

# Event for Surveyors and Mapping Professionals

The Survey Summit is a new conference co-hosted by Esri and the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM). It is designed for surveyors who are interested in geospatial technologies to explore the newest technology trends, workflows, equipment, and business opportunities in surveying and related fields. The Summit will also provide unparalleled training and networking opportunities.

The inaugural Survey Summit will take place next summer, 9th to 12th July 2011, concurrently with the Esri International User Conference (Esri UC). It will serve as the ideal forum for anyone interested in geographic information system (GIS) technology, as well as emerging technologies such as Lidar, and 3D scanning, to better equip their organizations to serve emerging markets. The education-rich agenda will also include ways for participants to interact and collaborate at the summit.

"ACSM has served as a voice of land surveyors and mappers for over 70 years," says Brent Jones, Esri's surveying, cadastral, and land records industry manager. "As the surveying and geospatial industries continue to make technological advances together, it makes sense that the professionals of these related fields join together at one premier conference. We're excited to have ACSM as part of the Survey Summit. It's a must-attend event for the surveying community, as it provides access to the pinnacle of technology available to surveyors and mappers."

Summit participants will see how to solve business problems and increase their bottom line using new surveying technologies and practices.

Learn about current technology challenges and developments, such as Lidar, 3D scanning, and building information modelling (BIM), during workshops and demonstrations-all while receiving continuing education units (CEU).

Network with colleagues; geospatial professionals; and other users of surveying, GPS, and GIS technology. Identify new solutions and return to work knowing how to implement them.

The new summit, to be held at the San Diego Convention Centre in California, will replace the Esri Survey & Engineering GIS Summit. Abstract submissions for user paper presentations will open this month and online registration soon thereafter. The abstract submission deadline is 6th December 2010.

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