

ISPRS Geospatial week 2019

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It has been a great experience attending the ISPRS Geospatial week in Enschede this Jun where I met many intelligent and sharp international PhD students, experienced colleagues, experts, specialists in various geospatial disciplines. I would like to take this chance to reflect upon my enriching experiences and summarize in what way this event helps me to adopt an international perspective on how to benefit from exchange of ideas, sharing of expertise, socializing with international counterparts etc., in the meantime examine its relevance to my career.

I attended last three days of the Conference. On 12th of Jun on the session of ISSDQ I have presented work of Daniela Carrion and me. It was the first time for me to present at the conference, session was well attended, and the presentation went very well, I connected with many people. At the coffee break I had the opportunity to speak with chairman of the session Alfred Stein that motivated me a lot. The chairman of the 4th working group Maria Antonia Brovelli invited me on a dinner with representatives of the National Geomatics Center of China. Mixing business and pleasure we spoke about future possibilities for collaboration and projects.



Figure 1. 12th Jun Presentation: Quality check of Crisis Maps
Produced over five years by Copernicus EMS



Figure 2 Dinner Politecnico di Milano (Italy) and GNSS (China)

On the 13th of Jun I have presented the work of my colleagues that could not come to the conference. This presentation, at the urban application session, I found very challenging since I wanted to present the idea and the results of the others, in the best possible way. At the end, after the questions I had many new contacts and the new ideas for my future research.

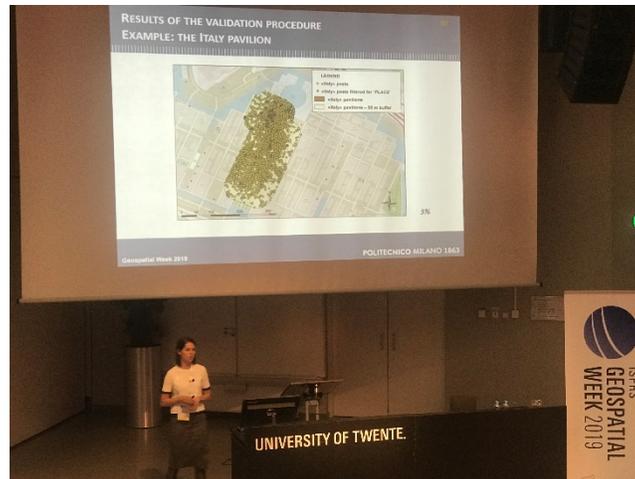


Figure 3 13th Jun Presentation: Semantic Validation of Social Media Geographic Information: A Case Study on Instagram Data for Expo Milano 2015

At the gala diner I have had honor to be at the table with VGI chairman, Cidalia Costa Fonte, where I had a very pleasant conversation with her and soon, we found that there might be chances for collaboration. She invited me to attend the COST ACTION training school that was focused on Quality control of OpenStreetMap Data. I gave it some thought and happily accepted her kind invitation, the day after Geospatial Week I departed for Portugal.

In conclusion, I would like to express my heart-felt thanks to people who have made this conference possible and those who have shared their experiences during that one exciting week in Enschede. After this first experience at the conference I can say that I benefited very much from this fantastic event.