

Minutes, Joint Council and TCP Meeting

20 & 21 September, 2017

Wuhan, China

In Attendance:

President	Christian Heipke (CH)
Secretary General	Lena Halounová (LH)
First Vice President	Chen Jun (CJ)
Second Vice President	Charles Toth (CT)
Congress Director	Nicolas Papparoditis (NP)
Treasurer	Songnian Li (SL)
TCP Commission I	Martin Weinmann (MW)
TCP Commission II	Fabio, Remondino, (FR), Takashi Fuse (TF)
TCP Commission III	Jie Jiang (JJ), Ahmed Shaker (AS)
TCP Commission IV	Sisi Zlatanova (SZ)
TCP Commission V	P.L.N. Raju (PR)
Guest	Sheryl Rose Reyes (SRR), Chair Student Consortium
Guest	Zhilin Li (ZL), Editor ISPRS Book Series
Guest	Lan Song (LS), Representative Elsevier
Guest	Derek Lichti (DL), Editor-in-Chief, ISPRS Journal
Guest	Wolfgang Kainz (WK), Editor, IJ-GI
Guest	Ian Dowman, Chair ISAC

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Minutes

1. Opening Remarks

CH opened the meeting on 20 September, 2017 at 10am and thanked the participants for their attendance.

2. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

3. Approval of JM Minutes of 17 & 18 October, 2016 (Colombo)

The JM Minutes from 17 & 18 October 2016 in Colombo were approved.

4. Review of TCP Action List

The action list was updated.

5. Science and Policy Matters

5.1. Results from CM on important Science and Policy Matters - Reviewing Process planned for the next Congress

The necessity for a consistent reviewing process for all commissions was discussed. NP is to compose clearly defined information for authors and reviewers which is to be broadly disseminated.

NP proposed to divide submissions into two groups – research and application. The appropriate group would then be selected by the author. ISAC was asked to advise on this proposal.

Action 17/2019: NP to prepare the reviewing process document, taking into account ISAC's advice, by 31 Dec 2017

5.2. Scientific Initiative

The necessity for more transparency in the evaluation process to enable feedback about the result was discussed. FR suggested to accept less projects, and thus increase funding for the individual projects. AS suggested accepting one project per TC, depending on quality, to engage all TCs.

Action 17/2020: SL is to prepare new SI regulations, based on the comments given by TCPs, for Cnl approval, by 30 November 2017

Action 17/2021: LH to distribute new SI regulations to TCPs for comments, by 31 Dec 2017

Action 17/2022: SL to inform SI 2017 recipients (in cc to TCP's) that they are expected to present their projects at the appropriate Symposium next year, by 15 October 2017

Action 17/2023: TCPs to follow up with SI 2017 recipients on preparation of SI presentations for Symposium, in due time

Action 17/2024: SL to inform SI 2017 recipients to publish benchmarks at their WG web sites, asap

6. Technical Commissions

6.1. Reports from TCPs

TCPs reported on the progress within the commissions. With few exceptions, WGs are working well.

Those TCPs who have not yet obtained all signed commission forms from their working group officers are to attend to the matter.

Action 17/2025: TCPs are to inform WGs that WS (ISPRS sponsored) proceedings be published in ISPRS Archives and Annals and ISPRS co-sponsored WS may also be published, by 15 Oct 2017

Action 17/2026: Those Commissions who have not yet obtained all signed commission forms from WG officers are to attend to the matter, by 30 Nov 2017

Cnl requested Com. III take the developments concerning ICORSE into account. Given that Guo Huadong from China is the new chair of ICORSE, the Commission should try to involve ICORSE in the upcoming Com. III Symposium in an appropriate way. It would also be good to have good ISPRS representation at the next ISRSSE, which is planned for 2019 in the US, probably to be held in Denver.

Action 17/2027: JJ to contact Guo Huadong concerning a possible cooperation for the upcoming Com. III Symposium, by 31 Dec. 2017.

6.2. TC Symposia 2018

6.2.1. Dates, Locations

Comm	Date	Location	Country
I	October 9 - 12	Karlsruhe	Germany
II	June 3 - 7	Riva del Garda	Italy
III	May 7 - 10	Beijing	China
IV	October 1 - 5	Delft	The Netherlands
V	November 27 - 30	New Delhi	India

TCPs are reminded that at each Symposia a board meeting of the respective commission is to be convened, and that all WG officers should plan to attend. WG officers have to be informed to take part. A template for the agenda will be distributed by SG in due time.

Action 17/2028: TCPs to inform WG officers of board meeting to take place at Symposium, by 30 Oct 2017

Action 17/2029: SG to forward agenda template for TC board meeting, in due time

CT is point of contact to disseminate information via social Media channels for Symposia.

6.2.2. Contracts for Symposia

Action 17/2030: TCPs to sign Symposia contracts at the latest 1 year before the Symposium

6.2.3. TC Websites

All TCPs are requested to add a link to their symposia web site from the corresponding TC web sites. TCPs are also to check that details in symposium contract are published on the Symposium web site (e.g. fee types)

Action 17/2031: TCPs to check their Symposium web site and link it to the TC web site, by 31 Oct 2017

7. Geospatial Week 2017

TCPs are asked to support GSW organisers. TCPs voiced their desire to have voting rights for future GSW elections. TCPs are to forward ideas to Cnl, on further Selection Committee members.

Action 17/2032: TCPs to propose further GSW Selection Committee candidates, by 31 Nov 2017

8. Geospatial Weeks – Guidelines

The Guidelines for voting for the GSW are to be revised. TCPs were informed.

Action 17/2033: TCPs to comment on GSW Guidelines prepared by Cnl, in due time

9. Student Consortium

SRR reported on the re-organisation of the Student Consortium. She presented the new newsletter, titled SPECTRUM. The newsletter, along with any other relevant information, can be forwarded to the SG to be advertised in the eBulletin. CH thanked SRR and her team for the successful work.

The sustainability of the SC board was discussed. Establishing a procedure of electing board members in a rolling fashion was mentioned as one possibility. Ideas on how to ensure this are still to be found.

Council would like to see a closer collaboration between the SC and the TCs and suggested a type of student meeting at Symposia. This could be in the form of student sessions similar to those at Congress, where Student Forums are organised, with the SC being responsible for both the reviewing process and the sessions.

Action 17/2034: CT to receive commented Guidelines for organising SSs from SRR and distribute to CH and SK, by 15 Oct 2017

Action 17/2035: CT to check SC control that the newsletter name not be used elsewhere and act accordingly, 30 Nov 2017

Action 17/2036: CT to check SC update database of members, by 30 Nov 2017

Action 17/2037: CT to check SC prepare a strategy how to improve SC membership, in due time

10. ISPRS Publications

10.1. Book Series Policy and Plan

In celebration of the 80th anniversary of the ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, ZL proposed publishing a collection containing the all-time best Journal papers. For copyright reasons, the publication can only be in digital form and published by Elsevier. Cnl agreed on ZL's proposal.

Action 17/2038: CT to follow up ZL's preparation of a collection of all-time best Journal papers for JP&RS anniversary, by 31 March 2018

Action 17/2039: CT to check ZL nominate members for an Advisory Board for the Book Series, by 31 Dec 2017.

ZL reported that he had received requests to publish 4 books. Two were rejected and two are under evaluation.

Action 17/2040: CT to follow up that ZL thank authors of rejected books for their effort and redirect them to a better positioned publisher, by 30 Nov 2017

Action 17/2041: CT to follow up that ZL finalize the decision about the last 2 books, by 31 Dec 2017

10.2. IJPRS Elsevier and EiC Reports

DL gave an overview of the successful development of the journal.

DL asked for suggestions for theme issues which would preferably not be generated from prior scientific workshops but be more focused in scope.

Action 17/2042: TCPs to inform their WG officers on this proposal, by 30 Nov 2017

DL asked to nominate 4 additional Associate editors.

Action 17/2043: CT to discuss this issue with DL, QW and Elsevier to find a solution, by 31 Dec 2017

10.3. IJGI EiC Report

WK presented the successful development of the journal.

Action 17/2044: CT is to ask WK to supply statistics on the topics of the submissions to Cnl, by 30 Nov 2017

10.4. ISPRS eBulletin, GIM, Geoinformatics and TC Contributions

TCPs agreed to submit an article on their respective Symposium for the eBulletin. GIM and Geoinformatics themes and responsibilities were discussed and delegated.

Due dates are permanently in the TCP exchange dropbox.

10.5. ISPRS Biennial Report 2016/17

TCs are required to submit a report on commission activities for the new edition. The SC and editors in chief are also asked to submit a report. Biennial report from previous period were distributed as examples.

Action 17/2045: AR to forward template of Biennial Report to TCPs, by 15 Oct 2017

Action 17/2046: TCPs to submit reports for Biennial Report to LH, by 15 Dec 2017

11. Relationships with International and other Organisations - ICSU, GEO, UN GGIM, UN GGIM Geospatial Societies (previously JBGIS), UNOOSA

LH explained the relationship between ISPRS and the above named organisations and their functions.

12. Coming Meetings

12.1. Next Joint Meeting

New Delhi, TC V Symposium, November 2018

Attendance throughout the Symposium days (27 Nov - 3 Dec) is recommended. All TCPs and Vice TCPs are welcome.

13. Any other Business

None

14. Closing

CH thanked the participants for their time and work and closed the meeting on 21 September 2017 at 17:35.