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SHORT COURSE: REMOTE SENSING AND GIS FOR GEOLOGICAL AND MINERAL EXPLORATION

Geologists involved in geological mapping and mineral resources exploration have many different geologic data sets and GIS tools at their disposal to increase the efficiency of geologic mapping and exploration campaigns. Remote sensing and airborne geophysical data sets are used to increase the geologic understanding of project areas and to plan field campaigns more efficiently.

This two-week course provides an introduction into the application of GIS, remote sensing and airborne geophysics to geologic mapping and mineral resources exploration.

[For more information and application](#)

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES ON 'SENSORS, EMPOWERMENT, ACCOUNTABILITY IN TANZANIA (SEMA)'

The research programme "Sensors, Empowerment, Accountability in Tanzania (SEMA)" is funded by the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) under the WOTRO-Global Science for Development Programme. Three PhD candidates, one Postdoctoral Scientist and one software developer will be recruited.

The deadline for application is 31 December 2011.

[For more information and application](#)

ITC STRATEGIC PARTNER GEOSPATIAL WORLD FORUM 2012

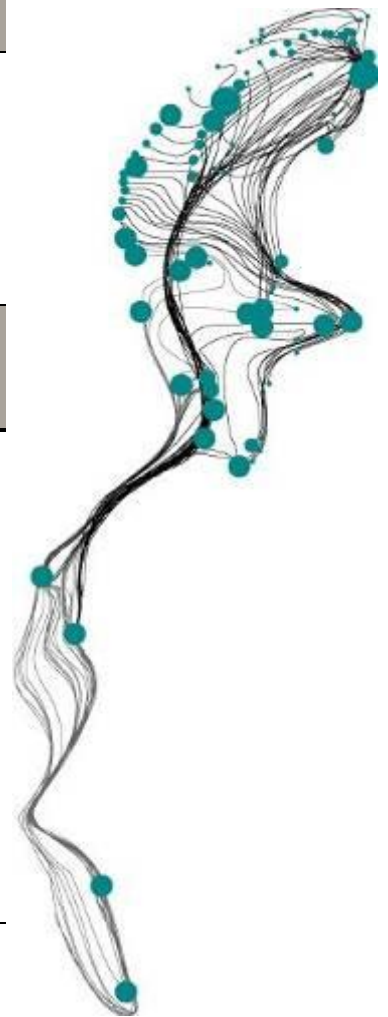
At the premium global geospatial industry event, Geospatial World Forum will bring the stakeholders - solution providers, policy makers as well as users - to a single platform, providing unparalleled opportunities for discussion, debate and interaction.

Geospatial World Forum

Date: 23-27 April 2012

Location: RAI Convention Centre, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

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BEST PAPER AWARD FOR ITC ALUMNUS UTTAM KUMAR

The Indian Society of Remote Sensing has awarded ITC alumnus Uttam Kumar (Department of Management Studies and Centre for Sustainable Technologies, Indian Institute of Science and) the Best Paper Award of ISRS in the area of Geo-Spatial Technology for the year 2010 for his paper on *Mining land cover information using multilayer perception and decision tree from MODIS Data*.

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UPCOMING DISTANCE EDUCATION COURSES

[Geostatistics and Open-Source Statistical Computing](#)
[Hyperspectral Remote Sensing](#)
[Systems analysis and modeling](#)
[GIS Data Quality](#)

For a complete overview of courses: <http://www.itc.nl/Pub/Study/CourseFinder>

ANALYSIS AND MEASURES TO PREVENT LAND GRABBING IN TANZANIA

Large scale land acquisition, also referred to as land grabbing, is taking place in many African countries. Driven by the need for large areas of land for food and biofuel production, the purchase or lease of vast tracks of lands by international and national investors has become a widespread phenomenon. Although these investments are considered to stimulate the economy in developing countries, they compete with local communities who are losing access to the resources on which they depend for food and their livelihoods.



The Land Administration Unit (LAU) at Ardh University, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and its partners: the UNU School for Land Administration Studies (ITC) of the University of Twente; and MKURABITA, President's Office, Tanzania, organized a one-day national seminar on Land Grabbing in Tanzania.

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ALUMNI GATHERINGS

Meet old friends and ITC staff and make contact with fellow alumni in your country.

Upcoming alumni gatherings

Bangalore, India
EduFair India
[Sheraton Park, SAKSHIN](#)
3 December 2011
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Chennai, India

EduFair India

Jamavar Restaurant (Leela Palace Hotel, 23 Airport Road, Kodihalli, Bangalore

5 December 2011

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The events are free of charge but places must be reserved in advance.

Please RSVP to the Alumni Office at alumni@itc.nl.

LIBRARY BLOG: VISUALIZING FACEBOOK

Placebook is the geographic representation of Facebook use. You can see where, how many, or what percentage of people in a specific country use Facebook.

You can also allow Placebook to use your friends' data and construct your own world map of friends!

Pop quiz: please answer before accessing this site!

Which country in the world has the highest percentage of Facebook users?

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A complete list with new library additions is available at:

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Or contact Drs. M.Th. Koelen (koelen@itc.nl) at the ITC library.

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