



INTERNATIONAL CARTOGRAPHIC  
ASSOCIATION  
COMMISSION ON  
CARTOGRAPHY AND CHILDREN



## 16<sup>TH</sup> NEW SLETTER (December 2011) CHRISTMAS EDITION

### 1. FIRST STEPS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BARBARA PETCHENIK COMPETITION 2013

In our last newsletter (September 2011) Com. Chair and Vice Chair asked all the members and interested colleagues to send their opinions, remarks, proposals about the competition and in special to send their proposals for the new theme of the competitions in 2013 and 2015. During the last three months we have received some emails containing interesting opinions related to specific aspects of the Competition rules and proposals to be considered during the selection of the new theme. Please, if somebody has any kind of proposal, send it to our emails address before **December 23, 2011**. In January 2012 we will analyze all the proposals and to send the new proposal for changes in the rules and the new theme of the competition as fast as it can be done. We are considering the participation of all the Commission members on the voting to select the new theme for 2013 and 2015. The idea is to organize, announce and finish the voting in January 2012. Beginning 2012 we will send an email with more information.

### 2. ICA COMMISSION CHAIRS MEETING (TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY VIENNA, NOVEMBER 24-25, 2011)

Between November 24 and 25 was organized the first ICA Executive Committee – Commission Chairs meeting of this period at the Technical University of Vienna. The Commission on Cartography and Children was represented by the Commission Chair, Jesús Reyes (Hungary) and Vice President Sukendra Martha (Indonesia), Liaison of our Commission with the Executive Committee. During these two days all the participants had the opportunity to exchange opinions about tasks related to Commissions and to contact personally representatives from other Commissions in interest of developing closer relations during this period. Representatives of ICA Executive Committee had presentations about the Research Agenda, operational issues, publications, ICA website and plans for the period. A printed ICA Directory 2011-2015 was presented and distributed for all the participants in the meeting, containing information about ICA Statutes, Strategic Plan, Research Agenda, Operational Guidelines and a Reference Chapter containing updated data about Members, Commission Chairs, Terms of Reference, etc. This document can be downloaded (in pdf format) by all the interested colleagues from the ICA website (<http://icaci.org/Documents>).



*Images from the ICA Commission Chairs Meeting (Vienna, 24-25 November)*

### **3. 7<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON CARTOGRAPHY FOR CHILDREN AND PUPILS (VITORIA, BRAZIL, 26-28 OCTOBER, 2011)**

Finishing October, the Federal University of Espirito Santo in Vitoria (Brazil) was the venue of the VII National Workshop on Cartography for Children and Pupils, this year organized under the theme “Imagination and Innovation: Challenges for School Cartography”. This is a biannual event and the first one was organized in 1995, as an initiative of the Brazilian Research Group on Geography and School Cartography (member of the National Council of Technological and Scientific Development of Brazil). Brazilian researchers and teachers are one of the largest and most active national communities working on the topic of Geography, School Cartography and Cartography for Children. This 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop counted with the participation of about 200 colleagues, who arrived from the more distant regions of the country, from Roraima to Rio Grande do Sul.

The purpose of this seventh edition of the Workshop was to promote reflection and discussion about the advances in the different lines of research in School Cartography in Brazil and to discuss strategic research plans for coming years. The event also provided exchange of results and experiences between researchers, representatives from Universities, Secondary and Elementary Schools, and the future colleagues represented by Bachelor, Master and PhD students.

ICA Commission on Cartography and Children was represented by Brazilian members and Commission Chair, who had the opportunity to convey the greetings from Commission members and to read the Letter of Salutation sent by Prof. Georg Gartner, President of ICA, during the Opening Ceremony.

The whole second day and the morning of the third day were dedicated to four parallel sessions with presentations and discussions on four main themes according to the tasks of specific Working Groups:

- Regional School Atlases
- Cartography for Pupils
- Technologies of Information and Communication in School Cartography
- Geography, Cartography and Education

Colleagues also participated in practical workshops organized at the end of the sessions, presenting projects developed by BSc, MSc and PhD students from different Brazilian universities. During the event participants had also the opportunity to visit the Exhibition dedicated to the Brazilian Competition on World Maps made by Children and to vote the best entries in each of the three age groups of the competition.

In the last afternoon of the event was organized a Final Debate, with the participation of Prof. Rosângela Doin de Almeida (Chair of Brazilian Research Group on Geography and School Cartography) and Prof. Jose Jesus Reyes Nunez (Chair of ICA Commission on Cartography and Children). The theme of this debate was “Cartography for Children and Pupils in Brazil: Panorama and Perspectives of Innovation”, being presented the activities developed by our Commission during the last years and our plans for the next future, as well as the state of the art of Cartography for Children and Pupils in other countries today, remarking the contributions and challenges of the Brazilian scientific and teaching community on this field.



*Photos taken during the VII National Workshop on Cartography for Children and Pupils (Vitoria, 26-28 October)*

#### **4. INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 9<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL GEOGRAPHY OLYMPIAD (iGeo)**

Following and widening the development of stronger links between our Commission and the IGU Commission on Geographical Education, all the visitors to our website can find and download the Official Letter of Invitation for the 9<sup>th</sup> International Geography Olympiad (iGeo), to be held in Cologne, Germany, from 21 August to 26 August 2012.

Applications to participate in this Olympiad can be sent by 21 January 2012. If you are interested or have questions, please visit the website of the event ([www.geoolympiad.org](http://www.geoolympiad.org)) or contact the organizers: Dr. Dorothea Wiktorin (iGeo 2012 Organising Committee, [d.wiktorin@uni-koeln.de](mailto:d.wiktorin@uni-koeln.de)) or Ms Kathryn Berg (Secretariat, International Geographical Union Olympiad Task Force, [admin@rqsq.org.au](mailto:admin@rqsq.org.au))

#### **5. UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS**

- **4<sup>th</sup> International Conference On Cartography & GIS (18-22 June, 2012, Albena, Bulgaria)**

The event includes the next topics: GIS Technologies and Related Disciplines, Cartography and GIS in Education, Internet Cartography and Digital Atlases, Planetary Cartography, Map Design and Production, Cartographic Visualization, Virtual Geographic Environment. GIS for City Traffic, GPS and Remote Sensing Technologies. During the event will be organized a Seminar on Early Warning and Disaster/Crisis Management too.

**Commission on Cartography and Children** plans to organize a **Commission Meeting** during this conference.

Deadline for Abstract Submission: **10 January, 2012**

Website: <http://www.cartography-gis.com/>

- **7<sup>th</sup> ICA Workshop on Digital Approaches to Cartographic Heritage (19-20 April 2012, Barcelona, Spain)**

Website:

[http://xeeee.web.auth.gr/ICA-Heritage/2011\\_2015/BARCELONA\\_2012/index.htm](http://xeeee.web.auth.gr/ICA-Heritage/2011_2015/BARCELONA_2012/index.htm)

- **Geospatial World Forum (23-27 April, 2012, Amsterdam, The Netherlands)**

Website: <http://www.geospatialworldforum.org/>

- **“Mercator Revisited – Cartography in the Age of Discovery” International Conference (25-28 April, 2012, Sint-Niklaas, Belgium)**

Website: <http://www.mercatorconference2012.be/>

- **2<sup>nd</sup> ICA Regional Symposium on Cartography for Australasia and Oceania / GeoCart '2012 (29-31 August, 2012, Auckland, New Zealand)**

Website: <http://web.env.auckland.ac.nz/public/geocart2012/index.htm>



## 6. NEWS AND IMAGES

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### PRÊMIO INTERNACIONAL DE CARTOGRAFIA




Em agosto de 2011, o Instituto de Educação Cecivista Marquês de Herval, através da Sociedade Brasileira de Cartografia (SBC), participou na Expo Unimes Curitiba/PR do XXV Congresso Brasileiro de Cartografia com o tema: "Cartografia: instrumento para o Desenvolvimento Sustentável", onde foi representada pela aluna Ana Carolina Diniz Sarmanho e professora Janete A Nunes da Silveira, participando de atividades como: exposições – Cartografia para Crianças, Cartografia Turística, Palestras, debates e relatos de experiências – Onde está a escola? Compreensão da Organização Espacial no Ensino Fundamental, Maquete Geográfica da América do Sul: Um "quebra-cabeças", Maquetes Geográficas... Assim compartilharam seus conhecimentos sobre Cartografia. Nesta oportunidade, o Coordenador Nacional, Engenheiro Nei Erling, destacou e premiou o trabalho realizado pela aluna Ana Carolina Sarmanho e professora Janete A Nunes da Silveira, vencedoras do Concurso Internacional de Cartografia/2011 com o desenho cartográfico: O MUNDO NUM CÉLULO. A premiação deu-se por votação realizada pelos participantes do Evento como o melhor desenho que atendeu aos propósitos da chamada: "Vivendo num mundo globalizado". Cabe ressaltar que os 39 brasileiros que participaram do Evento na cidade de Paris, França, no mês de junho de 2011, não puderam votar nos desenhos brasileiros que estavam concorrendo. Participaram 31 países, dentre eles Austrália, Argentina, Canadá, Espanha, França, Rússia, África do Sul, Ucrânia, Suíça, Nova Zelândia, Japão, Indonésia... com um total de 186 desenhos. A grandeza desse projeto de Geografia, cartografia e artes aborda temas relacionados à cartografia geral (planisfério – mapa do mundo), leitura e interpretação usando as ferramentas da alfabetização cartográfica. O trabalho realizado em sala de aula tem o intuito de explorar a sua consciência cartográfica usando a representação criativa do mundo e do seu ambiente, constituindo um processo contínuo e sistemático de ações que requer capacidade de olhar para fora e para a frente, envolvendo capacidade adaptativa, flexibilidade espiritual e habilidade em coexistir com ambiguidades e mudanças rápidas. O projeto Cartografia veio e ficou na história da Instituição e na memória dos alunos acompanhado de emoção, reflexão e certeza de um trabalho com propostas claras e inovadoras.

Upper right photo: Brazilian winner of public vote in the 9<sup>th</sup> Barbara Petchenik Competition (ICC 2011, Paris), Ana Carolina Sarmanho (left) and her teacher Janete A. Nunes receiving the award from Eng. Nei Erling, National Coordinator of the Competition in Brazil, during the XXV National Cartographic Congress in Curitiba, August 2011.

A Editora Contexto, a organizadora, os autores e a Livraria da Vila têm o prazer de convidá-lo(a) para o lançamento do livro

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NOS MUNDOS  
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In May of 2011 in Sao Paulo (Brazil) was officially presented the book entitled "New trends in School Cartography: Curriculum, language and technology" in Portuguese language, edited by Prof. Rosangela Doin de Almeida and published by the Contexto Editorial House.

## **7. POSSIBLE DATE FOR OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER:**

March 2012



***BEFORE FINISHING THIS NEWSLETTER,  
THE COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR  
WISH A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
A HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR  
FOR ALL OUR COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS!!!***

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