

South East Asia Regional Report

The South East Asia Region has 10 country members in total. Before October 2009, the Representative of the region was Dr. Suvit Vibulsresth from GISTDA, Thailand. Dr. Nguyen Dinh Duong, Institute of Geography, VAST, Vietnam has been nominated as successor after Dr. Suvit Vibulsresth retirement.

During the period from October 2009 up to now several activities have been carried out.

- The SEA regional representative attended the ISPRS Centenary Celebration in Vienna where he made brief report on status of the ISPRS in the region.

- A meeting with regional members had been organized during the ACRS 2010 which was held 1-5 November 2010 in Hanoi. The meeting had 11 participants. List of participants is given in appendix. The meeting was opened by the ISPRS SEA Regional Representative with greeting to all participants and short introduction about the task of the regional representatives. After opening speech, Prof. Ian Dowman provided brief overview about ISPRS to the audience. Prof. Kohei Cho made a short speech about relation between the ISPRS and AARS. Finally a free discussion on how to promote ISPRS activities in the SEA region was opened to the floor. The main issue of the discussion was how to keep communication among members. Dr. Nguyen Dinh Duong suggested holding a meeting with representatives from each member country during the annual ACRS.

- SEA Regional representative had worked closely with ISPRS WG VI/5 and successfully organized the 5th ISPRS Summer School in Hanoi just after the ACRS2010.

- The SEA Regional representative was actively involved in organization of the UNOOSA workshop “Space Technology Applications for Socio-Economic Benefits” which was held in Hanoi 10-14 October 2011. The workshop was organized by UNOOSA, NASA, ESA and ISPRS and hosted by the Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology. ISPRS President Prof. Orhan Altan and Dr. Stan Morain participated the workshop.

- The Vietnam Association of Geodesy, Cartography and Remote Sensing VGCR has become sustaining ISPRS member.

The ACRS 2013 will be organized in Pataya, Thailand and hosted by GISTDA one of the ISPRS SEA member country. I suggest organizing a meeting with IPRS SEA country representatives during the ACRS 2013 to discuss on collaboration issues.

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Discussion during SEA country member meeting during the ACRS2010



The second Space Technology workshop