

Report of GSW 2017

The Geo-spatial Week 2017 (GSW 2017), approved by ISPRS Council and held by Wuhan University from Sept. 18-22, was successfully closed in Wuhan. With the great efforts of Local Organization Committee and Program Committee, and the guidance of International Scientific Committee and ISPRS Council, GSW 2017 won a great success.

More than 1200 participants from 33 countries and regions joined this great event, and 40 companies in the field of geo-informatics showed their products. 10 workshops attracted more than 650 submissions from about 300 institutes in the world. After careful reviewing, 395 manuscripts were accepted as oral and poster presentations. The accepted submissions were also published in ISPRS archives or ISPRS annals. At the grand opening ceremony, chairman of GSW 2017, Deren Li and ISPRS president, Christian Heipke delivered the welcome address, and splendid Chinese dance was also presented to all participants. During the five-day meeting, abundant academic and social activities took place. 6 keynote speakers and 35 invited speakers delivered the latest research outcomes and insights in the field of geo-informatics, such as autonomous driving and artificial intelligence, about 240 and 80 manuscripts were presented in oral sessions and poster sessions, respectively. Moreover, 3 tutorials were organized by ESRI and two professors to show the participants the related geo-spatial topics. 6 GSW 2017 travel grants, 10 best oral presentations, and 8 best poster presentations were approved after careful reviewing by the workshops chairs, and awarded with certificates and cash prizes at the closing ceremony. GSW 2017 provides good platform for researchers of geoinformatics to present the latest research activities and explore the opportunities and challenges. "It was a great time to see more and more young researchers and professors in the world present their research outcomes and share their ideas at GSW 2017", as said by Prof. Deren Li, the chairman of GSW 2017. At the closing ceremony of GSW 2017, ISPRS Council announced that the ISPRS GSW Selection Committee elected Dubai Municipality to host the GSW2019, which will be held from 24-28 March, 2019.