Invitation and Prize for the Design of the Cover for the 2nd Proceedings and for the Logo

Dear Fisheries GIS Symposium Participants and other Colleagues,

We have three announcements :

(1) Call (and Prize) for the Cover Design of the Proceedings

We are now working to finalize the Proceedings of the SECOND INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON GIS/SPATIAL ANALYSES IN FISHERY AND AQUATIC SCIENCES held at the University of Sussex, U.K., in 2002. The Proceedings will be published in September this year. We will inform all of you when it is ready.

We now invite you to participate in designing the front and back covers for this hard-cover publication. For the first Proceedings, we just pasted some selected good GIS maps from the contributed papers onto the cover of the Proceedings (for your reference, see http://www.esl.co.jp/Sympo/1st/sympo7_2.htm).

For the Second Proceedings we have decided to publish the Proceedings as an edited textbook. This is because several contributors, and a number of readers, suggested that the information and contents in the Proceedings would be extremely valuable as educative materials. Our correspondents pointed out that the contributions would be of benefit to international audiences who wished to update their knowledge of techniques in GIS and spatial analyses as used in various areas of the fisheries and aquatic sciences.

A range of opinions rated the First Proceedings as being of a high standard in terms of international academic publications. We believe that likewise the 42 accepted papers for the Second Proceedings are also of a good quality, deserving publication as textbook materials. The papers are informative and will be useful to a range of users from beginners to professional GIS users, and also to spatial data analysts. All papers in the Second Proceedings are tuned to a fine-scale of academic insight, having been peer reviewed twice by leading experts and reviewed by a professional editorial review panel.

Under such circumstances, we therefore invite you to prepare a design for the front and back covers of this hard-cover publication, a design that will match the objectives of the publication.

For one winner, we will give the prize of US\$ 1,000 and for the two best runners-up US \$ 500 each. Those interested in submitting designs should make them in color and in the Envelop B5 size (width: 176mm x height: 250mm), i.e., one for the front page and another for the back page. Insertion of letters in the design is optional. Send your entries to this e-mail address by July 31, 2004.

(2) Call (Prize) for the LOGO design

At the same time, we are also looking for a good design for the LOGO of the Fishery/Aquatic Sciences GIS Research Group. Since its establishment in 1997 the Group has yet to acquire a Logo, even though we have long been seeking one. We therefore now invite you to design a Logo befitting the objectives of the GIS Research Group. Please review the web site at http://www.esl.co.jp/Sympo/index.htm, which will aid your understanding of the Group's concepts and objectives. This should provide ideas for making an appropriate Logo design, and we now invite you to submit your design.

For one winner, we will give a prize of US\$500 and for the two second best winners US\$250 each. For those interested in submitting a Logo design, please make it preferably in color, and it should be no larger than 10cm x 10cm. We would prefer a Logo that is rounded in shape. Send your entry to this e-mail address also by July 31, 2004.

(3) The 3rd Symposium

Finally, the next (third) GIS Fisheries Symposium will be held in a city (yet to be decided) in South-east Asia in August or September 2005. We plan to send out the first announcement about this 3rd Symposium no later than September of this year.

Good luck and best wishes!

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