four references should be submitted to: Chair, Director Search Committee, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, P.O. Box 7000, Ocean Springs, MS 39564. The Search Committee will begin reviewing applications on February 15, 1989, although applications will be considered until the position is filled. The position is expected to be filled by July 1, 1989. Equal Opportunity Employer.



International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on the Coastal Environment

Following a decision of the IGU general assembly, held in Sydney in August 1988 during the 26th international congress, the Commission on the Coastal Environment will continue its activity for the period 1988-1992.

R. Paskoff (France) was appointed chairman for a new term. N.P. Psuty (USA) is the vicechairman and P. Fabbri (Italy) the secretary. Eight full members will assist the executive board: J.F. Araya-Vergara (Chile), J.Y. Chen (China), J.M. Dubois (Canada), A.C. Ibe (Nigeria), P. Kaplin (USSR), M.A. Marqués (Spain), A.D. Short (Australia), and L.C. So (Hong Kong). Adviser is the past chairman E.C.F. Bird (Australia).

The main objectives of the commission on the Coastal environment are: (1) to focus on the issue of coastal change induced by natural and anthropogenic factors on a short and long term basis; (2) to evaluate the human response to coastal change; (3) to apply combination of physical and human components of geography to study varied examples of dynamic coastal systems on a world wide scale. Several research projects and working papers dealing with these topics have already been launched.

A vehicle for information *The CCE Newsletter* is edited by Norbert P. Psuty (Center for Coastal and Environmental Studies, Rutgers-The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ 08903, USA) and issued twice a year. Every one who wants to receive the newsletter free of charge must write to the editor.

Several field symposia are scheduled: Portugal (May 1989), USSR (September 1989), Canada (April 1990), China (August 1990), The Netherlands (June 1991), France (September 1991), Tunisia (April 1992), USA (August 1992).

The tenth volume (1987-1990) of the International Bibliography, issued at four year intervals, will be published in 1992. The ninth volume (1983-1986) of this world wide source of citations on coastal geomorphology came out in 1988 as a special issue of Informaciones Geograficas. It is available from its editor, J.F. Araya-Vergara (Institute of Geography, Architecture Faculty, University of Chile, Santiago).

An International Glossary, representing an updated compilation of multilingual (English, French, German, Russian, Spanish) coastal terminology, is currently prepared by V. Gudelis (USSR) and M. E. Moreira (Portugal).

People willing to collaborate to the scientific program of the IGU Commission on the Coastal Environment are welcome. Join it!

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