

**UK CHEVENING SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2015 AWARDED TO FILIPPO TONIOLO OF UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL AND THE GEOMEASURE GROUP**



Congratulations to Filippo Toniolo, who has been awarded the UK Chevening Scholarship for 2015. Filippo completed his geology Honours degree at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) in 2012 and currently works for the Geomeasure Group in Natal. He will study towards an MSc in Applied Environmental Geology at Cardiff University from September 2015 – September 2016.

Filippo's Honours project, entitled "A Geological and Geotechnical Investigation of the Pietermaritzburg Formation Shales in KwaZulu-Natal", was completed under the supervision of Dr Egerton Hingston and Dr Andy Green.

Of course the GSSA wants some bragging rights too – In October 2014 the GSSA informed its members in a circular of the UK Chevening Scholarship for 2015. Filippo received the circular, applied, and was awarded the scholarship. According to Filippo, it is quite likely that without the GSSA he would not have discovered the scholarship and would not have been granted such a fantastic opportunity. It means that the GSSA is reaching people with important information!

