



INTERNATIONAL CARTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION CARTOGRAPHIQUE INTERNATIONALE

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International Cartographic Association

Commission on Maps and Graphics  
for the Blind and Partially Sighted

## ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION

**Chair: Cartographer (MSc.) Alejandra Coll (Chile)**

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**Technical Secretary: Edwin Hunt (Chile)**



<http://visualdisabilities.wix.com/icahome>

# ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION (2011-2015)

- Reconstruction and update of the database listing contacts who work in the area of cartography for blind persons and other special educational needs;
- Exchanging and distributing information about cartographic, bibliographic and graphic production;
- Researchers from universities and institutions involved in visual handicap from Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Perú, from 2014 onwards have been working on the project: "Proposal for standardizing tactile symbology for Latin America: application in cartography for tourism", led by the CECAT-UTEM of Chile and financed by the PAIGH-OAS;
- Supporting the initiative "International Map Year" (IMY) by providing a new chapter to add to the book "The World of Maps". The chapter already drafted is a short text about tactile cartography;
- Proposal for change of name of the Commission for ***"CARTOGRAPHY ACCESSIBLE FOR DISABLED PEOPLE"***