

Report from the Canadian National Committee (CNC) on Cartography and the CIG Technical Councillor for Cartography

1. International Cartographic Association News

ICA 2009, Santiago, Chile

The 24th International Cartographic Conference is planned for November 15-21, 2009, in Santiago, Chile. The first call for papers has been issued and is available at the conference website (<http://www.icc2009.cl/>); I have circulated the announcement to the CCA List. Submission categories include refereed papers, non-refereed papers, and posters. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **January 16th, 2009** for all categories. Authors submitting a refereed paper must submit the entire paper at this time, whereas only the abstract needs to be submitted for the non-refereed category or poster.

Registration fees for the full conference are set at 479 euros (approx. CAN\$735). The conference will include plenary sessions related to the conference themes, technical exhibits, the International Map Exhibition and the Barbara Petchenik Children's Map Competition and Exhibition. This is an interim conference; a meeting of the ICA General Assembly will not take place until the 2011 conference in Paris, France.

CNC Meeting, Carto 2008, Vancouver

A CNC meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 16th at 12 noon, during Carto 2008. Everyone is welcome. The discussion will review our current membership, plan for replacements as necessary, and consider Canadian nominations for ICA activities (see below).

ICA Nominations:

- Dr. Jonathon Li, an Associate Professor at the University of Waterloo, has been nominated to serve as a Canadian Representative on the *ICA Commission on Mapping from Satellite Imagery*. His nomination was accepted by Dr. Metternicht, Chair of the Commission.
- We have been invited to nominate a Canadian representative for the *ICA Commission on education and Training*, which is chaired by Dr. David Fraser, Associate Professor at RMIT, Melbourne, Australia.
- Although new ICA executive members will not be voted upon until 2011 (in Paris, France), it is time to start thinking about Canadian candidates who could be nominated for positions such as Vice-President.

Other ICA News:

A revised policy on the distribution of hardcopy versions of the ICA Newsletter reduces the number of copies members will receive. I will only receive copies for the members of the CNC committee, and others CCA members will need to access the digital copy on the ICA webpage (www.icaci.org). The latest ICA Newsletter is Number 49, December, 2007.

CCA members may be interested in the following upcoming ICA activities:

- **May 5, 2008**, in Girona, Spain: Workshop of GeoVisualization of Dynamics, Movement and Change. (<http://geoanalytics.net/GeoVis08>)
- **June 20-21**, 2008, in Montpellier, France: 11th ICA Workshop on Generalisation and

Muliple Representations (<http://ica.ign.fr/montpellier2008/workshop.php>)

- **July 2, 2008**, in Urumqi, China: ICA Workshop on *The Cost of Quality*, organized by the ICA Commission on the Management and Economics of Map Production (<http://cartogis.ugent.be/intercarto>)
- **Sept. 23, 2008**, in Park City, Utah, USA: Workshop on GeoSpatial Visual Analytics (<http://geoanalytics.net/GeoVisualAnalytics08/>)
- **Nov. 26-28, 2008** in Salzburg, Austria: 5th International Symposium on Location Based Services and Telecartography (<http://www.lbs2008.org/>)
- **April 13-16, 2009** in Dagstul, Germany: Seminar on Generalization of Spatial Information (<http://ica.ign.fr/dagstul2009/seminar.php>)
- The ICA Working Group on Art and Cartography held its first Symposium in Vienna, Austria, from Jan. 31 – Feb. 2, 2008. For more details on their activities see <http://artcarto.wordpress.com/>

2. Canadian Institute of Geomatics News

The most recent CIG counsel meeting was held by teleconference on Feb. 27th, 2008. Bob Parkinson is the current President, while Simon Lanoix serves as Vice President. The Executive Director, Jean Thie, has resigned the position and applications for Executive Director are currently being accepted (http://www.cig-acsg.ca/files/CIG/aCIG_Executive_Director_08.pdf).

The CIG has downsized its office space and moved to a new location. Their current address is: The Canadian Institute of Geomatics, 900 Dynes Road, Suite 100 D, Ottawa, Ontario, K2C 3L6 Canada, Tel: 613-224-9851 Fax: 613-224-9577. (www.cig-acsg.ca). The 2008 AGM will be held in conjunction with *Geomatics Atlantic* in October, 2008. More information will be sent to the CCA List when it becomes available.

3. NACIS News

The North American Cartographic Information Society is holding its 28th annual conference in Missoula, Montana, from October 8-11, 2008. The call for participation has been issued, and the deadline to submit an abstract for a presentation is May 31, 2008. Space for a poster must be reserved by Sept. 19th, 2008. The conference will be preceded by *Practical Cartography Day*, a full day of workshops. More information is available at www.nacis.org.

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