

GIS Professionals Pack Eastern European Conferences

Geospatial software and services leader Intergraph recently welcomed record numbers of customers and partners to its user conferences in Eastern Europe to experience the latest in Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) technology. More than 500 GIS professionals from the government, defense and intelligence, public safety, utilities, communications, cartography, transportation and photogrammetry sectors attended Intergraph events to learn about the evolution of SDI and the impact of the Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe (INSPIRE) directive from the European Parliament on the geospatial market.

INSPIRE is designed to standardize spatial information services in the various EU Member States to improve policy-making in areas including the environment, transport, energy and agriculture. Intergraph has been directly involved with the INSPIRE initiative since 2005 and has been a recognized leader in the SDI industry since 1994 when it co-founded the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), an international standards organization for geospatial and location based services.

The traditional Intergraph user meetings were held in Croatia, Romania, Hungary and the Czech and Slovak republics. The inaugural Intergraph South Eastern Europe Partner Summit attracted 50 representatives of existing and new business partners, coming also from additional countries, including Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Israel, Kosovo, Serbia and Slovenia.

In addition to the events in Eastern Europe, Intergraph has also recently held user conferences in Western Europe, the UK, the Americas and in the Asia Pacific region attracting more than 3,000 geospatial and enterprise engineering professionals.

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