

2011 CPGIS “Go Home” Project Call for participation

Location: Changsha, China

Date: June 20-23, 2011

Project Background

The “Go Home” Project is one of a series of summer activities sponsored by The International Association for Chinese Professionals in Geographical Information Sciences (CPGIS), a non-profit organization that aims to promote professional development in GIS and related technology by fostering cooperation among its members. This project is specifically designed to encourage academic and professional exchanges between domestic and overseas Chinese GIS professionals through advanced GIS seminars and follow-up discussion held in selected universities and research institutes in China. With the purpose of introducing advanced spatial information technology to academics and professionals in different regions of China, the “Go Home” Project is a continuation of CPGIS’ successful “Go West” Project launched in 2002 in response to the “Western China Development” strategy. The project was renamed “Go Home” in 2007, with a new goal of strengthening the communication of overseas CPGIS scholars with GIS professionals and students in all regions of China.

Project Details

With the support of Changsha University of Science & Technology, the CPGIS “Go Home” project will organize advanced GIS seminars in the summer of 2011 in Changsha. With Changsha as fast-developing region along with Zhuzhou and Xiangtan, the rapid urbanization and economy booming brought enormous pressure on water resources and water quality in this region. Therefore, the theme of this year’s “Go Home” project will be on the *Application of Geospatial Technology in Water-Related Issues*. The topics could include, but not limited to: water resources, water supply, water pollution issue, water quality control, flooding, drought, debris flow, sediment transport, watershed management, river restoration, coastal processes, , hydrologic, geomorphic, chemical and ecological processes in watersheds, and the impacts of human activities on water under the scope of urbanization and global climate change, etc.

The project will select 4-5 established GIS scholars to deliver seminars in their area of specialty to the faculty members and students of the local hosting institutes. A tentative plan is as follows:

Time and Location:

June 20-23 Advanced seminars at Changsha University of Science & Technology

June 24 Fly to Shanghai and attend the Geoinformatics 2011 Conference

Activities: Each selected individual will present one research talk in one of the suggested areas. Follow-up discussions will also be arranged. A roundtable discussion with local professionals

and water-related governmental officials will be also organized.

Expenses: Lodging, meal, airfare from a domestic city in China to Changsha, and from Changsha to Shanghai will be covered by the local hosting institute. During the event, a local city tour and a tour to Shaoshan will be arranged. The cost will be covered by local host as well. Before the event (June 15-19), a tour to Zhangjiajie and Fenghuang will be arranged at the participants' own expenses with the logistic help from local host (tentative plan, pending for change).

Local Organizer:

Dr. Changbo Jiang, Changsha University of Science & Technology

Call for Participation

At this time, CPGIS is soliciting a **one-page abstract** (less than 500 words) along with a latest short **C.V.** from outstanding individuals who are interested in participating in this project. The abstract should provide a succinct description of the presentation to be delivered. Individuals with expertise in the water-related areas are particularly preferred.

Please send your proposals and C.V. before **May 10, 2011** to Shixiong Hu at shu@po-box.esu.edu. Selected individuals will be notified via email.

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