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THE 38TH EARSEL ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

This year's Symposium was successfully hosted by the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania in Crete (Greece) with 200 participants under the official title: 38th Annual EARSeL Symposium "Earth Observation Supporting Sustainability Research", accompanied by the 3rd joint EARSeL LULC & NASA LCLUC Workshop "Land-Use/Cover Change & the Water-Energy-Food Nexus". The Bureau is very thankful to Dr. Chariton Kalitzidis (MAICh) and his local organising team and to Dr. Ioannis Manakos (SIG Chair LULC) and Dr. Gary Gutman (Chair NASA LCLUC) for the preparation and successful local management of the event.

Parallel to the scientific programme there were also timeslots organised for the Meeting of the Bureau, the annual Meeting of the Council and the annual General Assembly according to the statutes. The main results of these meetings were amendments to the statutes that were approved by the Council and the General Assembly, the approval of new Council members and the bi-annual election of the Bureau members for the period of 2018 to 2020. The details of the General Assembly will be communicated after the summer period through the minutes of the GA by our Secretariat.

PRESENTATION OF THE BUREAU 2018 – 2020

The following representatives of member laboratories have been elected by the Council:

President: **Klaus-Ulrich KOMP**
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Vice-President: **Jean-Christophe SCHYNS**
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According to the statutes and as a result of the Bureau elections our former Bureau member **Prof. Dr. Lena Halounova** from Prague is leaving the Bureau. For more than a decade she has served in many positions in the Council and in different Bureau Offices. During the General Assembly the President expressed his deepest gratitude on behalf of the whole EARSeL community for her very successful and outstanding voluntary services over such a long time. She will continue her services for the remote sensing community in her role as Secretary General of ISPRS and prepare the next big congress 2020 in Nice, France. The Bureau and the General Assembly wish her much success in her future work.

OUTLOOK TO THE UPCOMING EARSEL EVENTS

The scientific exchange between the EARSeL members is living through large events such as the Symposium, but also through smaller workshops of very specific interest. Please visit the websites of the association and the events or register directly via the conference registration system ConfTool.

1st SIG WS UAS (Unmanned Aerial Systems)

5-7 September 2018, Warsaw, Poland, organized by Dr, Anna Zmarz

The rapidly growing use of UAS in different fields of Earth Observation has enlarged at the same time the need for research extension and harmonization of approaches, terminologies and scientific organization. A research group of the University of Warsaw has founded a new Special Interest Group within EARSeL headed by its chairperson Anna Zmarz. The program and the registration are available at <http://uas.earsel.org/workshop/1st-uas-ws/>

5th Joint WS of SIG's URS/Developing Countries/Radar/3D "Urban Remote Sensing – Challenges & Solutions"

24-26 Sep 2018, Bochum, Germany, organized by Carsten Jürgens as local organizer in cooperation with Rudi Goosens, Andrea Nascetti & Mahdi Motagh and Mattia Crespi & Karsten Jacobsen. The program and the registration are available at <http://urs.earsel.org/workshop/2018-urs-ws/home/>

11th SIG WS Imaging Spectroscopy

6-8 February 2019, Brno, Czech Republic, organized by Lucie Homolova. The program and the registration are available at <http://is.earsel.org/workshop/11-IS-Brno2019/>

39th Symposium & 43rd General Assembly "Earth Observation 2.0 – real-time | real-space"

1-4 July 2019, Salzburg, Austria, locally organized by Stefan Lang, Z-GIS. The program and further details will be announced later.

I hope you will find interesting subjects in our programs and I am looking forward to meet many members during these announced events.

Sincerely Yours,

Dr. Klaus-Ulrich KOMP

President