ISPRS COMMITTEES

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The role of IPAC is to advise Council on issues relevant to Society interaction with intergovernmental organizations, especially those that relate to ISPRS collaborative activities with various elements of the United Nations, the International Council of Science (ICSU), the Committee on Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS), the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS), and other similar organizations.

IPAC Terms of Reference
- Identify, coordinate and prioritize issues on which ISPRS should have a public policy.
- Provide the ISPRS Council with early warning of relevant international policy issues and recommend spokespersons on these issues.
- Flag legal issues, problems and scenarios which may arise in the context of ISPRS activities in the context to international policy issues.
- Provide advice for and with the ISPRS Council on policy towards international organizations in which ISPRS is represented.
- Collaborate with the ISPRS Council to provide policy advice when requested by international bodies.
- Provide advice to, and coordinate inputs of, ISPRS Commissions and Working Groups on international policy issues.
- Ensure any advocacy stances are fair and in the best interests of all segments of the ISPRS membership.

Term	Chair
2000 - 2008	Ray Harris
2008 - 2012	Rainer Sandau
since 2012	Gunter Schreier

The International Science Advisory Committee (ISAC)

The ISAC has been established to support the Council and the ISPRS General Assembly in identifying and addressing important S&T trends which impact the scope of the ISPRS Commissions and the activities which should be addressed by ISPRS Working Groups. The ISAC is to ensure that ISPRS S&T activities are in proper balance and cover the breadth of the Society's S&T mission.

ISAC Terms of Reference
- Identify and prioritize scientific and technologic (S&T) trends which will impact the S&T activities of the Society and recommend actions to ISPRS Council.
- Facilitate excellence in scientific research and development and the use of proper and appropriate technology by evaluating and refining S&T Resolutions proposed in advance by ISPRS Member Organizations and Commissions for approval by the quadrennial ISPRS General Assembly.
- Collaborate with the ISPRS Council to formulate Resolutions for ISPRS General Assembly approval which will ensure that ISPRS is at the forefront of the S&T in the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences and covers the full breadth of the Society s mission.
- Review proposed Working Groups Terms of Reference with Council and identify S&T gaps and overlaps and recommend corresponding fills and consolidations.
- Evaluate inputs recommended for changing the overall scope and direction of S&T activities in the Society and advise Council accordingly.
- Suggest collaborative S&T activities with other international societies and intergovernmental bodies to foster cooperation on the inter-disciplinary boundaries.
- Propose worthy candidates for recognition and awards.

Term	Chair
2000 - 2012	Armin Grün
since 2012	Ian Dowman

International Industrial Advisory Committee (I²AC)

I²AC Organization and Terms of Reference

Approved by the I²AC inaugural meeting on 13-Jul-2016

Creation of the I²AC

The I²AC has been established to support the ISPRS Council in its dealings with the Geospatial industry, with the aim of making the ISPRS more relevant to industry.

Recognizing that the ISPRS is a learned society of academics, and also is strong in governmental mapping agencies, it needs to improve its interactions with the rapidly changing and evolving Geospatial industry as the driver of all global geospatial activities and innovations.

The I²AC's creation was by decisions of the ISPRS General Assembly at the 23rd international congress of the ISPRS [Prague, 2016]. It was installed with a membership of 19 businesses, each nominating a person to take one of the seats. Additionally, 1 seat was held for the Chairperson of The ISPRS Foundation TIF.

Membership in the I²AC

The membership of the I²AC is self-perpetuating. Should a person no longer represent a business, then this business will nominate a replacement. Should a business no longer want to hold a seat, then the I²AC will invite a replacement business. Continued inactivity of a seat holder may lead to a dialogue between the Chairperson and the business-representative to refresh the business-agent, or to vacate that seat.

Chair of the I²AC

It is the membership of the I²AC that votes with a simple majority on its chairperson. Every member can propose a chairperson. Voting will be organized by the outgoing Chairperson in two steps. Each candidate will collect votes in the first round. Then the two persons with the most votes will go through a run-off. The position will be held for 4 years or until the ISPRS Congress following the election, whatever is first. Renewal of the Chairpersonship will be during the [currently quadrennial] ISPRS Congress.

Decision Making

Decisions by the committee will be taken upon a debate within the ranks of the committee, under the guidance of the Chairperson. If appropriate, decisions will get voted on with a simple majority. Each seat votes, each vote holds the same weight. Voting can be via physical presence at a meeting, or by electronic participation.

ISPRS Council and the I²AC

The I²AC interacts with the ISPRS-Council via its Secretary General.

Purpose | Terms of Reference

The I²AC may address any topic it deems of interest, and bring its views to the attention of the point of contact on the ISPRS council. This may be as general as identifying and addressing important *industry trends* which impact the scope of the ISPRS Commissions and activities by ISPRS Working Groups. It may very specifically address the *site choices of upcoming ISPRS-events*.

Broadly, activities of theI²AC are to
- Improve the benefits of its *industrial* sustaining membership program – simply provide industry with a better voice in ISPRS and thereby widen the base of ISPRS industrial sustaining members;
- Advise Council in matters regarding the cooperation of *industrial* sustaining members with the society;
- Enable an improved response to the incredible dynamics of the Geospatial industry;
- Define requirements which should be fulfilled by ISPRS for companies of different sizes to participate in the exhibition of ISPRS events, and in particular in the [currently quadrennial] Congress exhibition;
- Coordinate ideas and policies with other ISPRS committees.
  [www.isprs.org/structure/committees]

Budget | Costs

There will not be any costs associated with the activities of the I²AC. There is no budget for its activities.

Term	Chair
2015 - 2016	Franz Leberl
since 2016	Christian Hoffmann

The International Committee on Remote Sensing of Environment (ICORSE)

The ICORSE has been established to foster the use of remote sensing to address priority issues of the environment. ICORSE will convene a biennial conference in alternating years with the ISPRS Commission Symposia. The conference will focus on remote sensing of the environment and will bring together scientists, technologists and environmental users of remotely sensed data. In conformance with ISPRS Guidelines, (a) the conference proceedings will be made available to the ISPRS community as part of the continuing series of the International Archives of The Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences (IAPRSSIS), and (b) the committee will provide an annual report on the state of remote sensing of environment for publication in ISPRS eBulletin.

ICORSE Terms of Reference
- Identify issues and topics associated with applications and scientific studies of the environment and enlist leading spokespersons to organize sessions and/or workshops for the biannual International Symposium on Remote Sensing of Environment.
- Produce proceedings of the biannual conference and provide an annual written report on the state of remote sensing of environment.
- Propose Resolutions to the ISPRS Council regarding remote sensing of environment for approval by the ISPRS General Assembly.
- Collaborate closely with ISPRS Commissions to enhance remote sensing activities and coordinate event scheduling through mutual agreement.
- Nominate candidates for the Editorial Review Board and encourage submission of worthy papers for publication in the ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.
- Propose worthy candidates for recognition and awards.

Term	Chair
2000 - 2004	Alexander Tuyahov
2004 - 2014	Per Erik Skrovseth
since 2014	Lawrence Friedl

International Committee for Architectural Photogrammetry (CIPA)

CIPA is one of the oldest International Scientific Committees of ICOMOS (International Council of Monuments and Sites), jointly founded in 1968 with ISPRS (International Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing) to facilitate the transfer of technology from the measurements sciences into the heritage documentation and recording disciplines.
CIPA originally stood for **Comité International de la Photogrammétrie Architecturale** (English: "International Committee of Architectural Photogrammetry").
However, this old but well-known name no longer describes the full scope of CIPA activities, so **CIPA Heritage Documentation** was established.

The CIPA mission
Being the ICOMOS / ISPRS Committee for Documentation of Cultural Heritage, CIPA Heritage Documentation is now an international **non-profit** organisation that endeavours to transfer technology from the measurement and visualisation sciences to the disciplines of cultural heritage recording, conservation and documentation. CIPA thus acts as a bridge between the producers of heritage documentation and the users of this information.

CIPA's mission is twofold:
to encourage the development of principles and practices for the recording, documentation and information management for all aspects of cultural heritage;
to support and encourage the development of specialised tools and techniques in support of these activities.

The CIPA structure
CIPA Heritage Documentation is structured with an Executive Board, various Sustaining Members and some Task Groups related to the diverse areas of interest of the heritage community:

- recording, documentation and information management;
- cultural heritage information systems;
- digital image processing;

- surveying methods;
- archaeological objects, monuments, sites and landscapes.

Term	President
1968 - 1973	Maurice Carbonnel
1973 - 1977	Maurice Carbonnel
1977 - 1981	Maurice Carbonnel
1981 - 1985	Maurice Carbonnel
1985 - 1989	Maurice Carbonnel
1989 - 1993	Mario Fondelli
1993 - 1997	John Badekas
1997 - 2003	Peter Waldhäusl
2003 - 2007	Petros Patias
2007 - 2011	Cliff Ogleby
2010 - 2015	Mario Santana Quintero
since 2015	Andreas Georgopoulos