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## **EUROGEO AND RIGEO ACTING TOGETHER FOR EUROPEAN GEOGRAPHY**

### **A new European partnership in Geography launched.**

EUROGEO and RIGEO are delighted to announce that they have agreed to establish a close working partnership. This development connects the European Association of Geographers, a professional society, with the Review of International Geography Education Online, the exciting new online journal for geographical education.

"We are extremely happy to be close partners with RIGEO, to support and promote their important new developments. This collaboration increases the synergy between geographers across Europe and beyond and it provides further impetus for recent initiatives taken by EUROGEO to promote geography and connect geographers.

I believe RIGEO gives geographical educators the opportunity to publish their research in a high quality, open access, e-journal environment. RIGEO will make an excellent addition to our portfolio of activities, it will provide evidence for us to lobby more intensively in Brussels and Strasbourg for the importance of geography in European schools, colleges, universities and training centres." said Karl Donert, EUROGEO President.

"RIGEO came into existence as a result of the work of the HERODOT Network which led to EUROGEO as it is today. RIGEO focuses on 'geographical education' for example combining fieldwork in geography and educational approaches. We now have the mission to carry that geographical education development process forward into the future.

Together we have a responsibility to publish new ideas, developments and approaches in geography education. With EUROGEO, I believe that we will be able to achieve this and that our efforts will serve to improve our knowledge about what, how, to what extent, and in what ways we should teach and learn geography in order to achieve a united Europe for the future" said Eyüp Artvinli, Editor-In-Chief of RIGEO.

Find out more about RIGEO --> [www.rigeo.org](http://www.rigeo.org)

Find out more about EUROGEO --> <http://www.eurogeography.eu>

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## **Further information**

EUROGEO is a non-profit scientific and educational society, legally based under Belgian law. It was founded in 1979. For more than 30 years EUROGEO has contributed to the advancement of geography in Europe. EUROGEO has members from more than 25 countries who share interests in the theory, methods, and practice of geography. This is represented through the activities at meetings and conferences, scholarly publications and the EUROGEO Newsletter. EUROGEO promotes discussion among geographers and with those in related fields. The meetings and activities of the association provide the opportunity for members to network with others interested in advancing geography. EUROGEO has participatory status in the Council of Europe and lobbies for the recognition of the valuable work of geographers across society and the inclusion of geography in all spheres of education.

RIGEO is the Review of International Geography Education Online. It is an international online, refereed geographical education journal which seeks to build bridge between geography teachers, researchers, policymakers, and practitioners on best theories and practices in learning, teaching, training, curriculum, textbooks etc. in geographical education. RIGEO has an international scope that focuses on aspects of geographical education research and activities relevant to geography educators and policymakers in a global dimension. RIGEO is published two issues per year and provides immediate open access to its content on the principle that making research freely available to the public to support a greater global exchange of geographical education knowledge.

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