectors, countries, and continents. Kenya, the host country, boasts an interesting, heterogeneous geology covering some 2.6 billion years of earth history, with a wide variety of mineral deposits and mineralization styles, that have contributed - and still contribute - immensely to the country's economy. In addition, Kenya's impressive geomorphic landscapes have great potential for geotourism, while the host city, Nairobi, is a culturally diverse center of learning. Academically, the geoscientific sessions and excursions highlighted in this circular and following circulars promise to provide a deeper insight into the multi-faceted geological history of the African continent. I therefore enjoin all geoscientists globally, therefore, to start making plans to attend what will be an interesting and geologically fulfilling event, which will be held in Nairobi, Kenya from **23rd to 27th September, 2025**.

Prof. Olugbenga Okunlola; gbengaokunlola@yahoo.co.uk, and o.okunlola@mail.ui.edu.ng