

I am Ashutosh Kumar, currently a master's first-year student at the University of Tokyo, Japan. I submitted my full paper for the Laser Scanning Workshop in ISPRS Geospatial Week 2019 in January which got accepted for publication in ISPRS Annals. My paper was selected for an oral presentation in ISPRS Geospatial Week held in Enschede, The Netherlands. Attending ISPRS Geospatial Week was an excellent opportunity for me, as it was my very first research paper. However, attending the conference was difficult for me because of the expensive flight fares and conference registration fees. Luckily, I was awarded 1000 USD from ISPRS Foundation Travel Grant, which made it possible for me to attend the conference without any financial problems.

As mentioned earlier, ISPRS Geospatial Week 2019 was my first international conference. During the conference, I got opportunities to know about cutting-edge research going around the world through various workshops organized during the Geospatial Week. People from all over the world presented their latest research. I learned a lot from the questions asked and feedbacks from my presentation. All oral presentations and poster sessions were highly informative. It was good to make several good connections during the conference. ISPRS Student Night was also fun and exciting, where I got to meet several intelligent students from all over the world.

The best thing was that I received the Best Paper Award in Laser Scanning Workshop with a cash prize. I feel incredibly proud because of this achievement. This is an extraordinary accolade I got at Geospatial Week, which has boosted my confidence and encourages me to do more meaningful research and contribution to the scientific community. I am sincerely thankful to the ISPRS Foundation for providing me the travel grant to attend the conference and gain a life-time experience. I will always cherish my time spend in the Netherlands during ISPRS Geospatial Week 2019.



Ashutosh (in the middle) with the Best Paper Award.