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ALEXANDRIA, Va. – The American Meteorological Society (AMS) has joined the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) as the AGI Federation's 52nd Member Society. The admission of AMS to the AGI Federation was formally approved by the AGI Member Society Council on October 23, 2017, at the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting in Seattle.

"AMS brings significant professional and scientific credentials to the AGI Federation in the areas of atmospheric, oceanic, and hydrologic science," said AGI Executive Director Allyson Anderson Book. "At AGI, we envision a world that understands and trusts the role of the geosciences in fostering creative solutions for the Earth and humanity, and partnering with AMS brings us closer to that vision, strengthening our Federation's voice on topics that impact everyone, particularly weather hazards and climate change."

With 12,600 members including scientists, educators, and broadcast meteorologists, the addition of AMS to the AGI Federation builds a more inclusive and interdisciplinary geoscience community.

"AMS shares the AGI vision for a world that is more aware of the role of the geosciences in their lives," said AMS Executive Director Keith Seitter. "We are happy to have the 12,600 AMS members in the atmospheric and related sciences join the AGI Federation working collaboratively toward that goal."

To learn more about AMS, AGI's 52nd Member Society, go to <https://www.ametsoc.org/ams>. For a list of all of AGI's Member Societies and the current representatives on the Member Society Council, go to <https://www.americangeosciences.org/member-societies>.

About AMS

Founded in 1919, AMS is the leading voice in promoting and advancing the atmospheric and related oceanic and hydrologic sciences. We are committed to supporting and strengthening the weather, water, and climate community to ensure society fully benefits from scientific education, research, and understanding.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is a nonprofit federation of 52 scientific and professional associations that represents more than 260,000 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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