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Dear participant

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On behalf of the International Glaciological Society (IGS), I would like to welcome you to Bilbao, Basque Country, Spain and to the International Symposium on Ice in a Sustainable Society. I would also like to extend an invitation to those of you who are not already members of the IGS, to join the Society.

We trust you will enjoy your stay here in Bilbao and benefit from the science being presented here. But we also hope you will enjoy visiting this wonderful part of the world.

This symposium we are embarking on is a ground breaker. It is the first time we have dedicated a whole symposium to the relationship between our science and humanity including the fields of sociology, art, culture, anthropology and many more.

Selected talks from this meeting will be published in a special thematic issue of the *Annals of Glaciology*. It is worth noting that all papers in the *Annals of Glaciology* are published as Gold Open Access.

IGS symposia and the *Annals of Glaciology* cover a myriad of subjects being addressed by glaciologists today. Membership of the Society not only brings you full online access to all IGS publications dating back to 1947, it also allows you to register for IGS symposia and workshops at a lower rate. In addition, IGS members get 10% discount on Article Processing Charges (APCs) when you publish in our journals

Already we are in the process of planning future meetings, which will highlight several different aspects of glaciology. Later this month we have a symposium in Juneau, Alaska on 'Maritime Glaciers'. In August we are collaborating with WMO, IACS and IAHS and many more on a symposium in Iceland on 'Ice, Snow and Water in a Warming World' and in September we will be in Davos, Switzerland with a symposium on 'Snow',

Next year we will be in Ireland and twice in Germany with themes on 'Edges of Glaciology' 'Sea Ice Across Spatial and Temporal Scales' and 'Ice Drilling'.

We are planning symposia several years into the future: we are booking for 2026/7. So there is a lot to look forward to. Please keep checking our website for the latest news.

For us to continue to organize our symposia we need the support of our members, so please renew your membership and, if you are not a member already, please join us. You can fill in a membership application form online through our website – the more members we have the stronger our Society and the better it will be able to serve its members and the science in which we all have an interest.

I trust you will enjoy this Symposium and resolve to be with us again in the future.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary General