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Leading up to Earth Science Week 2017, the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) invites you to enter its new "Earth Connections" contest. Submit a 30- to 90-second original video that tells viewers about how people have an impact on Earth systems, or how Earth systems have an impact on people, in your part of the world.

Earth Science Week 2017 (October 8-14) is engaging young people and others in exploring the relationship between human activity and Earth systems, including the geosphere (earth), hydrosphere (water), atmosphere (air), and biosphere (life). This year's celebration promotes public understanding and stewardship of the planet, especially in terms of the ways people affect and are affected by these Earth systems.

"We see such interactions in energy, technology, climate change, the environment, natural disasters, industry, agriculture, recreation, tourism, and other areas," says Edward C. Robeck, AGI's Director of Education and Outreach. "Tell us how you see people interacting with Earth systems to make the most of opportunities and manage challenges."

The contest is open to individuals or teams of interested persons of any age in any part of the world. All eligible submissions must be received electronically by 5 p.m. ET, Friday, October 13, 2017. Winners will be announced following Earth Science Week, AGI's international public awareness campaign to promote the geosciences. The winner will receive a prize of \$300 and a copy of AGI's Geoscience Handbook.

To learn more, see the official contest website at <http://www.earthsciweek.org/earth-connections>.

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Reaching over 50 million people annually, Earth Science Week has been led by AGI in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community since 1998. Earth Science Week 2017 will be celebrated October 8-14, 2017. To learn more, please visit [www.earthsciweek.org](http://www.earthsciweek.org). To order Toolkits, please visit [www.earthsciweek.org/materials](http://www.earthsciweek.org/materials). You may also call AGI Publications to place your order at 703-379-2480.

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The American Geosciences Institute is a nonprofit federation of geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 250,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and interaction with the environment.

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