



## MINUTES

FROM THE MEETING OF TECHNICAL COMMISSION PRESIDENTS AND COUNCIL

MARCH 14, 1985 WASHINGTON D.C.

## 1. Opening Remarks

Gottfried Konecny welcomed the attendees from

Comm I : Phil Hartl pres  
          : M Schroeder secr  
" II : Larry Fritz pres  
" III : Einari Kilpelä pres  
" IV : Walter Smith representing Alastair Macdonald  
" V : Vlad Kratky pres  
" VI : Olayinka Adekoya pres  
" VII : Branko Makarovic representing Klas Beek

Intercomm working group I/II: Klaus Szangolies chairman  
" " " III/IV: Roy Welsh "

Council: Giovanna Togliatti

" : John Trinder  
" : George Zarzycki  
" : Shunji Murai  
" : Kennert Torlegård  
" : Fred Doyle, past president

## 2. The Agenda was approved

## 3. Reports from Council

Gottfried reviewed the main problem areas that had been analyzed and discussed by the Council during the previous week.

- Activities of the Technical Commissions (TC) and the Working Group (WG)
- Efficiency of the Congress
- Regional organisation and activities
- Co-operation and relation to Remote Sensing organisations

Then Gottfried reported on the business items treated by Council. The minutes will be distributed to T.C. Presidents.

The Joint Board of Sister Societies (ISPRS, FIG, ICA, ISM, IAG) had convened. The co-operation is regarded to be very important and valueable. One topic under discussion is the formation of a scientific union for surveying and mapping.



The Council of ISPRS had also met representatives of Remote Sensing organisations. It was a general desire to maintain and develop contacts. It was decided to exchange information on organisations, international and regional meetings, etc. The need of a general calender of international meetings was recognized.

Council also had met the Sustaining Members of the Society. The main topic had been the Exhibition at the next Congress.

Finally Gottfried announced the Celebration of the 75th anniversary of ISPRS to take place in Vienna on Tuesday 8th Oct 1985. The event will be hosted by the Austrian Society of Photogrammetry.

Kennert reported the deliberations by Council about the formation of WGs. It is desirable to convene the first meeting of T.C. Presidents and Council already some 3 months after the Congress in order to get the WGs approved and the activities started. As it is now we miss half a year of fruitful work. Kennert stressed the importance of speedier communications between Gottfried and T.C. Presidents, between T.C. Presidents and WG chairmen, between T.C. Presidents and Commission Correspondents of Members, between Council Members etc. He also pointed out that according to the Statutes the Board of a T.C. also comprise Commission Correspondents appointed by the Members, and that the T.C. Presidents should communicate with them on such matters as formation of WGs, Commission activities, preparations of resolutions etc.

Action  
All T.C.  
Presidents

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The colour of Vol 26 will be yellow. Sample sheets are attached. The format will be DIN A4 (210 mm x 297 mm).

The colour of Vol 27 (Kyoto Congress) will be orange-red. Papers for the 1988 Congress will be limited to 6 pages (10 pages for invited papers). Longer papers will get an extra surcharge.

Kennert also reported on J Hothmer's work to vitalize Photogrammetria, and on planned brochures to present ISPRS.



George reported on translation of the Rio resolutions, the formation of the Awards Committee, and the newly established Sam Gamble Award that is sponsored by the Canadian Institute of Surveyors.

Action  
Vlad

John reported that he will establish a Statutes-and ByLaws-Committee and that Council has decided to correct a clerical mistake when the name of Comm V was translated from the official French version into English after the Hamburg Congress. After this correction the name of Comm V is "Other non-cartographic applications of photogrammetry and remote sensing". Vlad Kratky said that he will try to find a better name, and in any case the subject matter will be discussed at the next meeting of T.C. Presidents and Council.

Giovanna summarizes her report to the Council and mentions that ISPRS has financial commitments to the Editor of Photogrammetria, Jürgen Hothmer, for his work to vitalize the journal and to Fred Doyle for the compilation of the book on the History of Photogrammetry.

#### 4. Programmes of Technical Commissions

Action  
Phil

4.1. Phil Hartl presented the Comm I Programme. See enclosure. IGARSS will have a meeting in Zürich Sept 8-12 1986, the week after Comm I Symposium in Stuttgart. A lot of aeroplanes with sensor systems will be in central Europe at that time. Hartl will try to find ESA support for the work of Comm I. Regional activities will be organized. Hartl has contacts with NASA on calibration. He also suggested the possibility that ISPRS appoints an observer to ISO in this respect. After discussion it was concluded that Hartl and Schroeder will revise the Comm I Programme.

4.2. Larry Fritz presented the Comm II programme. See enclosure. In addition Larry indicated that he will organize tutorials and workshops so as to create a common platform for presentations, deliberations and discussions at the Symposium and the Congress.

There will be published a Newsletter on instruments for teaching. At least one issue per year is planned.

Action  
Larry

Larry also announced his intention to change the name of Comm II to something like "Systems for data processing and analysis".

4.21. Klaus Szangolies described the terms of reference for the intercommission WG I/II. See enclosure. The name of the WG was discussed and the following was approved: "Acquisition and use of space photographic data".

Gottfried stressed the importance of this WG and expressed the gratitude of the Society to Prof Szangolies for establishing and chairing the WG, which would be a forum for international



comparative tests with space photography. The possibility to get imagery from INTERCOSMOS (Moscow) was mentioned by Fred Doyle who had attended the UN meeting on Cartography in New York 2 weeks ago, where the Russian delegation had offered this opportunity.

Action  
Larry

The WG will have a session of its own at the Comm II Symposium in Baltimore.

The extension of terms of reference in the direction towards Comm IV, WG 3 was mentioned but no action was decided.

4.3. Einari Kilpelä presented the Comm III programme. See enclosure. The Commission Symposium will be 19-22 Aug 1986, i.e. it begins on Tuesday, not on Monday as announced earlier. WG III/1 will organize workshops and co-operate with a study group of IAG. WG III/2 will have a seminar in 1987. The resolution on "Stochastical Behavior of Image Errors" will most probably lead to a co-operation with OEEPE. The need of tutorials in the fields of WGs III/1 and III/4 was discussed, and Einari promised to suggest to the WG chairmen that such tutorials be arranged.

4.4. Walter Smith representing Alastair Macdonald reviewed the Commission IV programme. See enclosure.

In order to make Comm IV more active than the previous 4 year period Alastair asks for publicity around the Comm IV programme. Everybody can be of help. Dr Tony Allan, Pres of the Remote Sensing Society UK, is affiliated to the Comm Board as an observer. Walter Smith reported that Alastair was very much aware of the fact that his WGs mainly (except WG IV/3) deal with photogrammetry rather than remote sensing, but he hopes to bring remote sensing into a more central position of the Comm IV activities.

Action  
Alastair

Walter Smith also said that WG IV/1 perhaps would not be established as the chairman (Jerie) might resign, and that WG IV/2 was a little uncertain as the chairman (Agarwal) had not yet promised to take on the job. After discussion it was pointed out that WG IV/3 should emphasise on SPOT so as to avoid duplication with the intercommission WG I/II. WG IV/5 should not treat terrestrial photogrammetry. A great interest in WG IV/7 is expected from European countries. Gottfried announced that General Gupta will organize a colloquium or seminar in New Delhi within the auspices of WG IV/2 (Agarwal). WG IV/6 will be converted to an intercommission WG III/IV.

4.41. Roy Welsh gave his first opinions on the intercommission WG III/IV, the establishment of which was proposed by the Council. The WG should work in the field of geocoded databases, remote sensing and photogrammetry. Roy declared that he is strongly receptive to the idea. He will work out a proposal for terms of reference and convey this to Gottfried for reaction. It was mentioned that FIG and ICA have activities in this field and that co-operation with them is highly recommended, if not necessary.

Action  
Roy



4.5. Vlad Kratky reviewed the Programme of Comm IV, which is enclosed. In addition Vlad indicated that WG V/2 might postpone a planned meeting from -85 to -87 and at the same time organize it as regional activities to transfer technology. WG V/3 will probably arrange a workshop 1987. The chairman of WG V/5, Bob Herron, has contacts with at least 5 international organisations, and ISPRS is co-sponsoring 3 international meetings through this WG. On question Vlad made clear that there is no overlap between WGs V/4 and V/6, as the one deals with applications and the other with basic methods.

4.6 OlayinkaAdekoya presented the Comm VI Programme. See enclosure.

Action  
Gottfried  
Action  
Olayinka

The WG on Bibliography (Dr Lindig) will work in close co-operation with corresponding groups of the Sister Societies. Gottfried reported that the International Documentation Centre had been discussed by the Joint Board of Sister Societies the other day. It was noted that ITC once upon the time had promised to establish and run such a centre. Therefore contacts should be made with ITC on this topics and also should there be a co-chairman from ITC. The WGs IV/4, VI/6 and VI/9 could possibly be merged, but it was regarded as an advantage to have them separated in order to spread information and regionalize the activities of Comm VI. After discussion it was decided to change the name of WG VI-7 to "Technology Transfer and Technical Co-operation".

Action  
Branko

4.7 Branko Makarovic represented Klas Beek and reviewed the Programme of Comm VII. See enclosure. In addition Branko reports that the Commission VII is arranging or co-sponsoring Colloquia in Les Arcs 1985 Dec 16-20, in Australia 1987 (WG VII/7), and that there will also be a meeting on the topic "Renewable Resources in Rural Areas". Roy Welsh stays now back as co-chairman of WG VII/4. Shunji Murai proposed Dr Nikio Takaga as co-chairman of WG VII/6. Gottfried reported on the meeting with representatives of Remote Sensing Societies and that a Joint Board had been formed. Branko was asked to arrange that there be time for a meeting with that Board during the Comm VII Symposium in Enschede.

Finally Branko expressed fear that an incorporation of thematic mapping into Comm IV would leave very little for Comm VII to do. Walter Smith referred to his deliberations with Alastair saying that he is anxious to incorporate remote sensing in the work of Comm IV. It was pointed out that according to ByLaws thematic mapping belongs to Comm IV.

## 5. Approval of Working Groups

Council now approved the working groups as in the attached list.



6. The programme at the Kyoto Congress

Shunji presented plans and preparations for the Kyoto Congress. The block programme for the scientific part of the Congress was discussed in detail. Einari pointed out that it is very good to have the Poster Session in the same time slot as General Assembly, Commission Business Meetings, Ad hoc groups etc. Shunji agrees with Vlad and Larry and others that there should be more Technical Sessions rather than Posters. Phil thinks that people will not show up at the Congress until the first Technical Session in the morning. Thus the day should start with a Technical Session. The T.C. Presidents were all in favour of 4 time slots of 90 min each during the day. It was concluded that normal Congress day will thus have the following structure

09:00 - 10:30	Techn. Sessions
11:00 - 12:30	" "
13:30 - 15:00	" "
15:30 - 17:30	Posters, Gen Ass, Business Meetings

On the first day of the Congress July 1, 1988 there will be the opening ceremony 10:00 - 12:00 and a plenary meeting 13:30 - 17:30, Exhibitors' Forum. July 2-4 normal work days. July 5 Technical Tours. July 6-9 normal work days. Sund July 10, 1988 Plenary Session: Technical Advancement and Closing Ceremony. With 3 parallel sessions and 5 papers per session 315 papers can be presented in sessions, and with 70 poster booths 490 posters can be shown. Only original papers will be accepted. Presentations at the Congress may only be done by authors, co-authors or co-laborators of the authors so as to guarantee that the speakers know in detail what they are talking about and that they can contribute to discussions.

7. Miscellaneous

Walter Smith reads letters from Keith Atkinson and John Gates about

- publicity of ISPRS activities and awards
- the running of the technical programme at a Congress

Gottfried relates deliberations and discussions by Council on the same subject matters and related topics. Action will be taken by the President, the Secr Gen, and the Congress Director.

Proposals of new names of Technical Commissions has to be sent to John Trinder 3 months before the next meeting of Council and T.C. Presidents in order to give time for John to consult and/or convene the members of the Statutes and By Laws Committee.

Action  
Larry  
Vlad  
Action  
John

8. Future Meetings

The next meeting of T.C. Presidents and Council will take place in Edinburgh UK, Sept 12-13, 1986 in conjunction of the Comm IV Symposium.



It was also announced meetings in Dresden May-June 1987 (Inter-Comm WG I/II) and in Stockholm April 1988 (Congress programme)

9. Gottfried thanked all participants for their active participation, their constructive viewpoints and the fruitful discussion and then he closed the meeting.

Stockholm in April 1985

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