

THE EFGS 2014 KRAKOW CONFERENCE 22-24 OCTOBER 2014: FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

Dear Colleagues,

The European Forum for Geography and Statistics (EFGS), formerly known as a European Forum for Geostatistics, is very happy to invite you to its 7th **Conference** on the integration of geography and statistics, which is to be held on **22-24 October 2014** at Holiday Inn City Centre Hotel **in Krakow**, Poland. This year's conference is hosted by the Central Statistical Office of Poland (GUS) and funded by Eurostat.



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The EFGS is a voluntary network of experts from the National Statistical Institutes (NSIs) in Europe involved in the development of the best practices for the production of spatial information in Europe. Since its foundation the EFGS has been dedicated to the enhancement of the spatial dimension of the European Statistical System (ESS) and its integration with other geographies by means of e.g. "Geostat" projects, organized jointly with Eurostat, yearly conferences-, website and other initiatives.

The motto of this year's conference is ***"Together now for a better future"***. The need for timely delivered geographical information of a good quality is essential for the development of current spatial analysis to serve government needs on all levels of public authority, from local to

global. Our goal is to create a living professional community dedicated to development and harmonization of NSI based system of geo-statistical information and its integration with NMA geo-spatial information through the UN GGIM process. We are looking for good case studies from both sides to inspire and encourage a closer cooperation within National Statistics Agencies and National Mapping Agencies.

We will try to achieve this with three sections:

A: Introduction Section: focused on the identification of intersections for cooperation between NSI and NMA in the field of geostatistics.

B: Mainstream Section: examples of common projects carried out by NSI and NMA, as well as best practices of using statistical data by NMA and geospatial data by NSI.

C: Challenge Section: searching for new ideas and tools for a better integration of geography and statistics - how can we contribute to a better (broader) integration of geography and statistics?

- 1) From a geo-spatial perspective;
- 2) From a geo-statistical perspective.

More information on the EFGS 2014 Conference is available at <http://geo.stat.gov.pl/efgs> or at the EFGS website at <http://www.efgs.info/workshops/efgs-conferences/efgs-2014-krakow-poland> .

We encourage you to register using registration form already available on the conference website.

We look forward to your participation and contributions!

Warszawa and Stockholm, Tuesday, April 1, 2014



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