



## INGEO&SIG2020

8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Engineering Surveying

4th Symposium on Engineering Geodesy

April 1-4, 2020, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Dear Colleagues,

the **joint conference IN GEO & SIG 2020**, which was planned to be held April 1-4, 2020 in Dubrovnik, was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation. The organizers in Croatia are still in discussion with the governmental bodies as well as the hotel and the agency, how to override this situation. We have decided to prepare the conference in a new term, which will be possible according to the actual pandemic regulations as well as could be accepted by the hotel and the agency. This information was communicated by the conference web, also.

We would like to inform you, about the review process and the progress according to the preparation of the conference proceedings. As you know, it was planned to publish the papers accepted for the conference program in two different ways. The first was that all accepted papers will be included in the **conference proceeding, which will be available during the conference on a USB** stick. This will be realized during the conference and the proceedings will be available for all of us, the attendants during the conference.

Second, it was planned to **publish selected (reviewed) papers in a book by Springer Nature**. The book was planned to be published by the Open Access line, to ensure the broad access to the papers as well as the high citation rate for authors. Thanks to your cooperation, we have completed the proceeding to the time, which was given in the agreement with the publisher and was sent the complete documentation for the book production to Springer, in time.

Due to the new situation and the cancellation of the conference were the funds available for the book production strictly reduced. So it was necessary to open a new discussion with the Springer and find a new way to finish the production. Last week we have signed the new contract, which enables us to change the Open Access line to the classical business line, which means that the book will be available by Springer for the price set according to the internal rules of the publisher. Springer will have all the right to buy this using his traditional way. The **authors will have free access to the online version of the book, during the conference via the link**, which will be open by the Springer for all authors.

I hope, this way could be acceptable for all of you and brings all of us the most effective usage/valuation of the potential included in papers and their review.

Information about the actual development and the new term of the conference will be available on the conference web page: [www.ingeo-sig2020.hgd1952.hr](http://www.ingeo-sig2020.hgd1952.hr)

I wish you good health and good luck in this complicated situation.

**Alojz Kopáček**

Chair of the Conference SC

Conference partners:

