Conference website
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Welcome to the website of the 13th International Conference on Location-Based Services. Please stay tuned, more information will be added soon.

■ International Cartographic Conference Washington DC, USA, July, 2-7, 2017

The Call for Organizers: 2021 International Cartographic Conference was released some months ago: <http://icaci.org/icc2021/>. According to the ICA Statutes only our national members are entitled to submit bids. The deadline of bid submission: 31. August 2016. Do not hesitate to contact the ICA Secretary-General if you have questions.

Our major event will be the 28th International Cartographic Conference (ICC) to be held in Washington DC, USA from 2 to 7 July 2017. You are strongly encouraged to participate. Please let all cartographers and GI scientists in your country know about this important event. The conference website (icc2017.org) has full details of the conference.

The Call for Papers is open now, the submission starts from May 2016. Please be aware that the **deadline** for submissions of full papers as well as abstracts for short or paper presentations will be **26 October 2016**. Please make cartographers in your country aware of the excellent opportunities to contribute to this important meeting of modern cartography and GI science.

If there are cartographers in your country who are eligible for ICA **Scholarship**, they should be aware of how to apply. The details are on the main ICA website at <http://icaci.org/scholarship/>. Note that the late October dead-

line for submitting papers also applies to Research Scholarship applications. A major use of the membership fees of ICA is to support young cartographers. With your help, several young cartographers, mainly from less developed countries, will be given this support in the International Cartographic Conferences. The major ongoing activity of the ICA is undertaken through the specialized **Commissions and Working Groups**, whose work is also supported by your subscription. There are links to all the Commissions through the Association's website at www.icaci.org. All cartographers in your country with interest in the work of the Commissions are urged to contact the chairs to participate in their activities. The Association website is a valuable resource, which you are encouraged to look at. It has details of all ICA activities, copies of the regular newsletter, links to the Commissions, and copies of documents related to the ICA. If you wish to contribute material to the website, please contact me or the webmasters. Nominations for ICA Awards can be sent to the Secretary-General and Treasurer, who will pass them for consideration to the ICA Awards Committee. The list of ICA awards is available on the ICA website at <http://icaci.org/awards>. The ICA Executive Committee accepted the idea of organizing **regional cartographic conferences (RCC)**. The rule and guidelines for these events will be established later this year. The first official RCC-s will be organised in 2018; the call for organising such RCC-s will be released at the end of 2016 (the earliest). We inform you that the ICA Executive Committee decided to organize an **Extraordinary General Assembly** during the ICC 2017. The main (and only) topic is the Statutes change. The details of our suggestion will be published in due time.

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■ Kulturhaus am Wattenmeer Café/Museum „Gauß & Co.“ in Langwarden eröffnet

Langwarden, ein kleiner Ort an der Nordseeküste zwischen dem Jadebusen und der Wesermündung, war vor rund 190 Jahren eine der Stationen, die Carl Friedrich Gauß für die Vermessung des Königreiches Hannover und der Welt ausgewählt hatte. Und weil dieses Vermessungsnetz mit dem Triangulationspunkt Langwarden auf dem früheren 10-DM-Schein auftauchte, erlangte dieser Ort nationale Aufmerksamkeit.

Ein Bierdeckel fasst Gauß' Wirken u. a. in Langwarden kurz zusammen

Jetzt lebt Gauß (1777 bis 1855), der überragende Wissenschaftler auf den Gebieten der Mathematik, Physik, Astronomie und eben

Gauß trifft Gauß , bei der Eröffnung des Cafés „Gauß & Co.“ (Foto: Michael Remmers)

der Landesvermessung, in Langwarden wieder auf: Der Kartograph Michael Remmers und seine Ehefrau Magdalene erwarben das alte Gasthausgebäude, in dem Gauß 1825 für seine Winkelmessungen mehrere Tage verbrachte, restaurierten es und eröffneten am 24. Juni dieses Jahres ein kleines Café und Museum für Kunst, historische Landkarten und deren Werkzeuge mit dem Namen „Gauß & Co.“, ein Kulturhaus am Wattenmeer.

Gauß in Lebensgröße auf einem Foto empfängt den Gast und Besucher, dem neben Kaffee und Kuchen wechselnde Ausstellungen und Veranstaltungen gebo-

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