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Mission Statement

I am happy to be nominated for the position of treasurer of AOGS in the 2017 general election. I am a tenured Associate Professor at the Asian School of the Environment and Earth Observatory of Singapore where I lead the Coastal laboratory. I am a passionate and interdisciplinary coastal scientist with broad ranging interests in sea level change, tsunamis and storm surges.

My team works in 7 countries throughout Asia conducting research into improving the safety and lives of coastal communities through reconstructions of past events and modelling efforts for future scenarios. I am based in Singapore and I was the first earth scientist to receive the prestigious National Research Foundation (NRF) Singapore Fellowship in 2010.

My participation in AOGS has been continuous since 2009 when I gave a public lecture. Since 2009 I have given talks or posters in 5 of the 8 sections of AOGS including a distinguished lecture in 2015. I have also been a member of the AOGS council since my election as treasurer in 2013. During my tenure as treasurer I oversaw the growth of AOGS with meetings in Japan, Singapore and China growing both in terms of membership number and finances. At times there were difficulties and I consistently worked with the AOGS secretariat and other members of council to overcome such issues and maintain a healthy bank balance for AOGS. My election as treasurer again would consolidate my role in AOGS as I will also be actively participating in the newly announced AOGS-EGU joint meeting on Natural Hazards scheduled for February 2018.

If elected I aim to maintain a steady ship with AOGS financially while encouraging the introduction of new initiatives to bring a better experience to all AOGS members.

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