

On 8 August 2011 ISPRS and MDPI AG of Basel Switzerland signed a contract for publishing **the ISPRS International Journal of Geo-Information** (<http://www.mdpi.com/journal/ijgi>). All scientific papers will be peer-reviewed and published rapidly. Prof. Wolfgang Kainz, University of Vienna, was appointed editor-in-chief of the new journal.

The scope of this *open access* journal is to publish regular research papers, reviews and communications. The aim is to encourage scientists to publish their experimental and theoretical results in as much detail as possible. Geo-information covers a wide range of disciplines from geography, remote sensing, cartography, surveying engineering, photogrammetry, mathematics, and physics, to social sciences, philosophy, psychology, cognitive science, and linguistics. Many application domains from archaeology to zoology use geo-information technology for their particular purposes. Contributions are expected from but not limited to the domains of data collection and acquisition, data structures and algorithms, spatio-temporal databases, spatial analysis, data mining, and decision support systems, visualization theory and technology in real and virtual environments, cartography, location based services, uncertainty handling in spatial data, topology, geo-computation, geo-telematics, spatial information infrastructures, interoperability and open systems, as well as applications of geo-information technology.

The first issue will be published 2012. According to the contract there will be no authors' fees for the first two years of 2012 and 2013. All prospective authors are invited to submit papers to the ISPRS IJGI; proposals for special issues are also welcome.