

## INTRODUCTION

### **To the South African National Reports to the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics for the period: 2003 : 2006**

The General Assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG) takes place every four years. The 24th Assembly will be held in the historic town of Perugia, Italy, from 02 to 13 July 2007.

South Africa has been a full member of the IUGG since 1924, and has contributed actively to all the disciplines contained within the Associations of the IUGG. The period 2003 to 2006 has been no less active, and the attached reports highlight the activities of South African scientists in geophysics and geodesy over the past four years. In alphabetic order, the Associations and the South African National Correspondents are:

- ❖ International International Association of Geodesy (IAG)  
- Mr A Parker
- ❖ International Association of Geomagnetism and Aeronomy (IAGA)  
- Dr P Kotzé
- ❖ International Association of Hydrological Sciences (IAHS)  
- Dr D Hughes
- ❖ International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences (IAMAS)  
- Mr M Majodina
- ❖ International Association for the Physical Sciences of the Oceans (IAPSO)  
- Dr I Ansorge
- ❖ International Association of Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior (IASPEI)  
- Dr L Linzer
- ❖ International Association of Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth's Interior (IAVCEI)  
- Dr J S Marsh

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