ISPRS Test Project on Urban Classification and 3D Building Reconstruction

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Invitation

ISPRS Commission III would like to welcome participants to the ISPRS Test Project on Urban Classification and 3D Building Reconstruction. This project has been designed to provide our scientific community with state-of-the-art airborne remote sensing data to enable independent benchmark tests of automatic object extraction techniques. We look forward to your valuable contribution!

Project Objectives

- To provide reference state-of-the-art airborne image and LiDAR data sets which can be used by all researchers interested in urban object classification and building reconstruction.
- To enable researchers to test and validate own methods and algorithms on common data sets.
- To numerically assess the results and to publish them on the ISPRS congress.

Object Classes

Two test sites, each containing several test areas for which reference data are available, are provided for the participants in this project in order to evaluate techniques for the extraction of various urban object classes:

- **Urban object detection:** The participants shall carry out object detection such as buildings, roads, trees, artificial ground, natural ground, and cars. Reference data are available for a variety of object classes.
- **3D Building Reconstruction:** The participants shall reconstruct detailed 3D roof structures in the test areas. Detailed 3D models of roofs are available as reference data. They will be used to evaluate the quality of the roof plane segmentation process as well as the geometrical accuracy of the outline polygons of the roof planes.
Dataset

- **Vaihingen/Enz, Germany**: This test data consists of three test areas for which reference data for various object classes are available and a larger test site “Roads” for road extraction.

- **Toronto, Canada**: The data contains representative scene characteristics of modern mega city in the North America including a mixture of low- and high-story buildings with a wide variety of rooftop structures and street and road features.

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