

# SEPM Country Ambassadors

## Role and Purpose

To promote SEPM in their country as a premier learned society in the area of sedimentary geology to students and faculty in Universities and to geologists in the extractive and environmental industries. This will include encouraging membership, acting as a focal point for dissemination of information on SEPM activities and representing SEPMs interests in any national geoscience societies in which they are a member.

## Examples of ways in which the Ambassador might operate

- Promoting the annual AAPG/SEPM and GSA conferences as high impact venues at which to present research results
- Convening or encouraging/supporting the convening of a SEPM Research Conference in their country or region
- Running or suggesting a SEPM session at a national conference and/or advising conveners on SEPM support for appropriate conferences, promoting the 'support pack' of financial sponsorship for graduate student attendance and a year's free membership of the Society for those students.
- Promoting the submission of quality manuscripts to JSR and Palaios and Special Publications
- Acting as a local Membership coordinator which can include helping to arrange for the transfer of dues from local members to SEPM Headquarters.
- Create annual reports on activities in their country or region for posting online or as part of the Sedimentary Record.
- Create special reports after major activities for posting online

## Term of Appointment

Five years, renewable by mutual agreement.

## Support by SEPM

Ambassadors must be SEPM Members in good standing. However, once SEPM basic dues are paid, Ambassadors will have access to all of the member online options, including: JSR, PALAIOS, Online Book Archive I, and SEPM Geofacets Millennium Edition at no additional fee. Access to all of the members options will allow Ambassadors to fully demonstrate the value of membership.

Country ambassadors should be in regular contact with the International Councillor and the SEPM Office, who will advise and comment on proposals for support before requests go to Council. It is hoped that Ambassadors will attend at least one annual AAPG/SEPM ACE or GSA Annual Convention, at which they can be invited to meet the Council.