



GeoForAll

Monthly Newsletter



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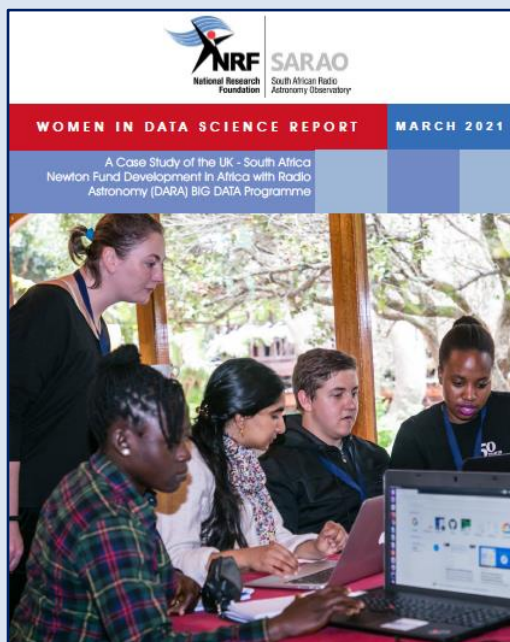
3. Events

- [Africa Women in Data Science](#)

Tuesday 8th to Thursday 10th March 2022.

This free online event aims to build a thriving African community of female data scientists and promote skills development for women who are interested in a career in data science. Start and finish times will be confirmed in due course.

Link to SARAO Women in Data Science report - <https://www.sarao.ac.za/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Women-in-Data-Science-Report-FINAL-min.pdf>



4. Conferences

NORTH AMERICA

April 2022

- 1-3 April: [State of the Map US 2022](#)

Venue: University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, USA

Organizer: OpenStreetMap US

October 2022

2. 14-16 October: [National Council for Geographic Education](#) (NCGE)

Venue: Minneapolis, MN, USA

SOUTH AMERICA

May 2022

3. 19-21 May: [Landscape and Cartography](#)

Venue: Department of Landscaping and Public Space of the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Urbanism of the University of the Republic, Fray Bentos Río Negro Uruguay



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GeoForAll Themes

▪ OpenCity Smart

Theme under revision

▪ Teacher Training & School Education

➤ Chairs: Elżbieta Wołoszyńska-Wiśniewska (Poland), Nikos Lambrinos (Greece)

➤ Mail list: geoforall-teachertraining@lists.osgeo.org

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▪ CitizenScience

➤ Chairs: Peter Mooney (Ireland) and Maria Brovelli (Italy)

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➤ Website: http://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Geocrowdsourcing_CitizenScience_FOSS4G

▪ AgriGIS

➤ Chairs: Didier Leibovici (U.K.) and Nobusuke Iwasaki (Japan)

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Oct 2016, Vol.2, no.10	Sergio Acosta Y Lara, Montevideo Uruguay
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Dec 2016, Vol.2, no.12	Dr. Daria Svidzinska, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine
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Feb 2017, Vol.3, no. 2	Dr. Rafael Moreno Sanchez, Department of Geography and Environmental Sciences, University of Colorado Denver, USA
March 2017, Vol.3 no.3	Dr. Tuong Thuy Vu, School of Environmental and Geographical Sciences, University of Nottingham, Malaysia campus
April 2017, Vol.3 no.4	Michael P. Finn, U.S. Geological Survey
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June 2018, Vol.4, no.6	Martin Landa, Department of Geomatics, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Czech Technical University (CTU) in Prague

Lab of the Month, Content table

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Sep 2015, Vol.1 no.2	FOSS4G Lab, University of Colarado Denver (USA)
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Nov 2015, Vol.1 no.4	The Northeast Institute of Geography and Agroecology of Chinese Academy of Science, China (Asia)
Jan 2016 , Vol.2 no.1	Centre for Geoinformation Science, University of Pretoria, South Africa, (Africa)
Feb 2016, Vol.2 no.2	Open Source Geospatial Lab, University of Newcastle, UK, (Europe)
Mar 2016, Vol.2 no.3	SMART Open Source Geospatial Lab, University of Wollongong, (Australia)
Apr 2016, Vol.2 no.4	Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development, Nairobi, Kenya (Africa)
May 2016, Vol.2 no.5	GeoDa Centre – Arizona State University, (USA)
June 2016, Vol.2 no.6	Direccion Nacional de Topografia – MTOP Montevideo, Uruguay, (South America)
July 2016, Vol.2 no.7	SIGTE – University of Girona, Spain (Europe)
August 2016, Vol.2 no.8	Open Source Geospatial Lab, Department of Geodesy and Surveying, Budapest Univ. of Technology and Economics, Hungary (Europe).
September 2016, Vol.2 no.9	Open Source Geospatial Lab, Faculty of Geodesy, University of Zagreb, Croatia, (Europe)
October 2016, Vol.2 no.10	Hellenic digital earth Centre of Excellence, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, (Europe)
November 2016, Vol.2 no.11	Department of Geoinformatics, Palacký University in Olomouc, Czech Republic
December 2016, Vol.2 no.12	Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand
January 2017, Vol.3 no.1	Spatial Lab, Texas A&M, Corpus Christi, USA
February 2017, Vol.3 no.2	Open Source Geospatial Lab, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Belgrade, Serbia
March 2017, Vol.3 no.3	Geomatics and Earth Observation Laboratory (GEOlab) , Politecnico di Milano, Italy
April 2017, Vol.3 no.4	Faculty of Civil Engineering, Department of Geomatics, Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic
May 2017, Vol.3 no.5	the Laboratory of socio-geographical research of the University of Siena, ITALY
June 2017, Vol.3 no.6	A World Bridge program
July 2017, Vol.3 no.7	Department of Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering of the University of Trento, Italy
August 2017, Vol.3 no.8	Institute of Geography, Faculty of Science, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice, Slovakia
November 2020, Vol.6 no.11	Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (UOC), Spain
January 2021, Vol.7 no.01	gvSIG Uruguay Community, Uruguay



EUROPE

April 2022

4. 11-13 April: [GA Annual Conference and Exhibition 2022](#)

Venue: University of Surrey in Guildford, UK

May 2022

5. 5-7 May: [EUROGEO Annual Conference](#) "Re-Visioning geography for sustainability in the post-CVID era"

Venue: University of the Aegean, University Hill, Mytilene, Lesvos Island, Greece

Organizer: EUROGEO



6. 23-25 May: [16th International Congress of the Greek Geological Society](#)

Venue: University of Patras, Patras, Greece

7. 23-27 May: [Living Planet](#)

Venue: Bonn, Germany (may be online – to be decided)

June 2022

8. 8-9 June: [Jornadas de SIG Libre](#) (Free SIG Days).

Venue: Girona, Spain

Organizer: University of Girona

July 2022

9. 5-8 July: [GISalzburg22](#). Designing future with Geoinformatics

Venue: Salzburg, Austria

10. 12-13 July: [IGU-CGE: Teaching Geography: Past and Future Challenges](#).

Venue: Rennes, France

11. 18-22 July: [IGU Centennial Conference Paris](#).

Venue: Sorbonne, Institut de Géographie, Société de Géographie.

August 2022

12. 22-28 August: [FOSS4G 2022 International Conference](#)

Venue: Firenze (Florence), Italy

5. Webinars

- If you want to start learning how to use QGIS, there are some excellent free resources at <https://www.gislounge.com/free-ways-to-learn-qgis/> and https://www.gislounge.com/self-guided-qgis-courses/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=GISNL-Aug-27-2020&utm_source=YMLP

6. Courses

- Satellite Application Course: LEO Satellite Applications
Start date: March 20, 2022
End date: March 24, 2022
Organizer: VLab
Host: Public Authority for Civil Aviation (PACA)
Language: Arabic, English
Venue: Muscat, Oman
Format: Online course
Contact name: Hilal Al-Hajri
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- Postgraduate course of the Universidad Católica de la Santísima Concepción (Chile) on Geomatics with Free Software gvSIG. The course is free with limited places, and applications are due March 18th. The course begins on March 28 and ends on April 5 and is all virtual.



7. Training programs

- GeoForAll educational materials have been transferred to our new web site. [GeoForAll educational inventory system, a place to search and share educational materials](#)

8. Key Research Publications

- “Community-Engaged Regenerative Mapping in an Age of Displacement and COVID-19” available at <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/24694452.2021.1978838>
- “Displacement of the Scholar? Participatory Action Research under COVID-19” available at <https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fsuf.2022.762065/abstract>

11. Free books, educational materials, etc.

- Visit the YouTube QGIS channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGS162t4hkOA0b35ucf1yng/videos> to get videos of QGIS applications, representations and ideas.
- The official call for papers of the new Special Issue of the International Journal of Geographical Information Science on Deep Learning Approaches in Geographical Information Science and Human Geography is now live. Go to <https://think.taylorandfrancis.com/special-issues/deep-learning-approaches-geographical/> for more information

12. Articles

Acronyms

by **Nikos Lambrinos**, Chief Editor, and **Michael Finn**.

For those who would like to support this effort, please send any acronyms to the Chief Editor (labrinos@eled.auth.gr).

3DEP: 3-D Elevation Program

AAG: Association of American Geographers

AGI: Ambient Geographic Information

AGS: American Geographical Society

AGU: American Geophysical Union

AI: Artificial Intelligence

AM/FM: Automated Mapping/Facilities Management

API: Application Programming Interface

ASPRS: American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

AURIN: Australian Urban Research Infrastructure Network

BBSRC: Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council

BDS: BeiDou Navigation Satellite Demonstration System

BIM: Building Information Modelling

CAADP: Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Programme

CAD: Computer Aided Design

CaGIS: Cartography and Geographic Information Society

CCGI: Collaboratively Contributed Geographic Information

CEGIS: Center of Excellence for Geospatial Information Science

CEOS: Committee on Earth Observation Satellites

CI: CyberInfrastructure

CLGE: The Council of European Geodetic Surveyors



CODATA: Committee on Data for Science and Technology

COGO: Coordinate geometry

CRC: Census Research Centre

CRS: Coordinate Reference System

CSA: Canadian Space Agency

CSSTEAP: Center for Space Science & Technology Education in Asia and the Pacific

CUDA: Compute Unified Device Architecture

DAAC: Distributed Active Archive Center (of NASA)

DEM: Digital Elevation Model

DSM: Digital Surface Models

DWG: Design file format

DXF: Drawing Interchange File

ECMWF: European Center for Medium range Weather Forecasting

EOS: Earth Observation Science

EOSDIS: Earth Observing System and Data Information System

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

EPSG: European Petrol Survey Group (used in projection IDs)

ESA: European Space Agency

ESERO: European Space Education Resource Office

EUROGI: European Umbrella Organisation for Geographic Information

EuroSDR: European Spatial Data Research

FOSS: Free and Open Source Software

FOSS4G: Free and Open Source Software For Geospatial

GCP: Ground Control Point

GDAL: Geospatial Data Abstraction Library

GEO: Group on Earth Observations

GEO: Geosynchronous Earth Orbits

GloFAS: Global Flood Awareness System

GNSS: Global Navigational Satellite System

GODAN: Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition

GPS: Global Positioning System

GPX: GPS Exchange Format

GRACE: Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (satellite program)

GRASPGfs: Geospatial Resource for Agricultural Species and Pests and Pathogens with workflow integrated modeling to support Global Food Security

GSoC: Google Summer of Code

HLPF: High Level Political Forum (of UN)

HOT: Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team

HPC: high-performance computing

ICA: International Cartographic Association

ICSU-WDS: International Council for Science – World Data System

IDE: Spatial Data Infrastructure

INSPIRE: Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe

IPGH: Pan American Institute of Geography and History

ISO: International Organization for Standardization

ISPRS: International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

ISRO: Indian Space Research Organization

JAXA: Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

KML: Keyhole Markup Language

LBS: Location-Based Service

LEO: Low Earth Orbits

LiDAR: Light Detection and Ranging

LOC: Local Organizing Committee

LOD: Level Of Detail

MEO: Medium Earth Orbits

MIL: Media and Information Literacy

MoU: Memorandum of Understanding

MSS: Multispectral Scanner

NAD: North American Datum



NCSA: National Center for Supercomputing Applications

NED: National Elevation Dataset

NEPAD: NEw Partnership for African Development

NGA: National Geospatial Intelligence Agency

NHD: National Hydrologic Dataset

NLCD: National Land Cover Dataset

NOOSA: United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs

NRSA: Indian National Remote Sensing Agency

NSDI: National Spatial Data Infrastructure

NSF: National Science Foundation

OECD: Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development

OER: Open Educational Resources

OGC: Open Geospatial Consortium

OHI: International Hydrographic Office

OSGeo: Open Source Geospatial Foundation

OSM: OpenStreetMap

OTB: Orfeo Tool Box

PPGIS: Public Participation in Geographic Information Systems

PPSR: Public Participation in Scientific Research

RBV: Return Beam Vidicon

RCMRD: Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development

RDA: Research Data Alliance

ROSCOSMOS: Russian Federal Space Agency

ROSHYDROMET: Russian Federal Service for Hydrometeorology and Environmental Monitoring

RUFORUM: Regional Universities Forum for capacity building in agriculture

SaaS: Software as a Service

SAR: Synthetic Aperture Radar

SDG: Sustainable Development Goal

SDI: Spatial Data Infrastructure

SIG: Geographic Information System

SIGTE: The GIS and Remote Sensing Service of the University of Girona, Spain

SPIDER: open SPatial data Infrastructure eEducation nEtwork

SQL: Structured Query Language

STISA 2024: Science Technology Innovation Strategy for Africa

STSM: Short Term Scientific Missions

SWIR: Short Wave Infrared

TIN: Triangulated Irregular Network

UAV: Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

UML: Unified Modeling Language

UN-GGIM: United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management

USGS: U.S. Geological Survey

USGIF: United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation

VGI: Volunteered Geographic Information

VNIR: Visible Near Infrared

XSEDE: Extreme Science and Engineering Discovery Environment

WCS: Web Coverage Service

WFS: Web Feature Service

WGCapD: Working Group on Capacity Building and Data Democracy

WGS: World Geodetic System

WISERD: Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research, Data & Methods

WMO: World Meteorological Organization

WMS: Web Map Service

WMTS: Web Map Tiles Services

WOIS: Water Observation Information System

WPS: Web Processing Service



17. Ideas / Information

1. If you are interested in educational material, then go to <https://www.osgeo.org/initiatives/geo-for-all/in-your-classroom/> where you can find software resources for your classroom. Also, go to “Resources” <https://www.osgeo.org/resources/> to get a guidance on how to use open source projects and tools.

2. From Luca Delucchi (lucadeluge@gmail.com) [FOSS4G 2022](#) will be a hybrid event in the field of geospatial open source; after two years it will be possible to meet again in person. The conference will be held in the beautiful city of Firenze from 22 to 28 August 2022 in the spaces of the Fiera and the University of Florence.

To date, the emergency situation due to COVID-19 has not yet ended and that is why in addition to the physical presence in Florence, which for the time being would be limited to about 700 people, it will be possible to follow the conference also in online mode in order to give everyone the opportunity to participate. The hope of the Local Organising Committee is that with the arrival of the summer, the limitations will be reduced and therefore the conference could be open to all those who are interested in attending.

You can send your proposal for a talk (academic or general) or workshop until 28 February 2022 via the [Pretalx platform](#) provided by OSGeo. Everyone engaged in the FOSS4G world is invited to submit inspiring ideas and share results of innovative projects with the community, following the guidelines and requirements illustrated on the [website](#).

Furthermore, starting in February it will be possible to register for the event both for physical and online participation.

Finally, we would like to remind everyone that a Travel Grant programme and a Volunteer programme will

soon be accessible, which will allow you to attend the conference at a reduced rate.

As usual in FOSS4G conferences, the standard conference programme will be complemented by a range of social activities: in addition to the typical Ice Breaker (on Wednesday) and Gala Dinner (on Thursday), on Friday visits to the beautiful city of Firenze and to the Arcetri astrophysical observatory will be organised for those interested. Finally, after the first day of code sprint on Saturday there will be an aperitif open to everyone.

All information will be shared via the conference social channels (please follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Linkedin](#), [Telegram](#)) and a dedicated mailing list that you can [sign up](#) to if you are not already registered.



3. [Open-Source Science in the Cloud Collaboration](#)

NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA) released a new open source and science tool called the [Multi-Mission Algorithm and Analysis Platform \(MAAP\)](#). Combining NASA and ESA, these two agencies lead the world in providing satellite and remote sensing data for understanding the Earth's environment.

4. Call for article submission

[The International Journal for Participatory Mapping \(IJPM\)](#) Editorial Board (journal@pmappingsociety.org) has identified special themes for the first four issues which will cover the first two years of the publication. Papers can be submitted for peer review anytime before the deadlines outlined in the theme calls. You need to indicate your intent to submit a paper by email to the guest editor of a special issue with the title of the paper, authors, and abstract. The full manuscript,



as a word document, will be uploaded to [IJPM Dashboard](#).



Issue 1 - Unravelling the history, theory, scope, and politics of participatory mapping (submit by June 1st, 2022)

Issue 2 - Methods and Practice of Participatory Mapping (submit by December 1st, 2022)

Issue 3-Indigenous and Rural Community Mapping (submit by April 2023)

Issue 4 - The Impact of Participatory Mapping on Urban Planning and Development (submit by August 2023)

If you're unsure if your topic fits within the scope of the journal, please email journal@pmappingsociety.org.

5. From Sergio Acosta y Lara (sergio.acostaylara@mtop.gub.uy) GeoForAll Iberoamérica Coordinator, Uruguay

"I am pleased to contact you to announce the Call for Applications to the fourth edition of the "Prize Pedro



Vicente Maldonado" for the outstanding PhD dissertation in Cartography, Geodesy, and/or Geographic Information organized by the Pan American Institute of Geography and History

(PAIGH). The call will open 1st May 2022 and will close 31st May 2022. In a few words, PhD level students graduated between 1st-January 2016 and 31th, December 2021 can apply. In addition, they should satisfy one of two conditions: a) be a citizen of any PAIGH member state, irrespective of the granting university or b) have a degree granted by an

accredited university in any PAIGH member state, irrespective of the student's citizenship. The candidates must write a scientific paper summarizing their work, a fact that justifies an early announcement.

The announcement can be downloaded from https://comisiones.ipgh.org/CARTOGRAFIA/PremioTesis_PhD_2022/Poster_Premio_Cartografia_PhD_2022_EN.pdf

Updates will be available soon at https://comisiones.ipgh.org/CARTOGRAFIA/PremioPhD_EN.html

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