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Foreword

The 1992 ISPRS Washington Congress established the responsibility of the Commission VII for the period 1992-1996. The Commission VII was renamed and reorganized in October 1992 in Stresa, Italy. Environment and earth resources were the main topics selected for Commission VII, maybe in part influenced by the United Nations Environment and Development Meeting organized in 1992. Thereafter, the Commission VII has been working through ten Working Groups as follows:

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Two years after the Rio Conference 1992, the ISPRS Commission VII organized the first technical scientific meeting related with environment monitoring and resources. The meeting named ECO-RIO 1992 attracted 655 scientists from 16 countries. The proceedings of the meeting were printed in three volumes with a total of 1106 pages.

For the Vienna Congress the Commission VII received the submission of 237 papers. The successful number of papers has been the result of the intensive work of the Working Groups' chairmen.

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