

CGI Council Telecon

22. April 2014, 13:00 – 14:30 MEZ

Notes

Participants: Oliver Raymond (OR), Francois Robida (FR), Kristine Asch (KA, notes), Robert Tomas (RT), David Percy (PPercy), Mike Frame (MF), Kazu Miyazaki (KM), Gabriel Asato (GA), Zhang Minghua (ZM), Santiago Munoz Tapia (SMT), Kombada Mjopeni (KM), Peter Baumann (PB)

Agenda:

1. Welcome and introduction of new councilors – FR

FR welcomes and introduces the new CGI Council members Zhang Minghua from China, Kombada Mjopeni from Namibia and Santiago Munoz Tapia from the Dominican Republic.

2. Update on communication / outreach (website, conferences) – OR, all

OR reports (and shows on line) the progress Gemma Nash and he made with setting up the new CGI web site.

OR asks for Newsletter contributions for the 2nd CGI Newsletter issue. Action on all to send contributions. ZM and KA commit to send texts/pictures about GIRAF and upcoming events.

RT remarks on the unfortunate logo of the bygone Interoperability working group. (Action on OR to remove logo.)

All outdated papers and events will be collected and zipped and sent to Kristine (Action OR, GN) and stored within the google drive (Note: old files are already stored on the council's Google Drive).

Additional point: *Upcoming events: CGI Hackatons at the FOSS4G Bremen and US*

PB (Bremen) and Percy (US) will organize it – the question is which prizes to offer (a “case” of wine ;-), 1000 USD, . It was discussed which data sets and files should be used for the hackathon and within which specifications the hackers should program their code.

Action on Percy to collect from councilors a list of data sets (eg, web service urls) and vocabularies (CGI vocabulary, OneG web site, Open source data, example applications, eg a mobile app ...

Action on Percy to set up a draft specification/requirements for both hackathons.

FR asks everybody which events could be used for an additional CGI hackathon.

An upcoming event is the GIRAF session at the 25th African Colloquium in Dar es Salaam in August 2015. In this context KM suggests to perhaps organize a Hackathon at the CAG25 or at the GIRAF 2015 workshop next year.

Action KM to ask YES and GIRAF communities for experience in organizing a Hackathon

3. Proposal for a joint workshop/symposium with IUGG, ICSU (Codata and WDS), RDA at the IUGG GA (Prague 2015) – FR

Briefly discussed as good opportunity to jointly organize a seminar or symposium and fulfill the requirements of the IUGS to the CGI to cooperate more with other Union bodies. Action on KA and FR to communicate with Peter Fox

4. Update on funding of CGI – RT / FR

CGI will receive 8000 USD for 2014 which must be asked for by the CGI treasurer from the IUGS treasurer. Also the budget for 2013 is still waiting to be transferred from the IUGS to the CGI. As there are administrative issues with RT's employer, FR is still managing the account and is acting treasurer and thus will further manage the account

Action on Francois: Undertake all necessary steps for IUGS to transfer budget to the CGI

5. Launch of 3D activity within CGI – OR / FR

General Agreement of the CGI Council that the development of standards and procedures for 3 D Modelling and data management is a strategically important topic for the CGI. There is an increasing need for 3-D data (e.g. for Oil and Gas industry) and it is a strategic moment for the CGI to take action.

Action on FR to write a short paragraph about the need for standards for 3-D models for the newsletter and send to OR.

Action on Francois to compile a list of existing 3-D standards and software (projects? I don't think so, ponders KA) and all to provide FR with input.

6. Selection of date / location of next Council meeting – KA

KA sent out a call for meeting locations and volunteers to organize to the council members. Two suggestions (apart from the standing invitations to Hannover and Paris) to organize meetings have been made:

- Vietnam: 8. and 9. December 2014 along the GIS-IDEA conference (Kazu Miyazaki)
- China, Beijing, November or December in line with an GeoInformation Workshop organized from CGS(DRC) (Zhang Minghua)

Action on Kristine: As soon as KA will have received concrete dates from ZM she will set up a Doodle.

Also shortly discussed was next year's Council meeting:

SMT offers to organize a meeting in the Dominican Republic in 2015..Another possibility discussed in Denver was a Council meeting alongside the GIRAF 2015 Workshop in Mozambique. This will be decided later – at the moment it is important to find and confirm a meeting location and date for 2014.

The telecom was concluded at 14.30 MEZ.

Hannover, 30. April 2014,

Kristine Asch
Secretary General

Summary of Actions

No	Action	responsible	by when	status
TC1/1	Send actual newsletter contributions to OR	all	asap	
TC1/2	Send texts/pictures to OR about GIRAF and upcoming events.	ZM, KA	asap	done
TC3/3	Remove logo of IWG from CGI web site	OR	asap	
TC3/4	Send zipped outdated documents to Kristine	OR/GN	asap	done
TC3/5	Move outdated documents to google drive	OR	asap	done
TC3/6	Check if Gemma has access to google drive documents	PB	asap	done
TC3/7	Set up a list of data sets and vocabularies (CGI vocabulary, OneG web site, Open source data, example applications, ...and send to Council to add on	Percy	asap	
TC3/8	Ask YES and GIRAF communities for experience in organizing a Hackathon	KM	asap	
TC3/9	IUGG General Assembly, Prague, 2015: communicate with Peter Fox about a collaborative event with CGI there	KA, FR	asap	Started 29.April by KA and FR
TC3/10	Undertake all necessary steps for IUGS budget 2013 and 2014 transfer to the CGI	FR	asap	
TC3/11	Compose a short paragraph about the need of 3-D models and standards for the newsletter and send to OR.	FR	By mid May	
TC3/12	Compile a list of existing 3-D standards and software	FR		
TC3/13	Provide FR with input to list of 3-D standards and software and initiatives)	All		
TC3/14	Meeting location: As soon as KA will have received concrete dates from ZM she will set up a Doodle	KA	Beginning of May 2014	
TC3/15	Send a feasible date for a meeting to KA	ZM		