



Memorandum of Understanding between the IEEE-Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (IEEE-GRSS) and the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS)

HAVING regard to the common interests of ISPRS and IEEE-GRSS in developments and applications of geoscience and remote sensing;

RECOGNISING that both ISPRS and IEEE-GRSS organise regular conferences on developments and applications of geoscience and remote sensing;

WISHING to develop closer relationships between participants in the two organisations, that will lead to collaboration at conferences and joint developments and applications of geoscience and remote sensing;

this Memorandum of Understanding is signed between the two societies in order to develop jointly, coordinate or cross exchange information and programmes for mutual benefit, and thus to establish a long term cooperation.

Calendar of Activity

The cooperation in a first step will aim at exchanging and coordinating a calendar of future activities in order to reduce potential overlapping or duplication of efforts.

Mutual Representation

Each partner agrees to have a formal representation at respective major meetings as agreed in advance together with the proper recognition and visibility during the events and in the associated publications prior, during or after the meetings. The additional objective would be:

- to increase the quality of the events by combining expertise of both partners while reducing the number of events,
- to promote inside each organisation the image and work of the other,
- encourage collaboration between relevant ISPRS Technical Commissions and Working Groups and IEEE-GRSS Technical Committees.

Furthermore, each Society will endeavour to organise joint sessions at events of the other.

Joint Participation to Events and Meetings and other Activities

Partners may decide to have a joint participation to events organized by third parties in a way coordinated in advance that fits each partner strategy and gives a harmonized partnership image and stronger influence.

Partners may decide to visit jointly, organize joint events or embark in cooperation programs with specific countries or regions such as developing countries or countries emerging in given fields of technology. An example is the biennial series of "Joint ISPRS / IEEE-GRSS Latin American Remote Sensing and Geoscience Conferences". Partners agree to jointly organise this conference series in Latin America, with the first edition to take place by 2020 in Santiago de Chile.

Publications and Studies

Partners may decide to cooperate with the proper recognition and visibility in the preparation and the publication of studies or position papers that may cover technical or policy issues.

Costs

Each partner shall pay its own costs and expenses with respect to its activities under this MOU, and neither partner shall have the authority to act on behalf of or obligate the other partner (financially or otherwise) without such partner's prior written consent.

This MOU, signed herein by the authorized signatories of IEEE-GRSS and ISPRS shall be effective from the date of its signing by both the partners.

For IEEE-GRSS

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