

Marathon Data Systems to Host European Conference for ESRI Users

Marathon Data Systems will organise the Twenty-first Annual European Conference for ESRI Users (EUC) in Athens (Greece) from 6 to 8 November 2006. The conference returns to the Greek capital after a 13-year hiatus with the theme Discover the Power of History and GIS. The Hilton Hotel will be the setting for this event, which is expected to attract more than 1,000 participants. The program will consist of an opening day presentation with speeches by Jack Dangermond, president of ESRI, who will share his vision on the status of geographic information system (GIS) technology now and in the future, and David Maguire, ESRI director of products and international, who will discuss the latest features in the 9.2 release of ArcGIS, which include such innovations as advanced support for CAD projects, enhanced cartographic design tools, and sophisticated capabilities for image processing and analysis.

The Honorable Jeremy Harris, former mayor of the City of Honolulu, Hawaii, will deliver the keynote address. Other speakers will make subsequent presentations including professor Roger Tomlinson, the 'father' of GIS, who will conduct a workshop for GIS managers.

The second and third days of the conference will primarily be filled with technical workshops and related sessions combined in several tracks. The tracks will focus on utilities/energy, transportation and logistics, cadastres, national mapping agencies, agriculture, defense, education, physical planning, and e-government. An exhibition with more than 30 business partner booths and a poster session complete this event. Training courses about the latest ESRI products will be provided after the conference. More information about the ESRI User conference and registration.

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