

Minutes, Joint Council and TCP Meeting 2016

March 16 + 17, 2016

Dubai

In Attendance:

President	Chen Jun (CJ)
Secretary General	Christian Heipke (CH)
First Vice President	Orhan Altan (OA)
Second Vice President	Marguerite Madden (MM)
Congress Director	Lena Halounová (LH)
Treasurer	Jon Philip Mills (JPM)
TCP Commission I	Charles Toth (CT)
TCP Commission II	Songnian Li (SL)
TCP Commission III	Konrad Schindler (KS)
TCP Commission IV	Jie Jiang (JJ)
TCP Commission V	Fabio Remondino (FR)
TCP Commission VI	Jianya Gong (JG)
TCP Commission VII	Filiz Sunar (FS)
TCP Commission VIII	P.L.N. Raju (PR), for Vinay K. Dadhwal (VD)

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Minutes

1. Opening Remarks

CJ welcomed the TCPs and opened the meeting at 9:00.

2. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

3. Review of Previous Meetings

3.1. Approval of Minutes, Prague, July, 2015.

The Minutes from the Prague meeting were approved.

3.2. Review of Council + Com. President Action List

The Action List was reviewed and updated.

4. Science Issues

4.1. ISPRS Publication Strategy

MM reported on of the status of the publications and presented the new ISPRS Publication Policy. After a short discussion the paper was accepted and it was decided to publish it on the ISPRS web site.

Action 16/2001: CH to put publication strategy on web site, by April 30, 2016.

4.2. ISPRS Annals and Archives

Roughly 50% of publications have now been indexed by the Web of Science. The process takes time and the remaining publications will certainly be indexed in the next few months.

It was decided that the exact date of publication of ISPRS Archives and Annals will be the first day of the respective meeting. An exception will be made for the Congress in Prague, for which the publication date will be negotiated between Copernicus and LH.

4.3. Scientific Initiatives

Cnl concerned itself with the efficiency of the initiatives and requested a review of the reports submitted from funded projects by ISAC. ISACs review voiced positive tendencies and recommended the continuation of the SIs, including a few recommendations to ensure the supported projects are more relevant for ISPRS and the results are made more visible and

are accessible for the community. Based on the results it is planned to continue issuing calls for the SI in odd years, subject to availability of resources.

5. Policy Matters and Society Management

5.1. Prague Declaration

CJ shortly reported on the status of the Prague declaration. TCPs are requested to submit comments to CJ to be considered.

Action 16/2002: TCPs to comment on Prague Declaration, April 1st by 2016.

5.2. Candidates for 2016-2020 Period

TCPs were informed of the present status of bids for both Congress 2020 and the future five Technical Commissions. All bidding documents will appear on the web site for easy access.

Action 16/2003: CH to have bidding documents placed on website, before Congress.

6. The XXIII Congress in Prague 2016

6.1. Programme: Technical Sessions, Theme Sessions, Special Sessions etc.

TCPs have allocated sessions for the Congress programme according to suggestions and preparations by LH. The programme will be finalised within the next few weeks. TCPs are asked to suggest fill-ins for drop-out papers for their sessions upon request.

Recipients of funded Scientific Initiatives will be asked to prepare a poster to exhibit the results of their projects, which will be displayed throughout the entire time of the congress. Another poster promoting the dates and times of presented SI papers will be displayed.

TCPs are to select one Best Paper of Young Authors per Commission and inform LH by March 31, 2016. LH is to inform awardees.

TCPs are to select the two Best Posters per Commission and inform LH, at the latest, directly after the last poster session of their Commission. TCPS are free to ask for help from their WG officers for the selection. LH is to then inform recipients so they may be present for the presentation at the closing ceremony when possible.

Action 16/2004: TCPs to inform LH of Best Paper of Young Author per Commission, by 31 March, 2016.

Action 16/2005: TCPs to select the two Best Posters per Commission and inform LH directly after last poster session.

Action 16/2006: LH to inform awardees, immediately after having received the decisions from TCPs.

The reviewing system should be thought through for the future to improve the procedure used for the Congress.

Action 16/2007: CH to make sure a committee is formed to review the review procedure for future meetings, by Congress.

6.2. Opening and Closing Sessions, Plenary Sessions

The TCPs confirmed that they will be present at the opening ceremony. They will be seated on the stage for the whole ceremony.

6.3. National Mapping and Cadastre Agency Forum and Space Agency Forum

CH reported on the Fora. FR asked if it will be possible to receive the presentations in digital form. The speakers will be asked to make their submissions available.

6.4. Resolutions

TCPs presented their draft resolutions in the requested format for the new commissions. The current versions were discussed. The final drafts are to be forwarded to OA. A resolutions meeting will take place at Congress, which will be arranged by OA.

Action 16/2008: TCPs to update draft resolutions according to discussions and submit to OA, by March 31, 2016.

6.5. Exhibition

About 70% of the exhibition space has been booked. The Exhibitors showcase will take place during coffee and lunch breaks and will be advertised at the Congress.

6.6. Local Issues

Input for the Congress Daily newspaper at Congress was discussed. LH will request guidelines from publishers (GIM) and will inform TCPs of necessary preparation.

Action 16/2009: LH to inform TCPs of necessary preparations for daily newspaper, in due time.

Web streaming of Opening, Closing and Plenary sessions was discussed. Quotes to provide this service are to be requested.

Action 16/2010: LH to arrange quote for web streaming, in due time.

6.7. Schedule of Activities and Actions Pre-Prague

TCPs are asked to attend the following meetings at Congress:

JM with Council	Monday, July 11	5:00 - 6:00 pm
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Opening Ceremony	Tuesday, July 12	4:30 - 6:30 pm
TCP Open Meetings with new TCPs	Thursday, July 14	12:00 - 13:30 pm
TCP Open Meetings with new TCPs	Friday, July 15	12:00 - 13:30 pm,
Hand-over old + new TCP, Cnl	Sunday, July 17	12:00 - 13:30 pm
Closing Ceremony	Tuesday, July 19	1:30 - 3:30 pm
Resolution meeting	tbd.	

MM and JG (TCVI) are asked to attend the Youth Forum on Sunday, July 17.

A detailed list of duties will be supplied by LH within the next few weeks.

Action 16/2011: LH to forward list of duties to TCPs, in due time.

6.8. Awards

The presently published version of the guidelines for nomination for the Presidents Citation are not being followed for this Congress, and will be changed in due time. As Cnl decided at the CM in Beijing in Jan. 2016 upon request from a TCP, it is now possible to nominate more than one person, provided they are all from the same WG.

Best Papers from Young Authors are to be selected from those papers accepted for the Annals. The applicant will be asked to forward a copy of identification to verify age. Papers with TCP co-authors should not be selected.

Any opinions related to changes necessary or questions on the reviewing process used for Congress are to be forwarded to CH post Congress. An ad-hoc reviewing group will then be formed to revise the process.

Action 16/2012: CH to draft update of Regulations for President's Citation and forward to Cnl for approval, by May 31, 2016.

7. Coming Meetings

7.1. Next Meeting

Meetings will occur during the Congress, see item 6.7 of these minutes.

8. Any Other Business

none

9. Closing

CJ thanked the TCPs for their time, energy and resources over the past four years and expressed his appreciation for the good progress made. He looks forward to continued collaboration between the outgoing presidents and the ISPRS. The TCPs thanked LH for the free registration at the Congress. CJ closed the meeting at 12:30.