

## National Report for the period 2003 - 2007

In the period 2003 – 2007 the Associazione Italiana di Cartografia, in conformity with the statute in force, has been going on promoting the spreading of the geographic information throughout Italy, awakening public opinion with the organization of annual thematic Conferences and workshop.

The themes of the annual Conferences were:

2003: Mountain Cartography, Trento, 28 – 30 April.

2004: Water Cartography, Imola, 5 – 7 May.

2005: Places and Time in Cartography, Trieste, 20 – 22 May.

2006: Cartography for Tourism, Novara, 13 – 14 September.

2007: Cartography and Teaching Method, Verona, 10 – 12 May.

All the Conferences recorded a good crowd. All the accounts were collected in volumes and published in "Bollettino dell'Associazione Italiana di Cartografia", the official magazine of the Association, that is issued every four months, sometimes the three issues had been assembled in one volume.

The activity of the Association has noticeably increased the fellows, individual and collective. The Association has always been very active in the fields of scientific, territorial, environmental and cultural information being a founding member of ASITA, the Federation of the Scientific Associations of Territorial and Environmental Information, that promotes annual Conferences attended by experts in GIS, remote sensing, topography and cartography; experts who could be academicians, technicians, scholars or simple connoisseurs. These Conferences have also a commercial section where private companies can present their products.

The Associazione Italiana di Cartografia is now a well-established national association and belives to be ready to present its candidature to host the next International Cartographic Conference in 2013 or 2015. The Conferences could be held in one of the following cities: Florence, Bologna, or Turin.

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