



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**between the**  
**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR PHOTOGRAMMETRY**  
**AND REMOTE SENSING**  
**and the**  
**SOCIEDAD LATINOAMERICANA EN PERCEPCIÓN REMOTA Y SISTEMAS DE**  
**INFORMACIÓN ESPACIAL (SELPER)**

NOTING that the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS) is an international non-governmental organization that enhances international cooperation between the worldwide organizations with interests in the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences. ISPRS achieves its aims by advancing knowledge in the areas of interest of ISPRS by encouraging and facilitating research and development, scientific networking and interdisciplinary activities, facilitating education and training with particular emphasis in less developed countries, and enhancing public recognition of the contributions of the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences for the benefit of humankind and the sustainability of the environment.

NOTING that the Sociedad Latinoamericana en Percepción Remota y Sistemas de Información Espacial (SELPER) is a Latin American non-governmental organization that aims at supporting and promoting in the Latin American region the activities related to remote sensing and spatial information systems and at encouraging the professional advancement of its members also through education, training and capacity building, with the ultimate objective of favouring a positive contribution to the benefit of the Latin American community and its institutions. In this context, SELPER is instrumental in stimulating national and international cooperation among specialists and entities that work on research, development, applications and operations in the fields of remote sensing and spatial information systems, fostering a close technical and scientific cooperation between relevant public and private sectors.

CONCLUDING that the ISPRS and SELPER share a common interest in addressing issues relating to the development of technology, standards and applications for a range of remote sensing and geospatial data handling purposes, notably in acquisition, management, visualization, analysis and dissemination as well as in strengthening networking and further promoting the Remote Sensing Research Community.

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is presented to provide a framework for a continuing liaison between the two organizations for two years. This will be achieved by maintaining and increasing the opportunities of scientific, technical and professional as well as academic and educational exchange between their members, through a continuing programme of co-operation leading to mutual sharing of knowledge and expertise to the advantage of both organizations.



Both organizations HEREBY AGREE to endeavor to intensify their co-operation for mutual benefit. The following steps will be taken, among others:

1. The relevant academic, scientific or operationally established groupings such as councils, commissions, working groups or initiatives that each organization has established will liaise closely with each other and invite representation and collaboration from each other where it is agreed that it would be appropriate.
2. Each organization will inform the other of its programme of proposed scientific, academic or professional activities such as projects, conferences, seminars, courses, and workshops to enable joint participation when it would be of mutual benefit, and publicize and inform its members of these events as appropriate.
3. Both organizations will identify opportunities to organize specialized projects, seminars, courses, or workshops under joint sponsorship, and may also seek to promote joint publications.
4. This Memorandum does not directly imply any financial commitments for ISPRS or for SELPER International.
5. This Memorandum may be modified or amended by written agreement between ISPRS and SELPER International.
6. This Memorandum shall enter into force upon signature by the authorized representatives of ISPRS and SELPER International and may be terminated by either ISPRS or SELPER International by written notification to the other party six months in advance of the date of termination.

IN WITNESS WITHIN, the parties hereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding on the day 29<sup>th</sup> of October 2016

Handwritten signature of Christian Heipke in black ink.

**CHRISTIAN HEIPKE**  
President  
ISPRS

Handwritten signature of Luz Angela Rocha in black ink.

**LUZ ANGELA ROCHA**  
President  
SELPER International