

## **Report on the 2014 Geoinformatics Summer Camp & 11th ISPRS Summer School and 5th ISPRS 3S–Summer Students Seminar**

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The 11<sup>th</sup> ISPRS Summer School was held last May 23-27, 2014 at Wuhan University, Hubei, China. Organized by Wuhan University, the State Key Laboratory of Information Engineering in Surveying, Mapping and Remote Sensing (LIESMARS), ISPRS Technical Commission VI, ISPRS Student Consortium, WG VI/4, WG VI/5 and WG VI/6, the Summer School was held in conjunction with the ISPRS Technical Commission VI Mid-Term Symposium with the theme, “Data, Information and Knowledge Sharing for Geo-Education.” This Summer School was integrated with the 2014 Geoinformatics Summer Camp and another ISPRS student-oriented activity – the 5<sup>th</sup> ISPRS 3S – Summer Students Seminar.

A total of 137 participants, 77 from various universities in China and 60 from foreign universities, attended this event. Four (4) courses conducted in parallel were offered in this Summer School, delivered by distinguished experts:

1. Spatial Statistics in Practice – Professor Daniel Griffith (University of Texas, Dallas) and Professor Bin Li (Central Michigan University)
2. Geospatial Service Platform for Education and Research – Professor Huayi Wu, Dr. Peng Yue, Dr. Zhipeng Gui and Dr. Wei Guo (Wuhan University)
3. Mobile Laser Scanning and Mapping – Dr. Harri Kaartinen, Dr. Xinlian Liang and Dr. Antero Kukko (Finnish Geodetic Institute)
4. Open Source Mapmaking Technologies – Dr. Jose Gustavo Rocha (University of Minho) and Dr. Zhijie Zhang (Fudan University).

The lectures were discussed in the morning and practical exercises were carried out at the assigned laboratories in the afternoon. As a final course requirement, the students were assigned into groups and were required to accomplish a short project that was presented on the last day of the Summer School.

The participants were also given an opportunity to visit the History Museum of Wuhan University. The university is considered as one of the most beautiful campuses in China, situated at Luojia Hill and boasts of a very rich history in the progress of education in China. After the visit, the participants were given free time to enjoy some of the university’s sports and recreational facilities.

The graduation ceremony was hosted by Professor Huayi Wu of Wuhan University. Excellent projects from the different courses were again presented by the students. One of the participants, Miss Dhruvi Kothari from Center for Environmental Planning and Technology

(CEPT) University in India shared her insights and experience about the Summer School. Dr. Igor Musikhin also conveyed a short message, inspiring collaboration and continued interaction among the participants of the Summer School.

The Summer School continues to be one of the key activities of the ISPRS Student Consortium. By gathering students from all across the globe, coordinating with different institutions to deliver lectures on the most recent advancements in geospatial information sciences and by providing an opportunity for students and young researchers to share their experience and knowledge, this Summer School is another successful event of the ISPRS Student Consortium.



**Figure 1.** The participants of the *Spatial Statistics in Practice* course with the lecturers, Dr. Daniel Griffiths and Dr. Bin Li.



**Figure 2.** The participants of the Summer School working diligently in the computer laboratory.



**Figure 3.** The participants who presented their project during the graduation ceremony.



**Figure 4.** The lecturers of the 2014 Geolnformatics Summer Camp & 11th ISPRS Summer School and 5th ISPRS 3S–Summer Students Seminar.

