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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
Publication of the IUGG Melbourne proceedings in the IAG Symposia series

Following the IUGG General Assembly in Melbourne, a volume of peer-reviewed proceedings will be published by Springer in the IAG Symposia series. This time, all submissions and all reviews will be handled electronically through the following Web site: http://iags.edmgr.com/

Deadline for submission is: January 31, 2012

Articles related to an oral or a poster presentation in any of the following symposia in Melbourne can be submitted and the peer-reviewed process will be handled by their respective editors:

JG01: Space Geodesy-based Atmospheric Remote Sensing as a Synergistic Link between Geodesy and Meteorology
Marcelo Santos <msantos@unb.ca>, Jens Wickert <wickert@gfz-potsdam.de>

JG02: Application of Geodetic Techniques in Cryospheric Studies
Reinhard Dietrich <dietrich@igp.geo.tu-dresden.de>, Matt King <M.A.King@newcastle.ac.uk>

JG03: History of Geosciences from Terrestrial to Spaceborne Observations
Jozsef Adam <jadam@sci.fgt.bme.hu>

JG04: Structure and Deformation of Plate Interiors
John Dawson <john.dawson@ga.gov.au>

JG05: Integrated Earth Observing Systems
Markus Rothacher <markus.rothacher@ethz.ch>

JG06: Tectonic Geodesy and Earthquakes
Jeff Freymueller <jeff.freymueller@gi.alaska.edu>

G01: Reference Frames from Regional to Global Scales
Zuheir Altamimi <zuheir.altamimi@ign.fr>, Athanasios Dermanis <dermanis@topo.auth.gr>, Joao Agria Torres <jatorres@iol.pt>

G02: Monitoring and Modelling of Mass Distribution and Mass Displacements by Geodetic Methods
Yoichi Fukuda <fukuda@kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp>, Richard Gross <richard.gross@jpl.nasa.gov>, Frank Lemoine <Frank.G.Lemoine@nasa.gov>, Nico Sneeuw <sneeuw@gis.uni-stuttgart.de>, Herbert Wilmes <herbert.wilmes@bkg.bund.de>

G03: Monitoring and Modelling Earth Rotation
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G04: Multisensor Systems for Engineering Geodesy
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G05: Geodetic Imaging Techniques
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G06: Towards a Unified World Height System
Johannes Ihde <johannes.ihde@bkg.bund.de>, Matt Higgins <matt.higgins@derm.qld.gov.au>, Laura Sanchez <sanchez@dgfi.badw.de>

G07: High Precision GNSS
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Specifications to authors are provided on the submission Web site. In particular:

- LATEX and Word submissions are accepted, as well as several other formats.
- manuscripts do not need to be submitted in the final format for publication.
- general contributions are limited to 6 pages, while invited abstracts in Melbourne are limited to 8 pages (a specific formula to estimate the length of the manuscript is provided on the Web site).

Accepted manuscripts will appear online on the Springer Web site for the IAG Symp. series (http://www.springer.com/series/1345) and will be published in print in a single volume related to the Melbourne presentations.

Authors are encouraged to contact their respective editor before submission and will be regularly informed on the review and publication process.

CHRIS RIZOS (Editor)
PASCAL WILLIS (assistant Editor-in-Chief)

Results of ICAG 2005 have been published

The results of the International Campaign of Absolute Gravimeters 2005 (ICAG 2005) have been published in Metrologia and can be downloaded from http://www.bipm.org/en/metrologia/:


The article containing the results of the relative campaign of absolute gravimeters 2009, supporting ICAG 2009 has been submitted to Metrologia and will most probably be published before the end of 2011.

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Call for Participation for the "Global Geodetic Core Network: Foundation for Monitoring Earth System"

Dear Colleagues:

The Call for Participation for the "Global Geodetic Core Network: Foundation for Monitoring Earth System" is available here.

The Global Geodetic Observing System (GGOS) is soliciting proposals for the Core Network Sites to define and improve the Terrestrial Reference Frame and provide essential data for other space geodesy requirements.

We seek proposals from organizations that would participate in the development, implementation and maintenance of the GGOS Global Geodetic Core Network. We seek proposals from:

1. Organizations that currently operate a space geodetic site and would implement and operate one or more core sites including:
   a. existing sites that already have the four techniques implemented and plan for upgrade to the next generation systems;
   b. existing sites that have one or more techniques operational and are planning for upgrade to the next generation systems and for the implementation of additional techniques;
2. Organizations that would actively participate with the GGOS Bureau for Networks and Communications in the network design and planning activity with analysis, simulations, and site research (geology, weather, logistics, personnel, etc);
3. Organization that would help design and develop the inter-technique vector systems and operational procedures;
4. Organizations that have no operational space geodetic systems, but would implement and operate core sites;

5. Organizations that have space geodetic instruments or are developing space geodetic instruments which they are willing to relocate to a GGOS Global Geodetic Core Site in cooperation with a local organization.

Many of the sites will require cooperative arrangements to fulfill the core network site requirements (site, logistics, communications, full systems, hardware components, etc.). We encourage preformed teams to propose to implement/upgrade and operate these sites.

The implementation of this network will be very challenging. We encourage as many organizations as possible to participate.

Proposals are short and are due by **November 15, 2011**.

If you have any questions, please contact me at mpearlman@cfa.harvard.edu

With best regards,

MIKE PEARLMAN  
Director, GGOS Bureau for Networks and Communications

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**Meeting Announcements**

**IAG Sponsored Meetings**

**Joint International Symposium on Deformation Monitoring**  
*November 2-4, 2011, Hong Kong, China*  
URL: [http://dma.lsgi.polyu.edu.hk](http://dma.lsgi.polyu.edu.hk/)

**IAG Related Meetings**

**ISPRS - PIA11 Photogrammetric Images Analysis**  
*October 5-7, 2011, Munich, Germany*  

**IRI Workshop 2011**  
*October 10-14, 2011, Hermanus, South Africa*  

**5th Coastal Altimetry Workshop**  
*October 16-18, 2011, San Diego, USA*  
URL: [http://www.coastalaltimetry.org/](http://www.coastalaltimetry.org/)

**SX5 - Scientific Service Support Based on Galileo E5 Receivers**  
*October 18, 2011, Neubiberg/Munich, Germany*  
URL: [http://ifen.bauv.unibw.de/sx5/workshop.html](http://ifen.bauv.unibw.de/sx5/workshop.html)

**OSTST Meeting**  
*October 19-21, 2011, San Diego, USA*  
ACM SIGSPATIAL GIS 2011
November 1-4, 2011, Chicago, IL, USA
URL: http://acmgis2011.cs.umn.edu/

Modern Technologies, Education & Professional Practice in Geodesy and Related Fields
November 10-11, 2011, Sofia, Bulgaria
Contact: milev@bas.bg

10th International E-VLBI Workshop
November 13-16, 2011, Broederstroom, South Africa

UGI 2011 Regional Geographic Conference
November 14-18, 2011, Santiago, Chile
URL: http://www.ugi2011.cl/

Growth and competitiveness using satellite applications – practical approaches for non-space SMEs
November 23, 2011, Warsaw, Poland
This conference will inform SMEs from sectors other than space of how using satellite applications helps innovate in business practices and gain a competitive advantage.

AGU Fall Meeting
December 5-9, 2011, San Francisco, USA
URL: http://www.agu.org/meetings/

2nd International School on Least Squares Approach to Modeling the Geoid
February 27- March 2, 2012, Johor Bahru, Malaysia
Theoretical lectures in the mornings are followed by practical computer exercises in the afternoons.
URL: http://www.infra.kth.se/geo/events/IGS-2012.pdf

European Geosciences Union General Assembly 2012
April 22-27, 2012, Vienna, Austria
URL: http://meetings.copernicus.org/egu2012/

10th International Conference on Southern Hemisphere Meteorology and Oceanography
April 23-27, 2012, Noumea, New-Caledonia
URL: http://www.colloque.ird.fr/icshmo-2012

4th International Conference on Cartography and GIS
June 18-22, 2012, Albena Summer Resort, Bulgaria
URL: http://www.cartography-gis.com/4thConference/Index.html

IAG Sister Societies’ Meetings

ESC 2012
August 19-24, 2012, Moscow, Russia
European Seismological Commission 33rd General Assembly
URL: www.esc2012-moscow.org

Joint IAMAS-IACS Assembly
July 8-12, 2013, Davos, Switzerland
Davos Atmosphere and Cryosphere Assembly 2013, Ice & Air – Process Interactions
URL: www.daca-13.org
Joint IAHS-IAPSO-IASPEI Scientific Assembly
July 22-26, 2013, Gothenburg, Sweden
URL: http://www.iaspei.org/meetings/forthcoming.html#iaspei2013

12th IAGA Scientific Assembly
August 26-31, 2013, Mérida, Mexico
URL: www.iaga2013.org.mx