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ALEXANDRIA, Va. - For this year's Earth Science Week (October 13-19, 2019), the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is sponsoring four contests honoring this year's theme, "Geoscience Is for Everyone." This year's competitions will feature the traditional video, photography, visual arts, and essay contests:

- Teams and individuals of any age are invited to submit brief videos that tell viewers about their "Many Paths to Earth Science."
- The photo contest, also open to all ages, asks participants to show how people in their communities are "Exploring Earth Science."
- Open to students in grades K-5, the visual arts contest encourages children to depict "Earth Science and Me."
- Finally, students in grades 6-9 are eligible to enter the essay contest, "Why Earth Science Is for Everyone."

For all contests, entries may be submitted any time up to the Friday of Earth Science Week, October 18, 2019. These contests allow both students and the general public to participate in the celebration, learn about Earth science, and compete for prizes. The first-place prize for each contest is \$300 and an AGI publication.

To learn more about these contests, including how to enter, visit http://www.earthsciweek.org/contests.

Reaching more than 50 million people annually, Earth Science Week is led by AGI in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community as a service to the public. Each October, community groups, educators, and interested citizens organize celebratory events. Earth Science Week offers opportunities to discover the Earth sciences and engage in responsible stewardship of the Earth. Learn more at http://www.earthsciweek.org.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is a nonprofit federation of more than 50 scientific and professional associations that represents over a quarter-million geoscientists. 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.

AGI is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

The American Geosciences Institute represents and serves the geoscience community by providing collaborative leadership and information to connect Earth, science, and people.

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