

MINUTES, Council Meeting

Dec. 3 + 7, 2012, 9:00 - 17:00

Location: Chengdu, Southwest Jiaotong University

In Attendance:

President	Chen Jun (CJ),
Secretary General	Christian Heipke (CH),
First Vice President	Orhan Altan (OA)
Second Vice President	Marguerite Madden (MM)
Congress Director	Lena Halounova (LH)
Treasurer	Jon Philip Mills (JPM)

In attendance as special advisor:

ISAC-Chair	Ian Dowman (ID; 3 rd December)
Book Series Editor	Zhilin Li (ZL; 3rd December)
ISPRS Headquarters	Uwe Breikopf (UB)
ISPRS Beijing Bureau	Chenchen (CC), Hu Juhong (HJ)

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Minutes

1. Opening remarks

CJ opened the meeting and expressed his gratitude for the support of Southwest Jiaotong University in hosting the Council meeting

2. Approval of Agenda

The above agenda was approved.

3. Review of previous meetings

3.1 Approval of Oct. Skype meeting minutes

The minutes of the Skype meeting of Oct. 9, 2012 were approved.

3.2 Matters arising from Melbourne GA minutes

MM is about to update the statutes and bylaws. She will make the new version available for Cnl to check. ID commented that in the future a document showing the changes should be finalized before the congress to be voted on by the GA.

Action 12/1037 MM: to send update to statutes and bylaws to Cnl by Jan 31, 2013.

Action 12/1038 CJ, OA: check correctness of new statutes and bylaws and report any mistakes to CH by Feb 28, 2013.

3.3 Review of council action lists

The action list was reviewed and updated.

3.4 Areas of responsibility of Council members

The areas of responsibility for Cnl members were updated, see appendix A.

4. Science issues

4.1 ISPRS vision and position paper(s)

CJ reported on the idea and the goals of a general vision paper for the fields covered by the society. Cnl welcomed this initiative and discussed a possible implementation. It was pointed out that interested TCPs should be involved as authors from the very beginning. As a first step the outline of the paper will be distributed to TCPs and ID by CJ.

Action 12/1039 CJ: to distribute first outline of vision paper to Cnl, TCPs and ISAC by Jan. 31, 2013.

4.2 ISPRS general slide collection

The distributed slides were discussed. Further contributions by Cnl members are required, e.g. on the Prague Congress. It was pointed out that the collection should be considered as a base for a presentation of the ISPRS structure, purpose, achievements, and goals. It is intended to be used by Council and TCPs. For different audiences different parts of the collection should be selected.

JPM suggested to have the design of the presentation improved by a graphics designer and produce a powerpoint template for ISPRS slides. JPM is willing to talk to a designer from Newcastle University.

Action 12/1040 Cnl: to contribute additional slides to CH by Jan 31, 2013.

Action 12/1041 JPM: to discuss the ISPRS ppt template with a Newcastle University graphics designer and distribute suggested results to Cnl by Jan 31, 2013.

4.3 Excellent speakers program

CJ suggested to setup a list of excellent speakers, since ISPRS is sometimes asked by its members to provide prominent speakers for different occasions. The idea was accepted by Cnl.

CH commented that it may not be necessary to formally set up a database for this purpose, but that Cnl members are able to name excellent speakers based on their knowledge of ISPRS scientists. CJ suggested establishing a service for members to request excellent speaker advice.

CJ asked CH to look at issues relating to an excellent speakers program and to let members know about this new service in an appropriate way.

Action 12/1042 CH: to inform members about the new excellent speakers service by Jan 31, 2013.

4.4 Journal special issues for hot research topics and developments

Special issues would be discussed as part of the TCP activities. MM would take care of that point.

Action 12/1043 MM: to encourage TCPs to suggest subjects for special issues to be published in the ISPRS journals, and to forward responses together with the final setup of the TC and WG by Jan 31, 2013.

4.5 Author books for cutting-edge topics for ISPRS Book Series

CJ reported on the status of the ISPRS book series. The new book editor is Zhilin Li (ZL). ID commented that the series is lacking visibility because there is not enough appropriate PR. OA suggested contacting the book series publisher for potential improvements. MM commented that writing books is not a priority for young authors these days, as this work is not adequately recognised by peers. JPM asked about the aims of book series. Online / eBook possibilities should be evaluated by ZL.

Action 12/1044 ZL: to contact publisher in order to discuss possibilities for improving visibility of the ISPRS book series and to investigate possibilities for eBooks (ongoing).

4.6 Citation of ISPRS Annals, Archives, and ISPRS Journal of Geo-information

CH reported on the status of work with Copernicus.

(a) The guidelines for authors for ISPRS Archives and Annals had been revised.

(b) CH suggested publishing ISPRS Annals and Archives under the Creative Commons license without further restrictions from now on.

(c) Indexing of Archives in the Proceedings Index is under way with Copernicus. For this purpose CH has drafted a revised process for the Archives which is available on the web.

(d) Indexing of Annals cannot be requested at this time, since only one volume has been published so far.

Cnl agreed to proposals (a), (b) and (c) and asked CH to continue the work along these lines.

MM will contact Melbourne Congress organisers to find out about the status of the Vol. A proceedings of the Melbourne Congress.

MM also reported on good progress with the two journals. She reviewed the new amendments to the contract for the *ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (IJPRS)* and they were approved by Cnl. Copies of the 2009 Elsevier contract and 2012 Amendments were distributed. Derek Lichti will take over as Chief Editor from George Vosselman and continue George's great work in increasing the status of the Journal to 3rd highest ranked remote sensing journal with an Impact Factor soon to exceed 3.0. Four new Associate Editors will be added (8 total) to handle the increased (nearly double) submissions. Language was also added to the contract to cover options for individual subscriptions to accompany our new individual membership opportunity. The status of our new *ISPRS International Journal of Geo-Information (IJGI)* also was reported. The IJGI Editor-in-Chief, Wolfgang Kainz, requested an additional year of fee waiver for submitted articles from Dr. Shu-Kun of the publisher, MDPI. Dr. Shu-Kun confirmed fees will be waived in 2013. MM listed upcoming special issues in progress for both journals.

Action 12/1045 CH: to work with Copernicus towards getting the Archives indexed in the Proceedings Index (ongoing).

Action 12/1046 MM: to contact Cliff Ogleby and Mark Shorts about the status of the Vol. A publication by Jan. 31, 2013.

4.7 Web-based ISPRS scientific data and processing service

CJ suggested establishing a web service for global land cover mapping as an example of a service for ISPRS members and professionals. Cnl discussed the matter and will seek further advice from TCPs and others on the possibilities of implementation.

4.8 ICSU grant proposal

During the meeting CJ distributed a draft proposal on "Dynamic global land cover information services". He asked OA to examine the draft in connection with the ICSU project on Future Earth, once it is finished. The proposal should be submitted in 2013.

Action 12/1047 CJ: to finish work on ICSU proposal (ongoing).

Action 12/1048 OA: to review proposal once ready (asap, after Action 12/1047 is complete).

5. Policy matters and society management

5.1 Implementation of strategic plan

OA and ID presented the state of implementation of the strategic plan, as of the Melbourne Congress. During the last years, task forces had been established for the implementation, namely "Funding and Efficiency" led by Treasurer Mike Renslow, "Widening participation" led by ID and "Marketing" led by 2nd Vice Pres. Ammatzia Peled.

According to OA and ID, member involvement, the role of StMs, marketing, a permanent HQ and individual membership are the main issues needing further work.

OA suggested that LH as Congress Director should work in close contact with the StMs, in order to better define their role and participation in ISPRS and its activities.

ID pointed out that Council needs to review the three task forces and decide how to deal with them in the future. CJ asked all Cnl members to make suggestions towards this issue, taking into account the list "areas of responsibility" of Cnl members.

OA suggested that each Cnl member should make a few suggestions for the future implementation of the strategic plan and send them to him. Based on that input he will make a consolidated proposal for the next steps.

Action 12/1049 Cnl: to review strategic plan and to send suggestions to OA by Jan. 31, 2013.

Action 12/1050 OA: to prepare a proposal for the next steps of the implementation of strategic plan based on results of Action 12/1049.

5.2 Council collaborative decision making

CH suggested to implement a document management system, either on the web or outside, to distribute documents of common meetings, PR material etc. He will investigate the issue and make a proposal before the next meeting.

Action 12/1051 CH: to suggest a suitable document management system for distribution of ISPRS material to Cnl by Apr. 30, 2013.

In terms of communications and decision making CH suggested some changes to the current procedure documented in the green book. Cnl asked CH to make a suggestion for the revision of that part of the green book.

Action 12/1052 CH: to revise the communication part of the green book by Apr. 30, 2013 (see also Action 12/1054).

5.3 Coordination of capacity building within Council

Based on the resolutions of the Melbourne Congress, Cnl appointed MM to act as capacity building coordinator and to liaise in particular with TC VI in this regard. MM will also provide a short description as to what is meant by "capacity building" and what can be achieved within ISPRS.

Action 12/1053 MM: to prepare a short description about "capacity building" by Jan. 31, 2013.

5.4 ISPRS Documents updating and management

There a number of ISPRS documents which need revision and potentially update on a regular basis.

MM will take care of the statutes and bylaws and will pay particular attention to the outdated definition of "Spatial Information Science". As the statutes and bylaws need to be voted upon by the GA, there is no immediate need for doing this work.

CH will make suggestions for updating the green and the orange book.

CH will also start preparing the silver book 2012-16.

The blue book (which is the ISPRS database) is continually updated and available on the web. A printed version is not produced any more. Updating this information is the task of the Secretary General.

Action 12/1054 MM: to make suggestions for updates of the statutes and bylaws by Apr 30,, 2013.

Action 12/1055 CH: to make suggestions for updates of the green book and the orange book by Apr 30, 2013.

5.5 Repository of legal documents and PR material

CH suggested creating a central digital repository for all relevant ISPRS documents, incl. Memoranda of Understanding with other organisations, legal contracts, PR material etc. Based on what is already available, he will start collecting missing material with the aim of making all documents available to all Cnl members.

As a start, CH will set up a list of documents which should be part of this repository. As for PR material, the following was mentioned to be available: Profile paper, brochure, banner, booth (posters), video, awards brochure, congress brochure, foundation brochure. Some of this material is currently with Gerhard Kemper.

Action 12/1056 CH: to set up a central digital repository for ISPRS material and to make sure it gets delivered to ISPRS and other events (ongoing).

5.6 ISPRS Conference Structure

The current conference structure (Congress, Symposia, Workshops) was discussed with a view to creating a regular larger event in odd years, or yearly. ISAC was asked to comment on these ideas. ID remarked that ISAC concentrates on science matters and should not be expected to deal with administrative questions. He asked Cnl to provide ISAC with a list of requests ISAC should deal with in the future.

Action 12/1057 Cnl: to provide ID with a list of requests for ISAC to work on by Jan. 31, 2013.

6. Review of Technical Commission composition

ID discussed the general ISAC comments, which he had forwarded to Cnl and TCPs. In general there was good response from ISAC members, everybody except one reacted to the request.

TC proposals were found to be well prepared with only one Commission needing additional attention.

A few additional items were discussed, incl. overlap between working groups. Cnl holds the opinion that some overlap was not a problem as long as there is collaboration between groups which partly deal with the same topic. In some cases suggestions for changes of WG titles and/or terms of references were made.

It was also decided that TCPs should be strongly encouraged not to select a chair and co-chair for the same working group from the same institution. It is, however, acceptable for the chair and secretary or co-chair and secretary to be from the same institution.

TCPs and WG officers should also be encouraged to conduct different activities in their working group such as benchmarking, publication of special issues, rather than focussing solely on the organisation of workshops and other scientific meetings. In these activities, work carried out outside of ISPRS should be given a little more attention.

It was then agreed to further discuss the setup of the Technical Commissions in the Joint Meeting together with the TCPs.

7. Congress 2016

7.1 Lessons learned from Melbourne Congress

As is a regular exercise after any Congress, Cnl members had collated views from different people about the preparation, organisation, scientific content, exhibition, social programme etc. of the Melbourne Congress. These comments were assembled by LH and were discussed. Based on these comments, LH then presented a first outline of her plans for the Prague Congress.

7.2 Congress Contract

Based on the model contract and some additions and clarifications, LH had brought a contract for the Prague Congress ready to be signed by ISPRS. This contract was discussed. Cnl proposed a simplification of the scheme for registration fees. Also an upper limit for support of participants was established, and group discount was discussed. LH then prepared a new version of the contract taking these comments into account, this new version was accepted, see the following table.

Categories	prior to 31 Jan2016	prior to 14 Apr 2016	after 14 Apr 2016	on site
Basic	590	620	680	780
Basic Students &Seniors	320	340	370	480
Accompanying persons	250	260	290	340
Day Registration	240	250	280	310

Action 12/1058 JPM: to prepare a sample congress contract for upload onto the website based on the signed contract for Prague by Apr 30, 2013.

8. ISPRS Membership

8.1 Status of Ordinary, Associate, Sustaining and Regional Members

CH reported on the current member situation, there were no changes since the Melbourne Congress. He mentioned cases of requests of organisations that want to become an OdM although there already exists an OdM in that area. CH will deal with these requests by advising the new organisations to apply for AsM membership.

8.2 Defaulting Members

A number of cases were discussed in which OdM had not paid their membership fees for many years. A possibility is to expel members if they have not paid the membership fees for several years. For OdM such a decision can only be taken by the GA, for StM Council can make such a decision.

OA suggested to expel a few StMs, some of which he knows do not exist anymore. JPM was asked to formally contact non-paying StMs in cooperation with OA.

Action 12/1059 JPM: to contact non-paying StMs in cooperation with OA by Apr 30, 2013.

8.3 Correspondence with Members

CH reported on the past activities incl. sending out e-Bulletins etc. He mentioned that he would draft a letter early in 2013 to contact members directly to inform them about upcoming activities.

A possible member survey was briefly discussed, but at present it was felt that it was better to first evaluate the benefits of membership on an internal basis and to discuss

possible improvements of membership service such as the excellent speaker's programme.

9. ISPRS Publications

9.1 Book series (New concepts and working plan)

(discussed in JM)

9.2 e-Bulletin and GIM page

OA suggested introducing a new column in the e-Bulletin for StM like an industry page.

Topics for future editorials for the eBulletin and the GIM page were collected. CH would distribute updated lists with topics and authors (see appendix B and C).

Action 12/1060 CH: to distribute an updated list of editorial topics and authors for GIM page and eBulletin by Jan. 31, 2013.

9.3 Website

After the setup of the new Commission structure, the web page needs updating. CH was asked to liaise with Markus English about this.

Action 12/1061 CH: to liaise with Markus English about updating the ISPRS web pages (ongoing).

9.4 Request for additional monthly editorial by Geoinformatics

CH reported a request from the magazine Geoinformatics to have a monthly ISPRS editorial page similar to that provided for GIM.

As maintaining such a page needs a lot of resources, CH was asked to investigate whether GIM and Geoinformatics could share the same page. Alternatively, a less regular coverage is discussed.

Action 12/1062 CH: to contact Geoinformatics to assess possible options in line with available resources by Dec. 31, 2012.

10. Financial affairs

10.1 Report from Treasurer

JPM reported on duties performed by the Treasurer since the Melbourne Congress and presented several items for discussion at the CM.

JPM will further liaise with Chris Bellman about the closure of the financial transactions around the Melbourne Congress, which is assumed to take another few months to complete.

JPM also reported the problems associated with the current credit card payment system. Based on that report Cnl decided to discontinue the current service for 2013 and asked JPM to find ways to accommodate members wishing to pay by credit card in 2013 and beyond.

Action 12/1063 JPM: to contact Chris Bellman and discuss effective means to finalise the financial transactions surrounding the Melbourne Congress, by Dec.31, 2012.

Action 12/1064 JPM: to assess possibilities for credit card payment of membership subscriptions (ongoing).

10.2 Guidelines for Council expenses

JPM explained the financial policy on funding of travel support for ISPRS scientists, which was approved in 2010.

CJ pointed out that ISPRS will refund costs related to the attendance of CMs & JMs and at various other meetings only when their main duty is to represent ISPRS. Meetings, which the officers attend mainly for their own reasons, and where in addition some ISPRS representation is given, are usually not supported by ISPRS. Any support needs to be discussed and decided on a case-by-case basis.

Cnl asked JPM to revise and distribute the existing financial policy paper for comments.

Action 12/1065 JPM: to revise and distribute the ISPRS financial policy paper by Apr. 30, 2013.

10.3 Discussion of 2013 budget

JPM presented the budget spreadsheet for 2013. JPM asked Cnl to send him expected expenses for travel and administration in 2013. JPM will circulate the projected expenses spreadsheet for travel / admin costs to the Council.

A number of budget items were discussed. A loan of 100k SFr according to the Prague Congress contract was promised to be sent to the Congress organizers till the middle of February. The total amount can be split into several parts, however, the first part should cover the Prague Congress Centre rent and forms 30k SFr.

Action 12/1066 LH and JPM: to process the loan of 100.000 SFr for the Prague Congress until Jan. 31, 2013.

Funding for Student Consortium activities such as Summer School was discussed and supported by the Cnl. As for supporting activities for a series of events (e. g. the summer school between Russia and China), seed money will be provided for a number years, after which the activities must run self contained.

The 2013 budget request by the Student Consortium was partially approved. A sum of €5,000 would need to come from TIF in order to cover the complete sum. In addition OA has contacted UN-OOSA to see whether support would be possible from them. This would reduce the amount ISPRS contributes to the Student Consortium activities.

Action 12/1067 Cnl: to communicate to JPM budget needs for travel in 2013 by Jan. 31, 2013.

10.4 Foundation Grant Committee

MM reported that TIF is recruiting new members of the TIF Grants Evaluation Committee in the near future, and suggestions for names are welcome. This committee decides each year who should receive TIF grants and its members should be selected by the TIF Board and the Cnl. The committee will need to be formed in early 2013. She will also distribute a projected budget for 2013 support.

Action 12/1068 MM: to develop a projected budget for TIF by Jan. 31, 2013

11. ISPRS Committees

11.1 ISAC

The report from ISAC was dealt with in connection with the discussion on the TCs and WGs.

CJ reported that Cnl was happy with the collaboration with ISAC.

11.2 IPAC

The committee members have all been invited to IPAC. IPAC will soon start its activities.

11.3 Standards Committee

CJ reported that he had contacted the chair Wolfgang Kresse and had asked him to enlarge the committee in order to increase its impact. CJ suggests that TCP VI president Jianya Gong could be a member of the committee as he is involved for standards on land cover mapping anyway.

OA suggested that members' requests for help with standards should go through Council and TCP and via Wolfgang.

CH agreed to give Wolfgang Kresse space on the GIM page to advertise the activities of the committee.

Action 12/1069 CH: to contact Wolfgang Kresse and discuss ways to increase the impact of the committee for ISPRS and ISPRS members by Dec 31, 2012.

12. Relations with international and other organisations

12.1 EuroSDR

CJ reported on the meeting with TCPs in Melbourne about involvement and possible collaborations. He asked CH to distribute the slides Dieter Fritsch (EuroSDR vice president research) has provided.

Action 12/1070 CH: to distribute EuroSDR slides to TCPs by Dec 31, 2012.

Upon request of the TC V President, Cnl supported the joint organisation of a session during the upcoming Geospatial World Forum to be held in Rotterdam in May 2013.

12.2 UNOOSA, VALID Project

ID reported on the recent UNOOSA meeting in Chile which was very effective. The next meeting will be held in 2013 in Tunis or Belarus. ISPRS will have opportunity to provide input for that meeting.

OA reported on very good connections with UNOOSA. There is an active project called VALID, on disaster management research with the aim to produce a book on that subject. The eight participating organisations will pay 750€ each to ISPRS which will provide editorial costs and printing / setup fees for the book.

12.3 ICSU, GeoUnions

OA reported on ICSU and GeoUnions. ISPRS is one of the major scientific unions (there are currently 31 in total) in ICSU.

The GeoUnions- will meet in April prior to an ICSUUNIONS meeting in Paris.

13. Coming meetings

13.1 Meetings to be attended by Council members

See appendix D, Symposia dates have been added to the table.

13.2 Next Council meeting

Thursday 9th – Saturday 11th May 2013 in Hannover, Germany.

The suggested arrival is Wednesday, May 8, 2013 in order to have a dinner in the evening. Details are still to be fixed.

A meeting with M. Rasmussen (Copernicus) will be arranged on the Friday, Markus English will also be invited to join the meeting.

Action 12/1071 CH: to inform Cnl about the details of the next CM by Jan 31, 2013.

14. Any other business

14.1 Telecommunication system for virtual Council meetings

CH reported on teleconferencing issues with Skype at the last meeting and on the possible alternative Adobe Connect. Since the problems encountered are probably due to bad connections and not to the system used, Cnl agreed to keep Skype at least one more time, since it is significantly cheaper. To avoid problems due to bandwidth everybody should make sure to have the best possible connection. In addition, only voice should be used, no video.

14.2 International Remote Sensing Academy

LH reported on attempts to set up an International Remote Sensing Academy dealing mainly with teaching and capacity building. After some discussion Cnl concluded that there are currently no human and financial resources available for that project. CH was asked to respond to the request.

Action 12/1072 CH: to formulate a response to the International RS Academy by Dec 31, 2012.

15. ICA discussion and IC Dresden

CH reported on a very fruitful discussion with ICA President Georg Gartner. ICA and ISPRS have very similar goals in the area of spatial information science, and both sides are interested in significantly increasing the collaboration. A possibility is the next ICA Congress to be held in Dresden in August 2013. ISPRS is contributing a session to the Congress, and LH, CH and possibly OA will attend.

Cnl welcomed that development.

16. Close

CJ closed the Council meeting, wholeheartedly thanking the local organiser Southwest Jiaotong University, Zhilin Li and his team for their excellent work in preparing the meeting and helping out with any issues which came up.

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AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ISPRS COUNCIL

as of Dec. 18 , 2012

Table 1: Responsibility for ISPRS activities

ORG/ACTIVITY	Pres. CJ	SG CH	1. VP OA	2. VP MM	Treas. JPM	Cong Dir LH	others
<u>Administration</u>							
Stats/bylaws/guides				X			
Implementation of strategic plan	X			P			
ISAC, IPAC	X						
Resolutions			X				
Ord, Ass, Reg Memb.	X						
Sustaining Members					X	P	
Individual Members		X					
Address database		X					
Publ. (Journals, Books)				X			
Publ. (Archives, Annals)		X					
Publ. (eBulletin, GIM)		X					
Finances					X		
Congress						X	
Awards			P	X			
Cong/symp contract	P				X		
Technical Commissions	X						
Recruitment	X	P					
Education/Students				X			Comm VI
Capacity building, Outreach				X			Comm VI
Scientific initiatives			P		X		
ISPRS Foundation	P			X	X		
Strategic plan		X		P			
<u>Regional affaires</u>							
Asia	P					X	
Africa		X					ID
Eastern Europe					X	P	
Western Europe					P	X	
Middle East			X				
South America				X			
Australia and Oceania	X						
North and Central America			X	P			

P: primary contact person

X: Contact person or secondary contact person

E-bulletin Foreword List
as of Jan 14, 2013

Issue	Responsible Persons (Deadline)	Themes	Issue Date	Status
2012 - 4	OA, mid July	Melbourne Congress	Sep 21	Done
2012 - 5	CJ, mid October	ISPRS under new leadership	Oct 20	Done
2013 -1	LH, mid November	Invitation to Congress 2016	Jan 1	Done
2013 - 2	CH, end Jan	Technical Commissions	Feb 15	
2013 - 3	MM, end March	Student Consortium	Apr 1	
	Suggestions for further topics: see list for GIM editorials			

GIM Page responsibilities

as of Jan 14, 2013

Month	Deadline	Responsible Persons and Themes	Status
2013			
January	1 December	LH, Prague Congress	Done
February	1 January	PG, Strasbourg CIPA meeting	Done
March	1 February	FS, Conference in Turkey (tbc)	
April	1 March	CH, new commissions	
May	1 April	Chair SC, Student consortium (tbc)	
June	1 May	MM, Outreach and capacity building	
July	1 June	JPM, Membership benefits	
August	1 July	Wolfgang Kainz, The new IJ-GI (tbc)	

300 - 400 words (max.:450) + photo

text and photos to be sent to CH by the mentioned deadline. He will then forward the material to GIM.

Appendix D

Attendance of meetings by Council

as of Jan 14, 2013

Dates	Name	Place	Attendance
2013			
Jan 21-23	Defence Geosp. Intellig. (DGI) Conf.	London, UK	ID
Feb 4-6	GGIM High Level Forum	Doha, Qatar,	OA
Feb.11-22	UN COPUOS Science &Tech. Meetg.	Vienna, Austria	CH ??,OA,GS
March 18	IAA	Paris, France	CH
Mar 24-28	ASPRS 2013 Annual Conference	Baltimore, USA	OA, CH, CJ, MM
Apr 15-17	8th GIS Conference	Dammam, Saudi A.	CH
April 22-26	ISRSE Meeting	Beijing, CHINA	CJ, John Tr.
April 24-26	GEO-Siberia-2013	Novosibirsk, RUS.	LH, CH
April 29-30	UNIONS MEETING ICSU	Paris, France	OA
May 6-10	FIG Working Week and Gen. Ass.	Abuja, Nigeria	-
May 13-16	Geospatial World Forum	Rotterdam, NL	LH, ID
May 14-28	Chinese and Foreign Academicians on Geospatial Information Sciences	Wuhan, China	OA
May 21- 24	ISPRS Hannover Workshop 2013	Hannover, Ger	CH
July 24-26	UN GGIM (in conjunction with the Cambridge Conference, Jul 21-24)	Cambridge, UK	JPM, ID?
Aug 25-30	26 th Inter. Cartographic Conference	Dresden, Ger	LH, CH, OA
Sept. 2-6	IAG Scientific Assembly (includes 150 y. IAG celebration)	Potsdam, Ger	LH; OA, (CH)
Sept 2-6	CIPA Meeting	Straßbourg, F	CH?
Sept 9-13	Photogrammetric Week	Stuttgart, Ger	OA, CH, CJ
Oct. 8-10	Intergeo	Essen, Ger	CH
Oct 20-24	ACRS 2013	Bali, Indonesia	CJ
Oct 23-25	LARS (Latin American RS Week)	Santiago, Chile	LH?, MM

Nov 11-15	ISPRS Intercom Conf., incl. JM	Turkey	All
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May 14-16	ISPRS Commission IV Symposium	Suzhou, China	
May 19-21	ISPRS Commission VI Symposium	Wuhan, China	
June 16-21	XXV FIG Congress	Kuala Lumpur, Mal.	
Jun 23-25	ISPRS Commission V Symposium	Riva, Italy	
Aug 28 - Sept 3	ICSU GA	Auckland, NZ	OA, CJ, CH?
Sep 5-7	ISPRS Commission III Symposium	Zürich, CH	
Sep 16-19	ISPRS Commission VII Symposium	Istanbul, Turkey	
Sep 22-24	ISPRS Commission II Symposium	Toronto, CAN	
Oct 27-31	ACRS 2014	Rangoon (?), Myamer	
Nov 17-20	ISPRS Commission I Symposium	Denver, US	
Dec 9-12	ISPRS Commission VIII Symposium, incl. JM	Hyderabad, India	All
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July 12-19	XXIII ISPRS Congress	Prague, CZ	All