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COMMITTEE

Community - Collaboration - Celebration

2025 Annual Conference Registration is Live!

April 24-26, 2025
Savannah, GA
Visit www.geoprofessional.org for more
information and to register
Hotel space is limited



RECENT SUCCESSES

Business Practices: The 2024 Financial Survey Webinar took place on November 22 and the 2024 State of the Workplace Survey results were presented on December 12. *Converting Interns into Full Time Hires* Best Practices was published and available for download in the GBA store.

Business Technology: Published the Business Brief *Beyond gINT: A New Era in Geotechnical Data Management*

Environmental Business: *PFAS News and Opportunities #2* was published in the January 22, 2025 NEWSlog

Emerging Issues & Trends: Mike Yost, Chief Administration Office at Terracon, presented on obtaining tax credits under the Inflation Reduction Act

Geotechnical Business: Hosted a presentation by Ross Cutts about Geosetta, a platform for hosting subsurface investigation/geotechnical data from various publicly funded sources.

Multimedia Delivery: Released the next episode of the Management Best Practices Podcast series, *Professional Goal Setting*.



The inaugural **GBA Book Club** was held on January 23, 2025. The next meeting will be held during the 2025 Annual Conference.

February 28, 2025 - Deadline for Crystal Ball Workshop participant nominations.

April 24-26, 2025 - Annual Conference Savannah, GA - REGISTRATION OPEN

November 12-14, 2025 - Fall Leadership Summit Ritz Carlton Denver Hotel

Future Annual Conferences - Save the Dates

April 23-25, 2026 - Phoenix, AZ

April 15-17, 2027 - Vancouver, British Columbia

THANK YOU COMMITTEES!

Questions about GBA Committees? Contact Andrea Gorski at andrea@geoprofessional.org



Joe Meiburger, P.E. (Emerging Leaders and EIT Committee) discusses GeoKits with Fall Leadership Summit participants.

Committee Announcements

- Business Practices is looking for moderators for the Business Round Table sessions at the 2025 Annual Conference. If interested in volunteering, please contact Andrea Gorski.
- Environmental Business is looking to add members to their Natural and Cultural Resources working group. If interested, please contact Andrea Gorski at andrea@geoprofessional.org.
- Emerging Issues & Trends recently sent out a Think Tank
 Topic Survey to committee members. Please send
 potential presentation topics to Andrea Gorski.
- All Committees: Be on the lookout for the 2026 Annual Conference Call for Abstracts in February.

2024-25 Initiatives

Business Practices

- · Interviewing White Paper
- 2024 Financial Survey Update
- Utilizing Outside Board Members Best Practices Document
- 2024 State of the Workplace Survey
- 2024 Software Survey
- 2024 Best Practices to Convert Interns to Entry Level Hires
- 2025 Career Continuum Project Management

Business Technology

- LIMS Document
- Artificial Intelligence Six-part NEWSlog Series
- gINT Replacement Options

CoMET

- Important Information on CoMET QA
- Crane Pad Best Practices Document Collaboration with Geotechnical Business
- Field Documentation Presentation Collaboration with Legal Affairs & Environmental
- 2025 Career Continuum Introduction to Proposals

Emerging Issues and Trends

- Think Tank Monthly Meetings
- 2025 Career Continuum Fundamental Elements of Communication

Environmental Business

- Phase I State of the Practice
- Field Documentation Presentation Collaboration with Legal Affairs and CoMET
- PFAS 2.0 Article
- 2025 Career Continuum Fundamentals of Contracts

Geotechnical Business

- Guidance Document on Public Sharing of Geotechnical Data
- Higher Ground Document: Power of Peer Review
- Buried Tree Case History
- Field Documentation Presentation Collaboration with Legal Affairs, Environmental, and CoMET
- Crane Pad Certification Collaboration with CoMET
- 2025 Career Continuum Business Development
- Message to Clients

Inclusion Advancement

- Updated Mentoring Document
- Inclusive Speech Best Practices Document
- 2025 Career Continuum Soft Skills Fundamentals

Multimedia Delivery

- Leadership Lounge Series
- Management Best Practices podcast series
- Case History 114, 50, and 55 podcasts
- GBA Podcast Best Practices Document
- 2025 Career Continuum Getting Involved and Staying Current

Peer Review

- Provide "Scrubbed" Reports
- Conduct Scheduled Peer Reviews
- Provide New Peer Reviewer Training
- Revise List of Peer Reviewers and Captains

New Members

Paxton Anderson, P.E. (Strata, Inc.) - Business Technology Neal Berliner, G.E. (Geocon Incorporated) - EIT Matthew Bielaski, P.Eng., QP RA ESA (Grounded Engineering, Inc) - Business Practices

Andrea Cano Sanchez, G.E. (Verdantas LLC) - Geotechnical Business Erich Hahn, P.E. (Inberg-Miller Engineers) - Business Technology

Marc Johnston, P.E. (NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC) - CoMET David Kwasiborski (ECS Midwest) - Environmental Business

Zachary Luscher, F.E., EIT (NGE-TFT) - Geotechnical Business

Matt Moler, P.E. (S&ME, Inc) - Business Technology and EIT Shelby Russ-Negro (DOWL) - EIT

Brandon Saeger, P.E. (Terracon) - CoMET

Christina Stauffer, Ed.D (GTA, Inc) - Inclusion Advancement

