

# AutoCarto 2010



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In November 2010, the Cartography and Geographic Information Society (CaGIS) sponsored AutoCarto 2010 in conjunction with the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS). The focus of this joint meeting was Geospatial Data and Geovisualisation: Environment, Security, and Society. The same gathering hosted a number of commission meetings of the International Cartographic Association (ICA) and the International Society for Photogrammetry and [Remote Sensing](#) (ISPRS) Technical Commission IV: Geodatabases and Digital Mapping.

## Leadership Role

This conference attracted 605 attendees from 39 countries and was a resounding international success, to which the ICA contributed significantly. According to Eric Anderson, executive director, CaGIS, "AutoCarto has always attracted international participation, but to have the ICA Executive Committee and a record number of ICA Commissions and Working Groups involved was tremendously encouraging. The co-location of CaGIS, ICA, ASPRS, and ISPRS creates an atmosphere of collaboration across the GeoSciences and demonstrates the ability of CaGIS to provide leadership to this community."

## Spectacular Venue

A total of ten ICA Commissions and Working Groups took advantage of the spectacular venue of Orlando, Florida to host workshops, symposiums and meetings. The Working Group on Census Cartography organised a symposium entitled 'Cartographic Advances in Census Data Collection and Dissemination'. The Commission on Management and Economics of Map Production held a workshop on the 'Management of Geographic Information and Map Production'.

A meeting on 'Advances in Sensors and Algorithms for Topographic and Thematic Mapping' was co-sponsored by the Commission on Mapping from Satellite Imagery and the Commission on Geospatial Analysis and Modelling. The Commission on Maps and the Internet and the Working Group on Open Source Geospatial Technologies organised a meeting about 'Online Maps with APIs and Map Services'. And the Map Projection Commission and the Cartography for Early Warning and Crisis Management Working Group also held meetings.

## EC Business Meeting

As United States ICA sponsor, the U.S. National Committee hosted a business meeting of the ICA Executive Committee during which it was updated on the forthcoming International Cartographic Conference scheduled to take place in Paris from 3rd to 8th July 2011. The committee also continued work on revising the organisation's strategic plan, discussed recent improvements to the ICA website ([www.icaci.org](http://www.icaci.org)), began discussions on the initial plans for Dresden in 2013, and reconnected with friends and colleagues from around the globe.