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1. INTRODUCTION

Dear colleagues

The 2017 Annual Conference, held in the University of Salento, Lecce, Italy, in October, was the main activity of the Commission in the second semester of 2017. The Commission was also active during this semester in the planning and programming of its activities for 2018. The new online communication tools implemented in the first semester, intended to support the work of the Commission - the new website, electronic mailing list and blog - have been regularly updated with new information. In this context, the work on the digital online archive of past activities and publications continued, in an effort to update it with pieces of information still dispersed in paper documents. The list of corresponding members is being updated and enriched with new members. In this process we aim to increase the proportion of younger members and to reach a more balanced membership according to gender and region of the world.

As the following sections of this Newsletter show, the Commission members have been actively engaged in the organization of conferences and will continue so in 2018. It is expected the publication of a selection of the papers presented in the Commission 2017 Annual International Conference. Recent publications by members of the Steering Committee, related to the core subject of the Commission and mostly based on past activities of the Commission, are included in the list below, in



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section 7, updated and consolidated in relation to the list published in the Newsletter 1/2017.

Three main activities have been planned for 2018: a session in the IGU Thematic Conference, in Russia, in June; sessions organised by the Commission in the IGU Regional Conference, in Canada, in August; and the Commission 2018 Annual Conference, in Portugal, in September, which will mark the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Commission in 1988.

The IGU Commission 'Geography of Governance' publishes two Newsletters every year, the first in June and the second in December. Newsletter 1/2017 reported the activities developed during the first semester (January-June) and presented the activity plan for the following months. This second Newsletter presents the consolidated report of all activities developed during 2017 and the updated activity plan for the following annual period.

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2.2 Aims

1. To advance knowledge of the geography of territorial governance, at the urban, local and regional levels, namely the conditions, scale and characteristics of new modes of territorial governance, and its social, cultural, political, economic and environmental consequences.
2. To identify new perspectives and to explore new research methodologies and different geographical approaches in the field of urban, local and regional governance.

3. To provide a platform for the exchange of information, research outcomes, and best practices among its members.
4. To enhance current bilateral and multilateral research cooperation among its members and to support the creation of new research networks in the field of urban, local and regional governance, connecting its members with existing international research programs and organizations, increasing interdisciplinary research collaboration across disciplines.
5. To support and promote the publication and dissemination of scholarly research outcomes of its members, in peer-reviewed international journals and in books.
6. To advance educational activities through workshops focused on urban, local and regional governance issues, contributing to the training of the next generation of scientists in this field.
7. To increase the awareness of urban, local and regional governance issues among citizens, local communities and governments.
8. To develop initiatives focused on specific issues in cooperation with members of other IGU Commissions sharing similar or related interests.

2.3 Themes

The Commission aims to explore, but is not limited to, the following themes:

1. Administrative decentralization and multi-layered governance
2. Local and regional government / governance
3. Urban and metropolitan governance
4. Local and regional government reforms
5. Administrative fragmentation and merger reforms
6. Decentralized cooperation and development
7. Inter-municipal cooperation
8. Cross-border municipal and regional cooperation
9. Governance of spatial planning processes
10. Governance of complex environmental systems
11. Governance in conflict and post-conflict areas
12. Citizen participation in local and regional government
13. Age-, disabled- and gender-responsive approaches in urban, local and regional government policies
14. Administrative systems and local public service delivery
15. Local government finance systems
16. Local Government, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Habitat-III New Urban Agenda
17. Anthropocene: changes and challenges for urban, local and regional governance

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18. The use of ICTs in urban, local and regional governance: e-Government, e-Governance and Citizen e-Participation
19. Transparency, accountability and good governance in local and regional government
20. Big Data and new digital research methods in urban governance

3. ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES

During the period reported in the Newsletter 2/2017 the following activities have been developed:

- 3.1 New online communication tools
- 3.2 Digital Archive
- 3.3 Activity Plan 2018-2020
- 3.4 Membership
- 3.5 Organization of Conferences and other Meetings
- 3.6 Publications

3.1 New online communication tools. During the second semester the new online communication tools implemented in the first semester (a new website; an electronic forum and mailing-list; a blog focused on local governance issues) were continuously updated and/or used.

- The IGU-CCoG Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home>
- Mailing list: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/mailling-list>
- Blog: <http://igugeogov.blogspot.pt/>

3.2 Digital Archive. The Digital Archive has currently five sessions (<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/archive>): Archive - Past Steering Committees (1984-2016); Archive Newsletter (1984-2016); Archive - Past Conferences (1984-2016); Archive Publications (1987-2013); Archive Photogallery (2008-2016). The section focused on the first years of the Commission, including the first four years as an IGU Study Group (1984-1988), has been enriched with data available in the documents deposited over the years in the IGU Central Archive, now located in the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Germany. We continued this archival work during the second semester and there are plans for further work in 2018. The "Introduction" note available in the Commission website in December 2017 (<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/aims>) is reproduced as an Annex at the end of this Newsletter.

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3.3 Activity Plan 2018-2020. The activity plan for the period 2018-2020 includes a variety of initiatives (e.g., the Commission Annual Conferences; the sessions organized by the Commission in the IGU main meetings, as is the case of the IGU Regional Conference in Canada, in August 2018, or the IGU Thematic Conference in Russia, in June 2018; and other meetings or sessions convened and organized by members of the Steering Committee in numerous other International Conferences, as is the case in the 2018 AESOP Conference, in Sweden, publications, and tentatively also joint research activities).

3.4 Membership. The list of corresponding members is being updated and expanded gradually since January 2017. A Directory of corresponding members is being prepared and is expected to be concluded during 2018.

3.5 Organization of Conferences and other Meetings. As reported in the following sections of this Newsletter, members of the Steering Committee have been very active, during both semesters of 2017, in the organization of scientific meetings focused on themes pertaining to the core subject of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance, as well in the planning and implementation of future meetings.

3.6 Publications. As reported in Newsletter 1/2017, members of the Steering Committee published in recent years several books, chapters, articles, book reviews, and conference reports on issues related to the core subject of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance. The consolidated list of recent publication at the end of this Newsletter updates the previous list published in the Newsletter 1/2017.

4. CONFERENCES IN 2017

4.1 IGU-CGoG 2017 Annual Conference "*Local Governance in the New Urban Agenda*", Lecce, Italy, October 19-21 2017

As has been usual, the annual conference of our commission is its most important activity every year. In 2017, the Annual Conference was co-organised by Anna Trono (Department of Cultural Heritage of the University of the Salento. Lecce, Italy, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) and Carlos Nunes Silva (Chair of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal), with the patronage of the University of the Salento, the Municipality of Lecce and Lecce Provincial Administration. The

Conference – held from the 19th to the 21st of October 2017 in the ancient and prestigious setting of the Olivetan Monastery of the University of the Salento in Lecce – hosted about 80 researchers and scholars from 33 countries, all working in the fields of Local and Regional Studies, Geography, Economics, Political Science, Architecture, Planning, Public Administration, History, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities. Of the 100 abstract papers submitted and double-blind reviewed by an international scientific committee (17 members), nearly 3/4 of them were judged to be relevant and appropriate to the conference. 30% of the papers accepted and included in the final programme were authored or co-authored by PhD students. This was clearly an important result for the Conference, whose aim was to explore and discuss the changes, challenges and opportunities confronting Local Governance in the context of the new urban paradigm associated with the HABITAT III New Urban Agenda, a 20-year strategy for sustainable urbanisation adopted in October 2016 in Quito, Ecuador. Eleven themes were proposed for the Conference and discussed. The conference was divided into 15 sections including action-oriented policies for achieving sustainable urban development and rethinking the way people build, manage, and live in cities by means of cooperation with committed partners, relevant stakeholders, and urban actors at all levels of government as well as the private sector. The themes were discussed from various theoretical perspectives, reflecting a wide range of methodological approaches and inter-disciplinary levels across a broad spectrum of innovative research within the field of Local Governance, following quantitative / qualitative approaches, analysing case studies and producing comparative and exploratory studies. The conference was an opportunity for networking and for researchers to meet and discuss future research initiatives.

As well as a guided tour of the city of Lecce and a visit to the Church of Saints Niccolò and Cataldo (next to the Olivetan Monastery), organised by the Italian Environment Fund (FAI – Lecce), conference participants were invited to a gala dinner in the splendid and ancient setting of the Torre del Parco, a cocktail in the cloister of the Olivetan Monastery and a concert by “*La Cantiga de la Serena*” - Songs of joy, of prayer and of love, held in the D’Enghien hall in the Charles V Castle in the city of Lecce. These activities helped to make the Conference enjoyable and interesting from the cultural and social point of view. Lastly the conference participants were taken on a post-conference excursion in the Salento, which included meetings with local stakeholders and visits to the Church of Santa Caterina d’Alessandria in Galatina, the Cathedral and Castle in Otranto, and the Gallone Castle and Branca Ceramics workshop in Tricase. A light and tasty lunch, accompanied by local music and dance, was served at the Masseria Le Stanzie in Supersano.



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It is expected that a selection of conference papers will be published. The conference report, by Carlos Nunes Silva and Anna Trono, is scheduled to be published in the International Journal of E-Planning Research, Vol. 7 (4), 2018.

The full program, the abstracts, the PowerPoint presentations, and a photo gallery of the conference are available online in the conference website:
<https://sites.google.com/site/geogov2017conference/>.

The full list of papers included in the Program and effectively presented is reproduced, as an Annex, at the end of this Newsletter.

4.2 II International Conference "Urban e-Planning", Lisbon, Portugal, April 20-21 2017

As reported in the Newsletter 1/2017, the 2nd International Conference on Urban e-Planning, convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance), was organized by the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research' and by the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, and was held in Lisbon, Portugal, 20-21 April 2017. The Conference was endorsed by the IGU Commission Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG).

The two day conference was organized in 14 sessions and addressed four main research themes: Theme 1 - Governance and Planning of Smart Cities; Theme 2 - Citizen e-Participation and Community engagement; Theme 3 - The inter-relatedness of real and virtual in Urban e-Planning; and Theme 4 - Collaborative Urban e-Planning. It included also a Networking session at the end of the first day. The conference attracted more papers than in 2016, with sixty three papers effectively presented, involving 144 authors from 21 countries, out of around 100 papers abstracts submitted, which have been peer-reviewed by an international scientific committee of 18 scholars, all of them members of the IJEPR Editorial Review Board. The large majority of the papers presented focused a specific case or area in Europe, although a number of other papers dealt also with cases in other countries outside Europe, namely in Canada, USA, Mexico, Brazil, Chad, and Israel. Theme 1 on the Governance and Planning of Smart Cities was dominant in the 2017 conference with almost 60% of the papers dealing with issues related to smart cities planning and governance, an expression of the importance of smart cities related issues. The second largest group of papers presented dealt with themes 2 and 4, focused

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around issues of citizen participation. The opening plenary session, with two papers, dealt with issues of citizen engagement in local policies. The first paper explored the challenges and opportunities of a Geoweb platform within the academy, and the second discussed the need to upgrade public participation. In this plenary session as in the following 13 panels that made up the full conference program, the debate was initiated by three discussants, followed then by an enlarged discussion with other participants in the conference room, which allowed a systematic and fruitful questioning of the research findings presented and of the arguments put forward by the author(s) of each paper.

The conference report, by Carlos Nunes Silva, was published in the International Journal of E-Planning Research, Vol. 7 (3), 2018.

More information on the conference (program, abstracts, PowerPoint, etc.) is available at: <https://sites.google.com/site/uep2017conference/>

4.3 5th Forum on Frontiers of China & Symposium on Social Transformation, Knowledge System and New Borderland Study, Shanghai Open University, China, May 5-7 2017

Jiesheng Na (Center for Historical Geography, Fudan University, China, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) was engaged in the organization of the 5th Forum on Frontiers of China & Symposium on Social Transformation, Knowledge System and New Borderland Study held in the Shanghai Open University, China, on May 5-7 2017. Being essentially a national meeting in China it was an opportunity to further increase awareness about the work of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance in this country.

4.4 NISPAcee Annual Conference, Kazan, Russian Federation, May 18-20 2017

As reported in the Newsletter 1/2017, the NISPAcee Annual Conference took place in Kazan, Russian Federation, 18-20 May 2017. The conference theme was "Innovation Governance in the Public Sector". Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) was a coordinator (together with Michiel de Vries) of the Working Group on Local Governments (www.nispa.org/conference2017). The selected papers will be published online and in the Journal of NISPAcee.

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4.5 11th Slovak-Czech-Polish Seminarium - "Flows, Spaces and Societies in Central Europe" - Trenčianske Teplice, Slovakia, June 14-16, 2017

As reported in the Newsletter 1/2017, members of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG) were engaged in the organization of the 11th Slovak-Czech-Polish Seminarium - "Flows, Spaces and Societies in Central Europe", that took place in Trenčianske Teplice, Slovakia, on June 14-16, 2017, namely Jan Bucek (Department of Human Geography and Demography, Comenius University, Slovakia, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee). Jan Bucek was member of the Conference Scientific Committee and chair of the Plenary Opening Session. With more than 130 participants from Slovakia, Czech Republic and Poland, the conference included papers by corresponding members of the IGU-CGoG, as well as by members of the Steering Committee, namely Jan Bucek and Tomasz Kaczmarek:

- Ján Buček & Mária Frassová (Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia) - *"Councils in City Quarters – Overlooked Opportunity to Strengthen Citizens' Participation and Local Democracy in Slovak cities"*
- Tomasz Kaczmarek (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland) - *"Soft planning for soft spaces. A case study of Poznań metropolitan area"*

The detailed program (PDF, 10 pages) and the Book of Abstracts (PDF, 96 pages) are available from the conference website for free download.

More information on this conference is available at:

<http://www.humannageografia.sk/seminarium2017/>

4.6 7th Nordic Geographers Meeting (NGM), Stockholm, Sweden, June 18–21 2017

As reported in the Newsletter 1/2017, the Nordic Geographers Meeting (NGM) is a biennial international geography conference. The 7th Meeting was in Stockholm, Sweden, June 18–21 2017. The conference theme was "Geographies of inequalities". Peter Schmitt (Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) and Lukas Smas (Nordregio) organised a session at the Nordic Geographers Meeting, Stockholm 18th – 21st June 2017 under the theme: "Is there a Nordic 'planning culture'? Exploring commonalities and differences in times of growing complexity and inequalities".

For more information, see:

- Conference website: <http://www.humangeo.su.se/english/ngm-2017>

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- Download program and abstracts of this session (pdf):

<https://stockholmuniversity.app.box.com/s/ytx50soalqxe5p3zndir66rrvoz7gqeo>

4.7 Conference "Modern Methods and Tools for Public Participation in Urban Planning", Poznań – Obrzycko, Poland, June 22-24, 2017

As reported in the Newsletter 1/2017, the Conference "*Modern Methods and Tools for Public Participation in Urban Planning*" took place in Poznań – Obrzycko (Poland), on June 22-24, 2017. It was organized by the Metropolitan Research Center Adam Mickiewicz University and by the Association for Spatial Planning Space Economy Society Poland. Members of the IGU Commission 'Geography of Governance' (IGU-CGoG) were engaged in the organization of this conference/symposium, namely Tomasz Kaczmarek (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee). The focus of the symposium was on spatially-explicit methods of public participation drawing from developments in P/PGIS, VGI, Geoweb, and Geodesign. The symposium showcased various applications of methods in participatory urban planning featuring state-of-knowledge paper and poster sessions, discussion panels, and tool demos. The symposium offered an opportunity for scholars to critically discuss methodological underpinnings of geographically-explicit participatory methods in urban planning and share their experiences with applications in realistic planning settings. The format of the symposium with fewer papers than at many larger conferences provided an ample time for meaningful discussion and offered an opportunity to foster future research collaborations. The conference had 40 participants including, among others, the following speakers: Prof. Peter Nijkamp, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam; Prof. Marketta Kyttä, Alto University, Finland; Prof. Thomas Blaschke, University of Salzburg, Austria; Prof. Michele Campagna, University of Cagliari, Italy; Prof. Muki Haklay, University College London, Great Britain; Prof. Piotr Jankowski, San Diego State University, USA & Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland; Prof. Tomasz Kaczmarek, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland; Prof. Ana Clara Mourão Moura, Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil; Prof. Waldemar Ratajczak, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland.

More information on this conference is available at: <http://ppgis2017.pl/>

4.8 II International Conference "African Urban Planning", Lisbon, Portugal, September 7 - 8 2017

The 2nd International Conference on African Urban Planning, convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon,

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Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance), was held on 7-8 September 2017, in Lisbon, Portugal, in the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning - University of Lisbon, in collaboration with the International Planning History Society. The conference was organized in 34 sessions, 2 plenary sessions and 32 parallel panels, with 151 papers effectively presented, of which a significant number are by authors based in Universities in Africa. Two conference reports are scheduled to be published in 2018, one in the journal *Planning Perspectives*, and the other in the journal *Town Planning Review*.

This conference was endorsed by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance and proved to be an excellent occasion to expand the work of the Commission by engaging colleagues based in the African continent, in North Africa as well as in Sub-Saharan Africa, some of which became corresponding members of the Commission. Besides being convened by the Chair of the IGU-CCoG, corresponding members of the Commission took also an active part in the conference. As planned, the conference proved to be a useful forum for the discussion of the state-of-the-art of research on African Urban Planning, namely on urban/local governance in Africa, four years after the first conference in 2013. The Conference joined together researchers and planners from academia, public and private sectors, and non-governmental organizations, in an effort to present and debate their research on African Urban Planning and to share knowledge, viewpoints, methods, research outcomes and policy ideas. The conference focused four main themes, all of them highly relevant for the mission of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance. The four main themes addressed in the conference are:

- Theme 1 - The History of African Urban Planning
- Theme 2 - Learning from African Urban Planning
- Theme 3 - Localizing Goal 11 of the SDGs and The New Urban Agenda
- Theme 4 - Social and economic challenges and changes in African cities

More information on the conference is available at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/cpcup2017conference/home>

5. FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES, 2018-2020

5.1 IGU Commission Geography of Governance - 2018 Annual Conference - "Fifty Years of Local Governance" -, Lisbon, Portugal, 4 - 5 September 2018

The 2018 Annual Conference of the IGU Commission on 'Geography of Governance' (IGU-GoG), organized in collaboration with the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, 4 - 5 September 2018.

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It is convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance). The Conference marks the establishment 30 years ago of the IGU Commission on Geography and Public Administration, after an initial period as a Study Group of the International Geographical Union, from 1984 to 1988. The conference seeks to revisit the main research issues addressed by the Commission since the mid 1980s and to explore the current trends and future challenges confronting local governance in the context of the new global urban agendas, namely the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 SDGs that came officially into force on 1 January 2016, the New Urban Agenda adopted in the Habitat III Conference, in October 2016, and the Paris Agreement or Paris Climate Agreement adopted in December 2015. It is an opportunity for researchers, from different disciplinary backgrounds, to present, discuss and exchange recent research findings on the determinants, processes and outcomes of the changes occurred in the field of local governance in the last three decades and to explore and debate, from different theoretical perspectives and methodological approaches, the current and emerging trends in this field.

The conference is organized in two tracks:

- Track 1 looks 30 years back revisiting the changes, processes and the respective outcomes in the field of local governance in different parts of the world.
- Track 2 looks into the future analyzing current trends in local governance.

Track 1. Thirty years of Local Governance: revisiting institutional changes, processes and outcomes since the 1980s

- Local Government in Europe post 1980: national trends and the Europeanization of urban governance and local policies
- Local government reforms in Central and Eastern Europe since 1990
- Post-colonial Local Government reforms in Africa
- Local governance in America, Asia, and Oceania after 1980

Track 2. Current trends and future challenges in Local Governance

- Local governance in the new global urban development agendas
- Local governance, spatial justice and the Right to the City
- Good governance and autonomy
- Decolonizing local governance
- Local government reforms: decentralization and re-centralization
- Regions and Political Devolution
- The nexus of micro, local, regional and transnational governance
- Meso-level governance

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- The challenges of multi-level governance
- Rescaling of urban governance and the role of neighbourhoods
- Inter-municipal cooperation
- Cross-border municipal cooperation
- Metropolitan government
- Municipal amalgamation reforms
- Informal institutions and hybrid local governance models
- Local government finance system: financing the new urban challenges
- Post-2008 austerity localism
- Alternative models for local government social policies
- Progressive localism and the transformation of urban governance
- Re-municipalization of local public service provision
- Municipal owned corporations and local public services
- Managerialism, entrepreneurialism, public-private partnerships and privatization
- Local economic development
- Strategic and collaborative municipal planning
- The governance of urban cultural heritage
- Climate change and Green governance
- The governance of protected areas and urban green spaces
- Local governance and the new security challenges in urban areas
- Participatory local governance and community engagement
- Citizen participation in local policy making
- Social movements and the New Municipalism
- Local government in the digital era: democracy, participation, accountability
- Smart urban governance: Internet and new ICT tools
- Social media in local governance
- Local governance in the age of Big Data
- Crowdsourcing in urban governance

It is expected that a selection of conference papers will be published. The selected manuscripts will be double-blind peer-reviewed.

All inquiries, expressions of interests, and abstracts should be sent, by e-mail, to: Carlos Nunes Silva, Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal (E-mail: igu.geogov@gmail.com)

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5.2 IGU Thematic Conference "Practical Geography and XXI Century Challenges", Moscow, Russia, June 4-6 2018

The IGU Thematic Conference "Practical Geography and XXI Century Challenges", 4-6 June 2018, Moscow, Russia, organized by the Institute of Geography of Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS), will be held under the auspices of the International Geographical Union and is dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the Institute of Geography of Russian Academy of Sciences, the largest world-renowned geographical research organization in Russia. The conference will be held in the buildings of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow's historical center near the Moskva-river. More information on the Conference is available at: <http://100igras.ru/en/index.php>.

The IGU Commission on Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG) session on "Local Governance for Local Development in the XXI Century: Opportunities and Limitations", will be chaired by Olga Glezer (Leading Scientific Researcher, Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia, and member of the Steering Committee of the IGU-CGoG) and Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance).

The Session aims to explore, compare and draw practical lessons from the institutional changes experienced by local government in different regions of the world, in the Global North as well as in the Global South, with special attention to Russia, in the last quarter century and the challenges currently confronting local governments around the world.

The session aims to address, but is not limited to the following issues:

- (a) Central - local relations: trends, challenges and outcomes
- (b) Local Government: abolition of local tiers and merger reforms
- (c) Inter-Municipal cooperation
- (d) Metropolitan Government and the Governance of City Regions
- (e) Privatization, Public-Private Partnerships and re-municipalisation of local public services
- (f) Austerity and innovation in local governance
- (g) Local e-Government: citizen (e-)participation

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A detailed description of the session and its issues is available at:
<https://yadi.sk/d/dIIQxxZ33PHArI>.

For registration and abstract submission go to <http://100igras.ru/en/registration.php>

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5.3 IGU Regional Conference, Quebec City, Canada, August 6-10 2018

The next regional meeting of the IGU will be held in Quebec City from August 6 to 10 2018. The theme of the 2018 IGU Regional Conference is “Appreciating Difference / Apprécier la difference” (<http://igu2018.ulaval.ca/>).

The IGU Commission Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG) proposed 8 sessions:

- Local government reforms and governance in recent decades: differentiation and harmonization of institutional models and policies
- Government and citizen interaction: formal and informal modes of citizen participation and community engagement in local government policy
- Spatial justice and the Right to the City: local government policies and governance practices sensitive to social and cultural diversity
- The place-based development policy and the role of local government: difference as an advantage in local development
- Planning and governance cultures at the sub-national level – exploring diverging trajectories within and across countries
- Multi-level and transnational governance on the move: unpacking various approaches of governing territorial challenges
- International cooperation networks of local and regional governments: different conditions and common goals
- Secessionist movements in the context of 21st century politics: a local governance perspective

Professor Doris Wastl-Walter, former Chair of the Commission, vice-Rector of the University of Bern, Switzerland, and Honorary member of the current Steering Committee, was selected by the conference organization as a Keynote Luminary Speaker at the 2018 IGU Regional Conference. Professor Doris Wastl-Walter will speak about her research in the field of Governance.

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5.4 XI IGU Seminar on 'Environment And Sustainable Livelihood', Guwahati, East Himalaya, India, February 8-10 2018

The IGU Commission Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG) proposed a session on "Sustainable Development and Local Governance" in the XI IGU Seminar on 'Environment And Sustainable Livelihood', Guwahati, India. The IGU-CGoG session will be included under the conference sub-theme "Sustainable Development: Governance, Policies and Conflicts". Prof. R. B. Singh (Department of Geography, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, India, and Vice-President of the International Geographical Union) will chair our Commission session in XI IGU Seminar on 'Environment And Sustainable Livelihood'. The aim of this session on 'Sustainable Development and Local Governance' is to explore the changes and the new challenges confronting local governance due to the current environmental changes, namely those associated with climate change. It will be an opportunity for discussions on a broad spectrum of innovative research on the relations between environmental changes and local governance. The session aims to address, but is not limited to, the following issues: (a) The role of local government in the definition and implementation of more effective local policies for sustainable local and regional development; (b) Environmental policy transfer across local and regional governments; (c) Global Environmental Policy and Local Governance Practices; (d) Climate change and the challenges for local governance; (e) The local governance of biodiversity; (f) Local governance in mountain regions; (g) The use of ICT in local environmental governance: citizen e-participation, crowdsourcing, volunteered geographic information, landscape virtual 3D modelling. It is expected that a selection of this session papers will be published in an edited volume. It is also being considered the publication of a selection of papers on the topic of 'ICT in Local Environmental Governance' in the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research'. The selected manuscripts will be double-blind peer-reviewed.

Information on deadlines, contact information and other requirements regarding the conference organization are available in the conference website:

<http://iguguwahati2018.org/>

More information is available in the Commission website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/>

5.5 III International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', Lisbon, Portugal, 3-4 April 2018

The III International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and

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chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance) will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, in April 3 - 4 2018. The Conference is endorsed by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance. The program includes themes pertaining to the core subject of the IGU-CGoG. It is expected the participation of several corresponding members of the Commission, as happened in the first two editions.

More information is available in the conference website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/uep2018conference/>

5.6 International Scientific Workshop “Urbanization and Regional Development in Russia and Europe”, Moscow, 19-20 April 2018

The workshop is organized by Peoples’ Friendship University of Russia – RUDN University, Institute of Geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Association of Russian Human Geographers, and Franco-Russian Studies Center (CEFR). Olga Glezer (Leading Scientific Researcher, Institute of Geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) is engaged in the organization of the scientific workshop. For more information visit the workshop site: http://agora.guru.ru/urbanization_Ru-Eu/eng

5.7 26th NISPAcee Annual Conference - "Public Administration for Well-being and Growth" - Iasi, Romania, May 24 -26 2018

The 26th NISPAcee Annual Conference - "Public Administration for Well-being and Growth" - will be held in Iasi, Romania, on May 24 -26 2018. The event is organised in cooperation with the "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi. Ilona Plané Kovacs (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) will convene /organize/coordinate a session focused on themes pertaining to the core subject of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG).

Information about the 26th NISPAcee Annual Conference is available in the conference website: <http://www.nispa.org/conference2018.php?sid=1691&cid=26>

More information on the session convened by Ilona Plané Kovacs will be available in the Commission website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/>

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5.8 AESOP 2018 Congress, Gothenburg, Sweden, July 10-14 2018

Peter Schmitt (Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) is co-chair of the track “Governance” (together with Giancarlo Cotella, Italy and Alois Humer, Finland) at the 2018 AESOP Congress in Gothenburg, Sweden (10-14th of July, 2018). The overall congress theme is “Making Space for Hope”.

More info about the Congress at:

<http://www.chalmers.se/sv/institutioner/ace/kalendarium/Sidor/Making-space-for-hope.aspx>

Peter Schmitt plans to organise a special session with other members of the Commission on a topic closely related to the work of the IGU-CCoG.

For more information about this planned session with members of the Commission, contact directly Peter Schmitt or the Commission (email: igu.geogov@gmail.com).

5.9 World Social Science Forum 2018 - Fukuoka, Japan, September 25-28 2018

Yosuke Maeda (Faculty of Education, Niigata University, Japan, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) proposed a session, on behalf of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance (IGU-CCoG) and in collaboration with the Geography of Public Affairs and Local Governance section of the Association of Japanese Geographers, to the “World Social Science Forum 2018”, that will take place in Fukuoka, Japan, September 25-28, 2018. The Forum is hosted by Kyushu University, supported by Science Council of Japan and by Japan Science and Technology Agency. For more information on the Forum, see the Forum website: <http://www.wssf2018.org/index.html>

The proposed session is focused on theme 6 (‘Development and inclusion in urban and rural area’) and its title is ‘New governances addressing changing issues in rural and urban areas’. The session will consists of 6 papers from different countries. We will receive the result of review of our proposal at the end of December 2017. More information will be provided in the next Newsletter (June 2018) and will be available in the Commission website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/>

5.10 Conference "Historical Geography of Ethnic Groups in China", China, 2018

Jiesheng Na (Center for Historical Geography, Fudan University, China, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) is responsible for the organization of the

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Conference on "Historical Geography of Ethnic Groups in China", planned for December 2018, in Fudan University, China. The conference will focus on basic concepts, theories and methodologies.

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5.11 Workshop on "The Centralisation turn in Local Governance", Pécs, Hungary, Spring 2019

Ilona Plané Kovacs (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) will convene / organize a Workshop on the theme "The Centralisation turn in Local Governance", in Pécs, Hungary, in the Spring 2019, focused on the local government reforms implemented in the last decades.

More information is available in the Commission website:

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5.12 Conference and Workshop in Africa, South America, and Australia/New Zealand, 2018 - 2019

We aim to organize a conference or workshop in Africa (North Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa), in South America, and in Australia/New Zealand in 2019. More information on this initiative will be provided in the coming Newsletters (2018).

5.13 34th International Geographical Congress, 2020

The IGU Commission on Geography of Governance intends to be present, as has been usual, in all IGU World Congresses. The Commission will discuss in due time the form of its participation in the 34th International Geographical Congress in 2020.

6. OTHER ACTIVITIES BY COMMISSION MEMBERS

6.1 Peter Schmitt (Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) is one of the convenors of the PhD Course "Global Urbanism: Exploring the remaking of cities and regions" at the Stockholm University, Department of Human Geography, in April 2018. More info at:

http://www.keg.lu.se/sites/keg.lu.se/files/nationella_forskarkurser_-_global_urbanism_2018.pdf

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6.2 Peter Schmitt (Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) and Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) are involved in the ESPON COMPASS project (Comparative Analysis of Territorial Governance and Spatial Planning Systems in Europe). More info at: <https://www.espon.eu/planning-systems>

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8. ANNEXES

8.1 ANNEX I

IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, 2016-2020

(In: IGU CGoG website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/aims>)

I. Introduction

The [International Geographical Union \(IGU\)](#) is an international, non-governmental, professional organization devoted to the development of the discipline of Geography. The IGU was formally established in Brussels in 1922. Its instruments are its National Committees (101, in 2016), Commissions (38, in 2016) and Task Forces (3, in 2016).

In 1984, the International Geographical Union established a Study Group under the title 'Geography and Public Administration', which was then used as the preliminary status before a Commission could be launched. It was replaced in 1988 by a Commission on 'Geography and Public Administration'. Since then, the Commission was renamed twice to reflect new issues and perspectives on the relation between territory and public administration. In 2000 became 'Commission on Geography and Public Policy' and in 2008 adopted its current title 'Commission on Geography of Governance'.

An important aspect of the initial period (1984-1988) was participation of Commission members in early debates about restructuring of local and regional government in the central European countries then dominated by the Soviet bloc. Two of the main meetings held in this period dealt with specific aspects of Poland and Hungary, and the wider debates in other Central European countries. Catalan regionalism and separatism also became a very live issue, with the Commission holding a meeting in Barcelona specifically to engage in the debate. A feature of the Commission's activities was collaboration with other organisations, such as the Academy of Sciences in Budapest and in Warsaw, and with the Institute of Catalan Studies in Barcelona. An important partnership was a collaboration with the sister organisation of IGU, the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS). Robert Bennett represented the IGU Group at an IIAS meeting in Berlin in 1984 just prior to the launch of the IGU Commission (Study Group). This founded collaboration with a Study Group of IIAS on L'Amenagement du Territoire (The management of territory), formed mainly of lawyers and administrative scientists, who were also centred on Central European reforms. As well as its own IGU Commission publications, collaboration with the IIAS produced a key publication in 1988: L'Amenagement du Territoire et les Pouvoirs Locaux et Regionaux face aux Mutations Economiques (Regional Planning and Local Government confronted with Economic Change), ed. Gerard Marcou (University of Lille). This was interdisciplinary with members of the IIAS, with 5 of the 11 chapters written by IGU members. In February 1988, at the end of the Commission's first four years, a path-breaking meeting was held in Washington D.C. jointly with the US Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, and taking place in the Indian Treaty Room of the White House.

The Study Group formally became a Commission at the IGU Congress in 1988 in Sydney. A key feature of the period 1988-1992 continue to be restructuring of local and regional governmental in the central European countries. In the build-up to the removal of the Berlin Wall in 1990, and its aftermath, the Commission took an active role in many activities to implement new laws and reforms in countries now freed from limitations on open debate. One of its members, Jerzy Regulski became the minister for Local Government reform in Poland; other members in Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary and Russia became politicians, or were active as advisors and consultants. It was a dramatic period of change throughout central Europe in which the Commission played a small but important role. The Commission meeting in Moscow in September 1991 was uncertain, but did begin just as the siege of the Russian Parliament and Boris Yeltsin came to an end, with the parliament building surrounded by tanks. Collaboration continued with the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS), and new collaborations developed. A major meeting sponsored by the United Nations University (and others) took place in Spain in 1991 that widened the IGU Commission's brief to developing countries, and also focused on the other key themes of the period of decentralisation geographically, and to markets, often focused on



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privatisation. The Commission over this period also diversified through many bilateral collaborations focused on developing expertise in the new regimes of Central Europe. Key exchanges occurred with Amsterdam (through Petr Dostál) and the London School of Economics (through Robert Bennett) to help colleagues in Prague, Bratislava, Budapest, Warsaw and other centres to access library resources and advice to develop new curricula for students, and to re-equip their teaching and library resources.

The third four-year period (1992-1996) of the Commission maintained a close focus on Central European developments, but also now added routine sessions at the major annual conferences of Geographical bodies in many countries, especially the USA. There was also diversification of the Commission's interests into wider concepts of governance taking debates further into understanding how partner bodies operated with formal government administration in different contexts.

Commission members meet now regularly at its annual conference, held in different parts of the world, and during the sessions or panels organized within the program of the major IGU Congresses and Conferences. Field trips to study and discuss local issues has also been held as part of some of its annual conferences.

The Commission has been highly active during its first three decades of existence, holding numerous sessions in all IGU major congresses and conferences, in addition to its own annual thematic conferences. The Commission facilitates the exchange of research outcomes, experiences and perspectives on local and regional governance issues in different contexts around the world. One of the outcomes of this joint work is the publication of several books and edited collections of selected papers in peer-reviewed international journals, namely in 'Environment & Planning C: Government and Policy', 'GeoJournal', Acta Universitatis Carolinae / Geographica, Bulletin de la Société Languedocienne de Géographie, and in the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research'.

The Commission publishes a Newsletter twice a year, which is sent by e-mail to all its members. The Newsletter informs about its past and future activities, and provides information on meetings organized worldwide by national or local groups of geographers focused on local and regional governance issues.

The Commission has its own website, a blog and an electronic mailing-list focused on issues of urban, local and regional governance.

An archive of its past activities (1988-2016) is available in the website.

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8.2 ANNEX II - IGU Commission Geography of Governance 2017 Annual Conference, Lecce, Italy - List of Papers Presented (Full Program)

Full program, Abstracts and PowerPoints: <https://sites.google.com/site/geogov2017conference/>

*** List of Papers Presented ***

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