

Ordinance Survey Ireland (OSi) bid to host the 2017 International Cartographic Conference

Host: *Ordinance Survey Ireland (OSi)*

For 188 years Ordinance Survey Ireland (OSi) has been Ireland's National Mapping Agency. OSi is a progressive, modern, hi-tech organisation that is constantly striving to improve their services to their customers. They achieve this through the implementation of leading edge technology thus ensuring that their mapping is accurate and up-to-date. The proposed theme for the 2017 International Cartographic Conference will be 'The Intelligent Digital Cartographic World'.

Proposed Conference Director: *Colin Bray*

Colin Bray is the Chief Survey Officer and General Manager of Mapping Technology for OSi, and has responsibility for spatial data strategy, remote sensing, geodesy and information technology.

Proposed Conference Local Organising Committee:

Archie Donovan

Archie Donovan is the Geological Survey of Ireland (GSI) Data Manager for INFOMAR since its inception in 2006 and prior to that INSS since 1999.

Kevin Mooney

Kevin Mooney is Senior Lecturer in the Department of Spatial Information Sciences, at The Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT), where he lectures principally in Photogrammetry. Kevin has served as Secretary-General of EuroSDR (European Spatial Data Research), a pan-European research organisation of member states, from October 2003 to October 2008.

Martin Charlton

Martin Charlton has been Senior Research Associate at the National Centre for Geocomputation at the National University of Ireland Maynooth since 2004.

Professor Patrick Duffy

Patrick Duffy is Emeritus Professor attached to the Geography Department in NUI Maynooth and is also Chair of the Geographical Sciences Committee of the Royal Irish Academy

Bruce McCormack

Bruce McCormack is a Planning Inspector with the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government. He is a past President of IRLOGI and is currently the President of EUROGI, the European Umbrella Organisation for Geographic Information.

Proposed City: *Dublin, Ireland*

Easy to get to and around, Dublin has both the state of the art facilities and the expertise to cater for any International conference. The city's mixture of the traditional and the modern will excite and inspire, while the famed Irish hospitality will give your conference that extra dimension. Dublin is an exciting and inspirational city eager to extend a warm welcome to business tourists from across the globe. Scoring high on essential criteria such as accessibility, facilities and service, Dublin delivers in its own inimitable way.

Major international technology firms have their European Headquarters based in Dublin, such as Google, Microsoft, Facebook, Oracle and Apple.

Proposed Accommodation:

According to the 2012 survey by Hotels.com, Dublin is the cheapest capital in Western Europe for hotel rooms. The city centre location of the conference venue ensures a rich choice of accommodation options thereby suiting all preferences, with

- 2 star hotels
- 3 star hotels
- 4 star hotels
- 5 star hotels

*All within easy walking distance.

Proposed Date: 6th - 11th August 2017

Proposed Venue: *The Conference Centre Dublin (CCD)*

The CCD is currently available for this date and has been provisionally held on first option. This venue is located in the heart of Dublin city. A purpose built venue with state-of-the-art audiovisual equipment that has been designed and developed to meet all the requirements of a world-class, international conference venue. With 22 flexible, purpose-built meeting rooms, ranging from the 2,000-seat Auditorium and banqueting hall, The Forum, to a range of smaller halls, meeting rooms and boardrooms, capable of accommodating any type of event, from a meeting for eight, to an international congress for 8,000.

Supportive organisations: The bid is supported by the following organisations:

- Geraldine Ruane, Chief Executive Officer, Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi)
- Shaun Quinn, the Chief Executive of Fáilte Ireland
- Koen Verbruggen, Geological Survey of Ireland
- Annette Farrell, President, IRLOGI (Irish Organisation for Geographic Information)
- Professor Martin Charlton, Deputy Director, National Centre for Geocomputation, National University of Ireland Maynooth
- Professor Patrick Duffy, Chair, The Geographical Science Committee, Royal Irish Academy
- Professor Kevin Mooney, Senior Lecturer, Department of Spatial Information Sciences, Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT)
- Nic Snape, the Managing Director of 1Spatial
- Tony O'Hara, Industry Sales Manager for Bentley
- Jon Paul, Sales Manager, Oracle
- Tom Timms, Director, STAR-APIC
- Paul Synnott, Country Manager for ESRI Ireland
- Jurgen Dold, President Hexagon Geosystems

Organisational Arrangements

Professional Conference Organisers: Conference Partners Ltd.

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standing and success in the industry. Conference Partners lead by example and is a founding member of AIPCO (Association of Irish Professional Conference Organisers).