

## My Experience in Delft for the ISPRS Commission IV Symposium 2018

My attendance at the Symposium began with my walk along the canals of Delft, an idyllic Dutch city where cyclists rule rush hour. On this walk, while I digested my Hagelslag, I was accompanied by the students of TU Delft arriving for classes and the many other attendees from nearby hotels. A better location would have been hard to find for this Symposium. The ISPRS Symposium was a part of the GeoDelft 2018 event that was well organized across all four events, with the sessions running smoothly allowing those who stayed within their time limits to field questions from the audience.



During the appreciated coffee sessions and delicious lunches, I was able to meet fellow researchers and industry partners from around the world. This was a huge benefit to me by getting to meet the authors of papers we have cited and possible future employers from both academic and industry backgrounds. The inclusion of the four events at this joint conference allowed for the exchange of ideas and opinions between groups that may have otherwise been separated.

The attendance at the ISPRS Symposium provided me with the opportunity to discuss the research with many presenters and to gain additional insights from different perspectives including 3D visualization, 3D cadasters and building indoor/outdoor information modeling. This will be highly beneficial for my future doctoral research through considering different techniques to potentially integrate and to improve the 4D modeling approaches. In addition, the experience of working on the paper that was published in the ISPRS Annals for the Symposium was highly beneficial. The current work was focused on an agent-based model of forest fire smoke propagation, and we are planning to extend this model in 3D. The submission process for the paper was a valuable learning opportunity as this is my first published paper and the feedback was very helpful.



I attended this conference along with my supervisor from Simon Fraser University (SFU) Prof. Suzana Dragicevic and another PhD student Ian Lochhead who was attending 3D GeoInfo conference. I would like to thank the ISPRS Foundation for their generous support of my attendance with a travel grant, it is greatly appreciated. Overall, I had a great experience at the ISPRS Commission IV Symposium 2018 and the GeoDelft 2018 conferences, and I look forward to the next opportunity to possibly attend the XXIV ISPRS Congress in Nice, France in 2020.