

Geodiversity Workshop celebrating the International Geodiversity Day TONGA ERUPTION

The shocking volcanic explosion in Tonga on 14-15 January 2022 destroyed an island and generated Pacific-wide tsunami, while leaving many unanswered questions and mysteries. Professor Karoly Nemeth, a volcanologist specialised in monogenetic volcanism, attempts to explore the causes, characteristics and impacts of this volcanic incident. To continue raising the awareness of the importance of geodiversity and its critical linkage to all life forms, our Association have invited Professor Nemeth to share his findings and his views on how humans should prepare and adapt to future similar hazards. Details as follows:-

Date: 26 February 2022 (Saturday) **Time:** Hong Kong Time (UTC+8:00)

16:45 - 17:00 Registration 17:00 - 18:15 Presentation

18:15 - 18:30 Q&A **Language:** English

Fee: Free

Software: Zoom (Login details will be sent by email later)

Registration:

enter https://forms.gle/xERkeRePNbVcuobR6 google form OR email talk@rocks.org.hk to register indicating the following:

1. Full Name (same as Identity Document)

2. Email Address3. Affiliation

Registration deadline: 22 February 2022

Enquiries: talk@rocks.org.hk

Successful registrants will be notified by email later. In case of any disputes, the decision of AGHK shall be final and conclusive.

Brief Biography of speaker

Professor Karoly Nemeth is a professor in geology at the School of Agriculture and Environment, Massey University in New Zealand and in the Institute of Earth Physics and Space Science in Hungary. His research interests include sedimentology, volcanology, phreatomagmatism and volcanic hazard studies. In recent years, he also researches in the areas of geoheritage, geoconservation, geotourism and geoeducation. Apart from New Zealand, Professor Nemeth travels extensively and has experiences of working and living in the USA, Argentina, Chile, Colombia, China, Libya, Saudi Arabia, SW Pacific, Japan and Korea.