



## Geosciences Information for Teachers (GIFT) Workshop 2019

### PLATE TECTONICS AND EARTH'S STRUCTURE - YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW Austria Center, Vienna, April 8-10, 2019

#### PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT AND APPLICATION FORM

**GIFT-2019** will take place in Vienna, **April 8-10, 2019**, during the General Assembly of the European Geosciences Union. It will be preceded on Sunday, **April 7**, by a guided visit to the splendid Vienna Natural History Museum, one of the most renowned in the world.

The theme of our workshop this year is « **Plate tectonics and earth's structure – yesterday, today, tomorrow** ». Over two and a half days, the workshop will explore the major processes and structures of plate tectonics and our planet, through topical presentations from scientists at the cutting-edge of research, together with hands-on teaching activities, following the tradition of GIFT workshops.

Teachers are also invited on a voluntary basis, to present classroom strategies and activities that they may have developed with their pupils in the poster session « Science in future Classrooms » which is an integral part of the GIFT workshop.

Interested teachers should apply using the application form below to be sent either to the regional (national) representative of the Committee on Education of EGU or directly to [education@egu.eu](mailto:education@egu.eu)

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**The closing date for receipt of completed applications is November 12, 2018!**

Teachers will be notified of the results of their application by December 10, 2018.

Successful teachers will be partially sponsored (travel, living expenses in Vienna and registration for the General Assembly, as well as free public transportation in Vienna).

# **GIFT 2019 WORKSHOP Teacher Application Form**

**EGU General Assembly April 8-10, 2019 Vienna Austria**

## **Plate tectonics and earth's structure – yesterday, today, tomorrow**

Grants are available to support teachers to participate in the 2019 Geosciences Information for Teachers (GIFT) Symposium at the 2019 European Geosciences Union (EGU) General Assembly in Vienna, Austria.

Participating teachers will be selected, based on their teaching experience and a supporting statement from their school administration. Selected teachers are expected to attend the entire workshop and submit a statement within one year after the workshop on their impressions of the workshop and how they plan to use this experience in their future teaching activities.

**Please print or type.**

Mr./Mrs./Ms./ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Family name) (First name) (Initials)

**Residential address: (needed if you do not regularly read your e-mail at school!)**

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Home tel. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Home e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**School name and address:**

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School tel. \_\_\_\_\_ School fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

School e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of School:**

\_\_\_\_Elementary \_\_\_\_Middle/Junior High School \_\_\_\_High School

\_\_\_\_City \_\_\_\_Suburban \_\_\_\_Rural

Provide school web site if available: \_\_\_\_\_

**If the travel bursary does not cover all your travel expenses to attend GIFT, will your school or some other source cover the additional expenses? - If so, which?**

**Have you attended GIFT previously?**

If so, please put down the year and theme of the GIFT workshop \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment record and professional activities (list current first)**

Date(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ (age of students) \_\_\_\_\_

**College/university education:**

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Country Degree/Year \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

**List university-level courses, workshops, and/or training programs you have taken in Earth or Environmental Science or related fields.**

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(Teacher Signature)

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(Date)

Please **attach separate pages (maximum two A4 pages) which contain answers to the following questions:**

1. Describe your experience of teaching science/geography.
2. Describe your experience in developing curriculum.
3. Describe your experience of connecting science/geography content to local and/or national educational standards.
4. Describe your experience of training other teachers.
5. How would you describe or rate your written and oral communication skills in English?
6. How would your participation in the GIFT workshop benefit you professionally?
7. How would the GIFT experience benefit your school, school district, and/or province/country?

**A Letter of Recommendation by your school principal or appropriate supervisor is required for each application which will include the following wording. This letter is attached separately!**

“I recommend the above applicant as a GIFT 2019 Workshop participant and agree to support the teacher if he/she is required to take time away from school to participate in this workshop and to facilitate the teacher’s role in providing feedback to their colleagues and as a resource provider on the use of geoscience research across the curriculum following this experience.”

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(Signature)

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(Date)

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(Title)

Please add comments: