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Letter of Support

On behalf of the IGU Commission on Geography Education, we are pleased to express our strong support for the Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Geography, to be held at Sorbonne University, Paris, France, from 5 to 8 July 2027.

The chosen theme, Artificial Intelligence and Geography, is both timely and significant. The growing influence of AI on geographical research, education, and practice presents new opportunities and challenges across fields such as climate studies, urban planning, biodiversity, and transport. The conference's interdisciplinary focus—addressing both the transformative potential and the ethical, social, and environmental implications of AI—aligns closely with the aims of the IGU and the values of our Commission.

We particularly welcome the inclusion of sessions such as AI and the Didactic of Geography, which directly resonate with our mission to advance geography education worldwide. Exploring how AI can support geographic learning, knowledge representation, and innovative teaching practices will be of great value to educators and researchers alike.

By bringing together geographers, urban researchers, and social scientists, this conference promises to foster a critical and forward-looking dialogue on how artificial intelligence is reshaping the ways we understand, represent, and teach our world.

The IGU Commission on Geography Education enthusiastically endorses this conference and looks forward to contributing to its success through possible active participation.

Sincerely,

Melbourne, Australia, October 14, 2025



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