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## 1. Change of address of Bureau Member, Prof. Harsh Gupta

Prof. Harsh Gupta has accepted the position of Secretary of the Department of Ocean Development for the Government of India in New Delhi. He will maintain an office in the National Geophysical Research Institute in Hyderabad, but address lists should be changed to show his new coordinates. We congratulate him on his new duties, and are pleased that he will be able to continue to serve as a Member of the IUGG Bureau.

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## 2. IUGG support for international meetings

The IUGG budget for 2000-2003 approved at the 1999 Birmingham Assembly provides \$15,000 to be distributed annually to support international meetings. IUGG Associations and ICSU Interdisciplinary Bodies and International Research Programmes compete for these limited funds. This money is primarily used to assist young scientists and scientists from developing countries. For 2000, the following meetings received support.

- Cities on Volcanoes II, Auckland, New Zealand Feb 12-16
- Symposium on Vertical Reference Systems, Cartagena, Colombia Feb 20-23
- Workshop on Seismic Tomography and Accurate Hypocenter Location, Orvuedi, Umbria, Italy June 1-6

- Workshop on Long-term Changes and Trends in the Atmosphere, Prague, Czech Republic June 25-29
  - Assembly: A New Hydrology for a Thirsty Planet, Maastricht, The Netherlands July 18-27
  - Symposium on the Role of Ocean on Climate Variability over South America, Mar del Plata, Argentina October 21-28
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### **3. IUGG participation in time and frequency issues**

The Bureau International des Poids et Mesures (BIPM) has called the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Consultative Committee for Time and Frequency in Sevres, France, in June 2001. IUGG/IAG was invited to send a representative, and Dr. Claude Boucher has kindly agreed to participate.

The International Telecommunication Union, Radiocommunication Bureau, has invited IUGG/IAG to participate in the work of a Special Rapporteur Group to discuss the definition and use of Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) for radiocommunication and telecommunications purposes. Dr. Daniel Gambis has kindly agreed to serve on this Study Group.

IUGG is grateful to the International Association of Geodesy (IAG) and these scientists for their dedication to these important tasks.

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### **4. IUGG meetings occurring during March-May, 2001**

A calendar of meetings of interest to IUGG disciplines (especially those organized by IUGG Associations) has been added to the IUGG Web Site [[www.IUGG.org](http://www.IUGG.org)]. For more complete information about these meetings, please consult the web site.

- March 12-16, IAG, Zurich, Switzerland, 1st International Symposium on Robust Statistics and Fuzzy Techniques in Geodesy and GIS
  - March 19-22, SPARC [Stratospheric Processes And their Role in Climate], Heidelberg, Germany, Workshop on Nitrogen Oxides in the Lower Stratosphere and Upper Troposphere
  - March 19-21, COSPAR/ESA, Darmstadt, Germany, Space Debris
  - May 20-24, SEDI [Studies of Earth's Deep Interior], Virginia, USA, Eleventh Annual V. M. Goldschmidt Conference
  - May 22-24, IAG, Wuhan University, China, Monitoring of Constructions and Local Geodynamic Processes
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