

Intergeo East 2009



Intergeo East 2009 will take place on two continents at the same time. The trade fair and conference for land management, geoinformation, the building industry and the environment will make Istanbul the meeting point for the supranational geo-market in South-East Europe and the Middle East from 27th to 29th January 2009. This will also be the first time that this industry event at the Istanbul Convention & Exhibition Centre (ICEC) will include the neighbouring states of Romania, Greece, Armenia, Georgia, Russia and the Middle East.

Intergeo East will extend over both the European and Asian sides of the Bosphorous. About fourteen million people live in and around Istanbul. Turkey has given top priority to boosting the region and creating standardised structures. It has also been in accession

negotiations with the European Union since 3 October 2005. With annual growth rates averaging 6 percent, Turkey is receiving billions of pounds of investment from foreign companies, including a large amount from Germany.

Combining a trade fair and conference, Intergeo East fulfils three functions. First, Intergeo East promotes a regular exchange of information between the regions on the structural development of land management based on standardised criteria. Secondly, the event ensures a comprehensive overview of the latest technologies and developments in the areas of data capture and geoinformation systems. And thirdly, this international communication platform promotes know-how transfer and is a marketplace for innovations.

The congress trade fair will also be assured of a universal dimension in 2009 through the integration of the ISPRS (International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing), which will expand the congress programme with cross-national subject areas. The event will therefore be a central international meeting point for specialists, thus promoting and aiding vital global discussions.

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