Terms of Reference

1. To produce a program for GIS and the cartographic basis of sustainable development (SD) of territories. Creation of some of its modules.

2. The organization of uniform actions (including performance of projects, holding conferences etc.), on which experts from the different spheres would be involved. In particular to hold a series of conferences that will unite the different experts interested in sustainable development of territories. The press will be involved for promotion of achievements of cartography and GIS.

3. To organize regional workshops and summer-schools on GIS and Cartography for developing SD projects

4. To provide the connections and performance of teamwork, holding conferences, schools with the adjacent organizations - the Commission on Geographical Information Sciences IGU, CODATA, Digital Earth, UNIGIS etc.

5. To continue the work on realization of international conferences InterCarto, which since 1994 were annually carried out in Russia and in the other countries.

6. To encourage and support the involvement of student cartographers in the Commission activities

The work of this ICA Commission is strongly related and devoted to the interdisciplinary methodological and practical tasks that are derived from mayor United Nations Programs:

UN Sustainable Development Program Rio+20, UN Climate Change Framework, UN Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction