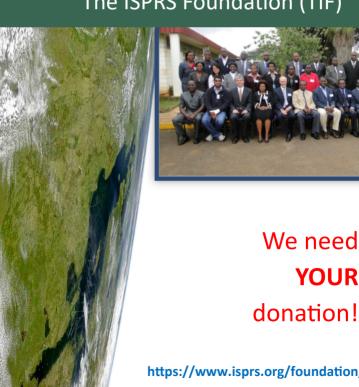




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## The ISPRS Foundation (TIF)



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### What is the ISPRS Foundation (TIF)?

The ISPRS Foundation (TIF) is an independently registered philanthropic entity that has been established SOLELY for providing financial assistance to advance the benevolent purposes of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS), an international, non-profit, non-governmental organization (NGO) composed of more than 180 societies and organizations from more than 120 countries. As a UN approved NGO, ISPRS represents the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences and is the voice of the profession in the international arena. TIF is established as a non-stock, not-for-profit, scientific and educational foundation {US Code 501(c)(3)}.

TIF provides tangible support for the philanthropic objectives of ISPRS, which is devoted to the development of international cooperation for the advancement of knowledge, research, development, education and training in the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spa al information sciences. This support will contribute to the well-being of humanity and the sustainability of the environment. To fulfil its aims, TIF raises, invests and grants funds to provide assistance to qualified individuals and organizations around the world.

#### **TIF Trustees**

TIF Trustees are appointed by the ISPRS Council and ratified by the ISPRS General Assembly. The Board of Trustees consists of 11 members who are eminent in the profession and reflect the international character and diversity of the Society and its membership. Only two of the Trustees may be members of ISPRS Council. The Trustees are responsible for the management of investments and approval of grants of TIF funds. Trustees do not receive any salary or other compensation for their services.

TIF activities are supported by four committees, Audit, Grants Evaluation, Fund-Raising and Executive, to help carry out its work. The geographical locations of the volunteer members of each committee are very carefully taken into account to ensure representation around the world.

#### **Activities of TIF**

TIF provides financial benefits to the international community by enabling improved education, training and tools to be shared with the less privileged, especially those in developing and emerging markets and regions. In addition to recognizing and rewarding outstanding candidates and achievements, TIF promotes and facilitates international cooperation and collaboration by supporting research initiatives for advancing the capabilities and beneficial applications of the sciences, technologies and disciplines of photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information.

TIF provides a variety of grants annually and is enabled to foster relationships with other foundations and trusts established in the ISPRS Member countries and regions. Thus, TIF promotes sustained international sharing for the common good of the sciences, technologies and disciplines represented by the ISPRS.

TIF is required to spend less than 2% of donated funds for its administrative costs. At least 98% of every donation goes to grantees!

# What is the relationship of TIF to ISPRS?

ISPRS Council annually assesses needs and submits requests for support to TIF. Based on availability of funds, TIF Trustees assess the merits of the requests and are the approval authority. Multinational committees (no more than two committee members may be of the same nationality) support the Trustees in evaluating the requests.



2019 The Netherlands Geospatial Week awardees of TIF Travel Grant

#### Achievements of TIF

Since commencing distribution of grants in 2006, TIF has provided nearly USD300,000 to worthy recipients for attendance at ISPRS sponsored and related events and summer schools in various locations around the world. Applications for financial support from TIF are typically prepared on-line and assessed by the Grants Evaluation Committee. In a Congress year, travel grants, which have been partially supported by the Congress organizers, have amounted to about USD35,000, while during other years grants have been of the order of USD20,000. Overall, grants have annually averaged about 14% of TIF funds. TIF benefits from ongoing funding support from the ISPRS Council. TIF sponsors several awards presented to outstanding scientists every four years. Other grants include embedding of a young scientist from Africa in IGI (Integrated Geospatial Innovations) from Kreuztal, Germany.

TIF has received support from other organizations, such as AGSI (African Geospatial Sciences Institute) and IRD in France, to support diverse participation in the 2020 ISPRS Congress in Nice, as well as Symposia and Geospatial Weeks held during each four-year term. TIF is also an ongoing sponsor of the ISPRS Student Consortium, whose members are students and young professionals/researchers under the age of 35, who share the same interest in photogrammetry, remote sensing and geospatial information sciences: http://sc.isprs.org/home.html.

TIF receives generous annual donations from industry partners listed on https://www.isprs.org/foundation/honor/corporate.aspx.

#### **Further information**

Visit the TIF website, www.isprs.org/foundation/ where information such as activites, bylaws, Trustees, operating procedures, donor and grantee lists and FAQs are maintained. Or contact us by email: foundation@isprs.org.



#### Why should I contribute?

The financial assistance provided by TIF has made and will continue to make an important contribution to enabling recipients to better develop their expertise in the photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences. You are strongly urged to give generously to this worthy cause.

If you wish to develop a different approach for your contribution, please prepare and mail (or email foundation@isprs.org) a description of the terms for your donation, and identifying how it furthers the goals of TIF. The Trustees will review your proposal to ensure conditions are feasible, and respond accordingly. You may also wish to becoming a trustee or a member of one of its four committees.

TIF welcomes offers by organizations and companies to:

- host a scholarship, fellowship, internship or exchange program
- support an ISPRS event or summer school
- create an international award
- contribute in-kind services, tools, licenses, literature, for fundraising



2022 ISPRS Nice Congress Student Consortium members and participants

#### How can I contribute?

Contributions are invited from individuals, businesses and organizations around the world who want to support TIF's goals, programs and objectives. Contributions may be made in cash or provided as endowments, bequests, gifts, or legacies. Donors may choose to make either a Restricted or an Unrestricted (General) contribution. Restricted cash contributions are recorded and identified by the specific goal(s) of the donor. Donations to TIF often qualify for charitable tax deduction or tax relief. The simplest method is to visit The ISPRS Foundation website: https://www.isprs.org/foundation/donations/default.aspx and choose your method of payment using this icon:



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Attendees of 2019 Korea Summer School sponsored by TIF