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### ACTIVITIES IN 1996

- Co-organiser, **Conference on GIS in Regional Developments** hosted by the Debrecen University of Agricultural Sciences (DATE) in Debrecen, (January)
- Preparation of the first *meeting with the delegation of Geomatics Canada* involving the MoA DLM, Geological Office, National Forestry Office, Hung. Space Office, FÖMI and HUNGIS Foundation, as well as the Hungarian Society for Surveying, Mapping and Remote Sensing. In Budapest. (February)
- Participation, **EUROGI's General Board Meeting** at EC DG XIII (March)
- Active participation at the **2nd JEC-GI** in Barcelona. HUNAGI presentation: "*GI Policy To Support Harmonisation with the EU in Hungary*" in the session chaired by *Prof. Ian Masser* president of the European Science Foundation.
- Organisation of the **2nd HUNAGI Forum** with active participation of *EUROGI, European Science Foundation, Know Edge, Intergraph Central Europe, Geometria, Dutch Cadastre, DBL(USA), SNI, GISIG* and others.
- **Basic support of GIS/LIS'96 Central Europe** by inviting top experts such as *Profs. P.Dale* (President, FIG) and *G.Konecny* (Chairman, EARSeL/Vice President ISPRS), *B.Kok* (Vice-president, EUROGI, President RAVI), *I.Masser* (President, ESF), *T.Bogaerts* (President, UDMS), *Ch.Chenez* (Secretary General, EUROGI), *F.Hegyí* (WG Chairman, ISPRS), *P.Blankenbourg*, (Representative, EC DG I Phare Operation Service), *M.Konecny* (Vice President, ICA), *Nick Land* (Ordnance Survey) *J.Vazquez-Caro* (World Bank) and others.
- Support of the **WELL-GIS Workshop** of the Copernicus project driven by GISIG in Budapest
- Active participation, **2<sup>nd</sup> EC-GIS** hosted by GISIG in Genoa sponsored by EC DG III delivering lectures presented by GISIG members FÖMI (*P.Lévai*), GGKI (*L.Bácsatyai*) and HUNAGI (*R.Waters, G.Remetey-Fülöpp*)
- HUNAGI was invited to the Panel Discussion. Recommendation for EC DGIII/JRC to host the next EC-GIS Workshop in Budapest. (As stated in the official minutes.)
  - *Gábor Remetey-Fülöpp* of DLM MARD and *Péter Winkler* of FÖMI RSC have been elected as President and Secretary of the Commission VII (Resources and Environment Monitoring) of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing for the period 1996-2000 at the XVIIIth ISPRS Congress held in Vienna.
- Invitation to the **Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Meeting** hosted by the German Umbrella Organisation for Geo-Information (DDGI) in Bonn-Königswinter. HUNAGI was selected as one of the 80 invited organisations representing the worldwide GI community (September)
- Active participation, **Cluj-Napoca GIS Workshop** hosted by the Dennis Gabor Foundation chaired by Prof.Selinger(October)
- MERA 92 International Workshop on Soil Degradation Assessment with the application of GIS and remote sensing. Budapest, September, 1996. Topics: Regional crop/land use inventory, Crop yield modeling, Forest ecosystem mapping, Land degradation assessment and related issues.
- ISPRS Commission VII President G.Remetey-Fülöpp presented the GIS/RS based MARS programme of the European Union at the Seminar organised by the Japanese Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing at the Chair of Prof. S.Murai at the Institute of Industrial Sciences, University of Tokyo in September 1996
- Participation, International Conference on Sustainable Land Use DATE, Debrecen (December)
- The Genoa based GISIG has subcontracted HUNAGI in frame of the **EC Copernicus programme** in order to contribute to the achievement of the WELL-GIS project objectives.

**New members.** The *Agricultural Science Faculty of the University of Agricultural Sciences at Debrecen* as well as the *the Mapping Agency of the Hungarian Home Defence Forces* applied for membership in December. The membership has been voted by the **4<sup>th</sup> Plenary Assembly** held on December 17.