

[Volunteer](#) as a data or software expert for the [Open Science & Data Help Desk](#) to take place in conjunction with the 2025 EGU General Assembly (27 April–2 May 2025). The Open Science & Data Help Desk, a program of the European Geosciences Union (EGU), the Earth Science Information Partners (ESIP) and the American Geophysical Union (AGU), along with their respective partners, provides researchers with opportunities to engage with informatics experts in their domains. Through the Help Desk, researchers can learn about skills and techniques that help further their research and make their data and software more open and FAIR. The Open Science & Data Help Desk will be staffed with experts from the Earth science informatics community to answer data- and software-related questions and to demo useful resources.

The in-person space this year is situated within a very prominent location in Hall X2 (Booth X208). We encourage you to showcase your expertise and resources at the Data Help Desk for time slots of 1-2 hours throughout EGU25 at no cost to you.

Here are the ways you can participate:

1. ***In-Person*:** Join us at the booth to answer data & software-related questions;
2. ***In-Person*:** Join us at the booth to give a demo/tutorial of a tool or resource;
3. Answer earth science data & software questions virtually (monitor Slack and answer where you can)

To volunteer, please complete [this brief form](#), by 7th April 2025. Learn more about specific options for participating [here](#). **Note: you do not have to be registered for the EGU General Assembly Meeting to participate virtually. You do have to be registered to participate in-person.**

Special Opportunity for Emerging/Early Career Researchers: We encourage emerging professionals (current Master's and PhD students) and early career professionals (within 2 years of completing a Master's or PhD) to participate in a virtual, post-conference meeting to gather feedback on your experiences, insights on what support you would like from the Data Help Desk, and ideas for future improvements. By volunteering for at least one in-person session and participating in the meeting, *five individuals* will receive a \$100 gift card as a token of our appreciation. **No need to be an expert!** You'll have the support of experienced data and software professionals and will gain valuable experience, build connections, and contribute to the open science community.

After 20+ successful virtual and in-person events at professional meetings over the last several years at the AGU Fall Meeting, the GSA Annual Meeting, the ESA Annual Meeting, the EGU General Assembly, the Ocean Sciences Meeting, and more, we are always looking for new and

better ways to engage the researcher community. Don't miss this chance to help others with data and software-related questions and to demo your tool or platform!

Questions? Contact datahelpdesk@esipfed.org