Obituary: Dr David Denham

Australian Representative to the Governing Council of the International Seismological Centre (ISC) from 1990

Died on 22 June 2024 in Canberra, Australia

David Denham was born in Yorkshire, UK. He studied for a degree in Geology and Geophysics. Subsequently he emigrated to Canberra, Australia where he was active in the Australian National University (ANU) and the Australian Geological Survey Organisation (AGSO, currently Geoscience Australia).

He always took an interest in observational seismology, sending regular readings to the ISC from the established network of seismic stations in Australia. His interest in the ISC and its activities followed from that of his Australian predecessors, Professor Keith Bullen and Professor Anton Hales. He also helped with the development of seismic arrays, working with Professor Patrick Willmore from the UK. One such array in Australia, at Warramunga, reported seismic observations to the ISC for many years.

David spent much time and effort at the Australian Geological Survey Organisation working for the Government on the monitoring of mining development in the country, which became very active after his arrival in Canberra.

Anthony A Hughes – Director of ISC during 1977-1997