

Dear All,

We are pleased to report that Geoinformatics 2008, held in Guangzhou during June 28-29, was a great success. The conference was co-organized by Sun Yat-sen University, University of Cincinnati and CPGIS. The theme of the conference is GIS, Built Environment and Geo-Simulation.

Four Academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences attended the conference. The former Minister of the Ministry of Sciences and Technologies of China, Deputy General Secretary of Guangdong Province, President of University Administration of Sun Yat-sen University, President of University of Cincinnati (via Dr. Lin Liu) and President of CPGIS delivered welcome speeches in the opening ceremony.

As the co-chair of the conference, Dr. Lin Liu of University of Cincinnati chaired the opening ceremony.

This year's Geoinformatics conference is the largest ever. We have received more than 900 abstracts, and nearly 600 full papers. The conference program consists of 212 oral presentations and over 300 posters.

Over 800 participants come from 15 countries and regions, including The United States, The United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Australia, South Africa, Turkey, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, etc.

Geoinformatics 2009 will be hosted by George Mason University in mid August, 2009. Hope to see you again next year.

Best,

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