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- I. news from the Bureau Members
- II. general information
- III. reports of IAG symposia
- IV. reports by commissions, special commissions or study groups
- V. symposia announcements
- VI. book reviews
- VII. fast bibliography

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Meeting Announcements

Dynamic Planet 2005 – important deadlines, grants & awards

Abstract deadline: May 6, 2005.



"Monitoring and Understanding a Dynamic Planet with Geodetic and Oceanographic Tools"

A Joint Assembly of the IAG, IAPSO and IABO

22 - 26 August 2005, Cairns, Australia

Scientists from all countries are invited to participate in this unique conference – a joint assembly of the International Association of Geodesy (IAG), International Association for Physical Sciences of the Oceans (IAPSO), and the International Association for Biological Oceanography (IBO). For further information, please visit the Dynamic Planet website <http://www.dynamicplanet2005.com>.

Grants and Awards

Dynamic Planet Student Grants

Awards of up to AU\$880 will be made available to assist students of Australian nationality or residency (PhD and MSc by research) to attend the conference. An additional AU\$330 will be made available to those students whose institutions have not covered the registration fee. Applications should be sent to the Conference Secretariat - info@dynamicplanet2005.com - by **6 May 2005**.

AGU Student Members Grants

Funds are available through AGU for partial support of student travel. The abstract and application deadline is **6 May 2005**. For complete information and application instructions go to: http://www.agu.org/meetings/STG/iahsi_stg.html

IAG and IAPSO Grants

If you have submitted an abstract and wish to be considered for a Grant to support your participation please visit the conference website www.dynamicplanet2005.com and return the Grant Application form located on the Registration Page.

For further details on the above grants please visit <http://www.dynamicplanet2005.com/news/issue-5/>.

IAG Sponsored Meetings

EUREF Symposium 2005 Vienna

1-4 June 2005, Vienna, Austria

The next regular EUREF 2005 Symposium will be held in Vienna, Austria, June 1-4, 2005. More detailed information please find updated on the Symposia homepage <http://euref2005.oeaw.ac.at/>.

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7th conference on Optical 3-D Measurement Techniques

3-5 October 2005, Vienna, Austria

The 7th conference on "Optical 3-D Measurement Techniques" will be held from October 3-5, 2005 in Vienna, Austria and is co-sponsored by the ISPRS Commission V, the FIG Commission 5 and 6, and the IAG Sub-commission 4.2. The conference website is: <http://info.tuwien.ac.at/ingeo/optical3d/o3d.htm>. The first announcement in pdf format can be downloaded from the conference website at: <http://info.tuwien.ac.at/ingeo/optical3d/o3d1st.pdf>.

Summer School on Microgravimetric methods: static and dynamic aspects

23-28 October, 2005, Lanzarote, Canaries

The International Gravimetric Bureau (BGI), the International Center for Earth Tides (ICET) and the Instituto de Astronomia y Geodesia (IAG) are pleased to announce their joint Summer School on Microgravimetric Methods: static and dynamic aspects. The request for information email is to: bernard.langellier@cnes.fr. Please also visit the BGI website for further details: <http://bgi.cnes.fr>

IAG Related Meetings

GIS Planet 2005

30 May- 2 June 2005, Estoril, Lisboa Portugal

The II conference & exhibition on geographic information will take place Estoril Congress Centre, Lisboa Portugal. GIS PLANET is a global, independent and open event dedicated to Geographic Information. More information is available at <http://www.gisplanet.org>.

AOGS 2nd Annual Meeting 2005

20-24 June 2005, Suntec, Singapore

The Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS) will hold its 2nd Meeting on 20 to 24 June, 2005 at the Singapore Suntec City Convention Centre. In all, over 100 sessions in Solid Earth, Solar Terrestrial, Planetary Science, Hydrological Science, Oceans & Atmospheres and Interdisciplinary Working Groups. Additionally, nearly all sections have an Open Category for garnering submissions of its own class. For more details please visit <http://www.asiaoceania-conference.org/>.

French speaking school on the geoid

27 June - 1 July 2005, Marne la Vallée CEDEX, France

Institut Géographique National (France), Bureau Gravimétrique International, and Observatoire Royal de Belgique sponsors a French speaking school on the geoid. For further information please visit the IAG webpage <http://www.iag-aig.org>.

IAMAS 2005

2-11 August 2005, Beijing, China

The International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences (IAMAS), will hold its biennial Scientific Assembly in Beijing, China from 2-11 August 2005. The theme of the conference is The Fascinating Atmosphere: Changeable and Changing, and will cover all areas of meteorology and atmospheric sciences, including dynamics, radiation, chemistry, electricity, clouds and precipitation, and climate variability and change. Further details can be found on the IAMAS 2005 web site <http://www.iamas2005.com>.

12th International Symposium on Deformation Measurement

12-15 September 2005, Qingdao, China

You are cordially invited to the 12th International Symposium on Deformation Measurements organized by Commission 6 of the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) to be held in Qingdao, China, 12-15 September 2005. Please visit the conference website for further information: <http://www.fig.net/isdm12>.

4th Congress of the Balkan Geophysical Society

9-12 October 2005, Bucharest, Romania

The International Conference and Exhibition “Geophysics Without Frontiers” is organized and hosted by the Romanian Society of Geophysics in cooperation with EAGE, SEG, EGU and AGU, under the auspices of the IUGG. The Congress focuses the attention of the whole community of geophysicists on Balkans. The conference webpage is www.bgs-bucharest2005.ro.

The International Symposium on GPS/GNSS 2005 (GNSS2005)

8-10 December 2005, Hong Kong

The International Symposium on GPS/GNSS 2005 (GNSS2005) will take place in Hong Kong, 8-10 December 2005. The symposium will feature a session of presentations from the Civil GPS Service Interface Committee (CGSIC). For details, please visit the following URL: <http://www.lsgi.polyu.edu.hk/GNSS2005/>.

IAG Sister Societies' General Assemblies

SRTM Workshop and Special Issue of Journal of Photogrammetric Engineering & Remote Sensing (PE&RS)

14-16, June 2005, Reston, Virginia, USA

A workshop will be held June 14-16, 2005 in Reston, Virginia on SRTM Data Validation and Applications. Abstracts are due April 15, 2005. Details may be found at: <http://edc.usgs.gov/conferences/SRTM/>

Call for Papers: PE&RS Special Issue on Mapping Mars, October 2005

This special issue of Photogrammetric Engineering & Remote Sensing (PE&RS) will focus on recent advancements in surveying and mapping of Mars. For further details, please visit http://www.asprs.org/publications/pers/call_for_papers.html

ICC2005 Conference

9-16 July 2005, A Coruña, Spain

The XXII International Cartographic Conference (ICC) is the most important event in the International Cartographic Association (ICA) calendar. Please visit <http://www.icc2005.org> for details.

ISPRS Workshop Laser scanning 2005

12-14 September 2005, Enschede, the Netherlands

The workshop, held at the ITC in Enschede, will bring together an interdisciplinary group of researchers, system developers, data providers and end users to discuss and demonstrate recent developments in laser scanner data processing, the potential of the technique and future trends in sensorics and data processing. Further information on the workshop can be obtained from <http://www.itc.nl/isprswgIII-3/laserscanning2005/>.

4th FIG Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean

26-29 September 2005, Havana, Cuba

The 4th FIG Regional Conference will be organized by FIG together with UNAICC in Havana, Cuba. This conference will also be the first FIG regional conference to be held in Latin America and the Caribbean. The first invitation and call for papers now available through the conference webpage: <http://www.fig.net/havana>.