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Each *IAG Newsletter* includes several of the following topics:

- I. news from the Bureau Members
- II. general information
- III. reports of IAG symposia
- IV. reports by commissions, special commissions or study groups
- V. symposia announcements
- VI. book reviews
- VII. fast bibliography

General Announcements

Journal of Geodesy has increased its impact factor in 2017 to 4.63

It is great to see that the Journal of Geodesy (JoG) has increased its impact factor in 2017 to 4.63.

(<https://www.springer.com/gp/impact-factor-2017/if-earth-sciences-geography?sap-outbound-id=B783493A0439BC9A5E4A739B624923F0ACAADB92>)

It is now ranked second out of 98 journals published by Springer in the field of Earth Sciences & Geography.

HARALD SCHUH
IAG President

Roadmap of Search Committee for next SG of IAG

The IAG will shortly be calling for nominations for the position of Secretary General because the present term ends after three periods according to the IAG Bylaws.

The position of Secretary General (SG) is a vital one for our Association. The roles and tasks of the SG are set out in several of the IAG's Statutes and Bylaws. In summary the SG: (a) acts as secretary of the Council, the Bureau, and the Executive Committee and manages the meetings of these bodies; (b) organises the General Assembly and Scientific Assembly; (c) manages the finances of the IAG; (d) is responsible for maintaining all documentation pertaining to the operations of the IAG and preparing reports; and (e) asked to perform such duties as may be assigned by the Bureau.

Candidates for the position of SG should be respected scientists with a broad knowledge of the various fields of Geodesy, and preferably have service experience in the IAG, and/or other international scientific organisations. They must have demonstrated skills as managers, leaders and coordinators. Candidates need to provide a written commitment by their organisation to fully support them for a minimum of one (but preferably at least two) four-year terms.

Nominations for the position of Secretary General may be made by any Council member until 30 November 2018. The Executive Committee will be interviewing potential candidates at its next meeting in December 2018 (during the meeting of the AGU in Washington D.C.).

On behalf of the Nominating Committee

CHRIS RIZOS
Chairman

Meeting Announcements

Meetings Calendar

IAG Sponsored Meetings

8th UN-GGIM Session

August 1-3, 2018, New York, USA

URL: <http://ggim.un.org/meetings/GGIM-committee/8th-Session/>

IAU XXXth General Assembly

August 20-31, 2018, Vienna, Austria

URL: <http://astronomy2018.univie.ac.at/>

19th General Assembly of WEGENER

September 10-13, 2018, Grenoble, France

URL: <https://wegener2018.sciencesconf.org>

GGHS2018

September 17-21, 2018, Copenhagen, Denmark

“Gravity, Geoid and Height Systems 2” Symposium, 2nd joint meeting of the International Gravity Field Service and Commission 2 of the IAG

URL: <http://www.space.dtu.dk/gghs2018>

International DORIS Service (IDS) Workshop

September 24-29, 2018, Ponta Delgada, Azores

URL: <https://iag.dgfi.tum.de/en/meetings-calendar/>

GGOS Days 2018

October 2-4, 2018, Tsukuba, Japan

URL: <http://176.28.21.212/en/meetings/2018/ggos-days/general/>

SIRGAS Symposium 2018

October 9-12, 2018, Aguascalientes, Mexico

URL: <http://geoweb2.inegi.org.mx/sirgas2018/html/en/index.html>

SIRGAS Workshop on Vertical Reference System

October 15-17, 2018, Aguascalientes, Mexico

URL: <http://geoweb2.inegi.org.mx/sirgas2018/html/en/index.html>

IGS 2018 Workshop

October 29 – November 2, 2018, Wuhan, China

URL: <https://iag.dgfi.tum.de/en/meetings-calendar/>

International Workshop on GNSS Ionosphere (IWGI2018)

November 4-6, 2018, Shanghai, China

URL: <http://202.127.29.4/geodesy/iwgi2018/>

21st International Workshop on Laser Ranging

November 5-9, 2018, Canberra, Australia

URL: <http://www.iwlr2018.serc.org.au/>

4th Joint International Symposium on Deformation Monitoring (JISDM)

May 15 – 17, 2019, Athens, Greece

URL: <http://jisdm2019.survey.ntua.gr/>

27th IUGG General Assembly

July 8 – 17, 2019, Montreal, Canada

URL: <http://www.iugg.org/assemblies/>

IGG Related Meetings

IX International Symposium "Metrology of Time and Space"

September 12-14, 2018, Mendeleev, Russia

URL: <http://www.vniifri.ru/index.php/en/news/conferences/741-sym9>

ION GNSS+ 2018

September 24-28, 2018, Miami, Florida, USA

URL: <https://www.ion.org/gnss/>

EVN Symposium and Users' Meeting

October 8-11, 2018, Granada, Spain

URL: <http://evnsymp2018.iaa.es/>

AGU 2018 Fall Meeting

December 10-14, 2018, Washington, D.C., USA

URL: <https://meetings.agu.org/>

EGU General Assembly 2019

April 7-12, 2019, Vienna, Austria

URL: <http://www.egu2019.eu/>

AOGS 16th Annual Meeting

July 28 – August 2, 2019, Singapore, Singapore

URL: http://www.asiaoceania.org/society/public.asp?view=up_coming

Obituary

Marcin Barlik (1944 - 2018)



Marcin Barlik, age 73, passed away suddenly on 22 March 2018. He was a distinguished researcher, specialist in the field of physical geodesy, geodetic gravimetry and geophysical geodesy problems. He was also a dedicated tutor of several generations of Polish geodesists.

Marcin Barlik received the degree of Master of Science in geodesy in 1968 at the Warsaw University of Technology (WUT). In 1969 he started his professional carrier in the Department of Geodesy of WUT, first as a trainee and then as an assistant, assistant professor, associate professor and finally a full professor. He has been also lecturing at the Military University of Technology in Warsaw, from 1972, at the University of Baghdad (1978 – 1979), and at the l'Institut Cartographique Nationale in Algiers (in 1984).

Marcin Barlik received a PhD in 1976 and DSc (habilitation) in 1983, both at WUT. In 1995 he was awarded an academic title of professor of technical sciences. He completed scientific internships at the Moscow Institute of Engineers of Geodesy, Photogrammetry and Cartography (1984); Royal University of Technology (Stockholm, 1985); Technical University of Dresden (1986); Czech Technical University in Prague (1988). He was an author/co-author of five academic textbooks, over 120 articles in Polish and a dozen in foreign scientific journals as well as over 100 presentations on scientific symposia and conferences. Since 2012 he served as the editor-in-chief of the scientific journal *Reports on Geodesy and Geoinformatics*.

For about 10 years Marcin Barlik was involved in international scientific activities within the International Association of Geodesy (IAG) programs. From 1991 to 1994 he was a National Representative in the Section III – Determination of Earth's Gravity Field – of the IAG, and in 1995 – 1999 a senior member of the IAG Special Study Group 5.175: Interannual Variations of the Vertical and their Interpretation. He was also active in the Central European Geodynamical Project (CERGOP). During the period 1994 - 1998 he chaired the 7th CERGOP Central European Initiative Project Study Group: Central Europe Gravity Networks.

Majority of scientific activities of Marcin Barlik were focused on national scientific community, where he played a few most distinguished roles. Since 1996 he was a member of the Committee on Geodesy of the Polish Academy of Sciences, and in 2009 – 2015 its Chairman. From 2003 to 2016 he was a member of the Central Commission for Academic Degrees and Titles. In the years 2009 – 2015 he was a member of the Polish National Committee for the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics.

Recognition of the achievements of Marcin Barlik was reflected in awarding him scientific prizes and medals, the most important of which are state awards: Golden Cross of Merit, Medal of the National Education Commission, Knight's Cross of the Medal of Polonia Restituta, and distinctions awarded by 4 Polish universities, including Doctorate Honoris Causa of the University of Agriculture in Krakow.

Professor Marcin Barlik was an outstanding scholar, undisputed authority in the area of geodesy, and at the same time a modest and kind man. He was very much appreciated by both colleagues and students. His death surprised everyone. The day before his death he participated in the discussion concerning the organization of the scientific conference on geodetic control planned for September 2018, and nothing indicated his health problems. Geodetic community involved in research, education and surveying and mapping practice suffered irreparable loss.

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