

GI_Forum: Final Call for Papers



The organisers of GI_Forum, the symposium and exhibition on innovative research and learning in GIS with a focus on hardware, software, orgware and brainware for the GIS community, have issued a final call for papers. GI_Forum will be hosted by the University of Salzburg, Austria, from 2 to 5 June 2013.

The interdisciplinary GI_Forum attracts an international GIS audience with the goal of promoting interest in translating theory, methods and techniques into a broad range of GI application domains. Young researchers are especially invited to contribute and discuss their research. Together with recognised scientists they will find a vibrant community from academia, business and education ready to embrace new ideas and explore new research directions. GI_Forum runs concurrently with the highly regarded German-language

conference on Applied Geoinformatics ([AGIT](#)). The two symposia share some 1,200 participants, the innovative [AGIT EXPO](#) exhibit and stimulating social events.

GI_Forum communicates innovative research and learning in Geographic Information Science with focus on hardware, software, orgware and brainware for the GIS society, and their inter-relationships. GI_Forum expects researchers from these fields to interact closely and benefit from each other. Keynotes by Sarah Elwood, Josef Strobl, Geoff Zeiss and Francis Harvey support the general topic. Keynote speakers will be available for additional discussion with young researchers.

The organisation welcomes theoretical, technical and empirical work. Topics within the special focus include, but are not limited to:

- Spatial Data Infrastructures
- GIScience & Target Group Specific Design
- Mobility and Safety
- Spatial Information & Society
- Critical GIS / Cartography
- Education for Spatial Citizenship
- Spatial Thinking in Education
- Learning Environments for Secondary Education
- Outreach Initiatives

Special workshop “[Monitoring](#) and Modelling of Global Change”: GI_Forum especially welcomes papers and posters that demonstrate experiences and solutions in dealing with EO-based ecosystem and biodiversity monitoring. The GI_Forum further solicits contributions on emerging topics and research outcomes related to GIS and GI-based education. Geospatial data acquisition, advanced spatial analysis and knowledge extraction, distributed and mobile services, visualisation and visual analytics, dynamic modelling and simulation, learning environments for secondary / postsecondary education, and research into learning outcomes, comprise by no means an exhaustive list of conference topics.

[Submission](#): Types & Deadlines. GI_Forum 2013 gives authors choices about the type of submission they want to make in order to accommodate a variety of interdisciplinary contributions. Submissions must be in English language. The review is double-blind. Consult the formatting guidelines published at the conference website for further details.

ESRI-digital:earth Stipends: A total of 5 conference stipends, sponsored by ESRI & [digital:earth:at](#) are available for outstanding international contributions from MSc./PhD/PostDoc researchers. These stipends are EUR400 each and will typically cover both the conference fees and accommodation during the conference. Stipends are available for full-paper contributions in English only. They are awarded based on the results of an international review process.

1 February 2013	deadline for submission of full papers / extended abstracts
16 March 2013	notification of acceptance
20 April 2013	final paper versions
6 June 2013	late deadline for submission of extended abstracts for poster presentation

