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CGA NEWS

Japan Sendai Earthquake Data Portal

In response to the Tohoku Earthquake and Tsunami on March 11 the CGA launched a web portal for posting and sharing geographic information and maps of the affected areas. The website has received thousands of hits per day since it went live a few hours after the earthquake. Hundreds of datasets are available at the website, and links to many informative web maps: <http://cegrp.cga.harvard.edu/japan/?q=content/home>

A Harvard Gazette article on the portal: <http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2011/03/a-quake-data-clearinghouse/>

Harvard Gazette article on Harvard's overall earthquake response:
<http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2011/03/harvard-pushes-to-aid-japan/>

Before and after satellite photos:
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/events/japan-quake-2011/beforeafter.htm>

Live geocoded tweets from Sendai:
<http://sendai.hypercities.com/>

CGA Spring Conference: World Map Training and Poster/Video Contest

The annual CGA spring conference "Geospatial Collaboration: New Common Ground" will be held May 6-7 in Cambridge. Instructor led training sessions will be offered on how to use WorldMap on Saturday, May 7, as part of the conference. Go here register for the training:
<http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&pageid=icb.page148866>

WorldMap is a spatial data and mapping application that allows one to use existing data, upload one's own data, create maps, collaborate with others, and publish for restricted or public viewing. More on WorldMap: <http://worldmap.harvard.edu/>

The CGA is also inviting poster and video submissions for inclusion in the video and poster session to be held in conjunction with the conference. To view the poster and video submission details, and register for the conference, go to our conference page: <http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&tabgroupid=icb.tabgroup110805>

Call for Submissions: Fisher Prize in GIS at Harvard

This year's Howard T. Fisher award for excellence in Geographic Information Science will include two categories: Poster and Video, with a \$500 prize given to the award winner in each category. In addition, the poster and video submissions will be featured at the annual CGA workshop "Geospatial Collaboration: New Common Ground". Deadline for submittals is **Friday, April 29**, 2011. View details on our Fisher Prize page. <http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&tabgroupid=icb.tabgroup101133>

Post-Doc Position Opening at CGA

This two-year position will be responsible for introducing spatial reasoning and geographic analysis into the core curriculum at Harvard College and other schools at Harvard University. See more details and how to apply for the position at our jobs page:

<http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&pageid=icb.page190008>

Conference Summaries

CGA members have recently attended the GeoData 2011 NFS Sponsored Workshop and World Historical Dataverse Workshop. Read the conference reports at our Summaries of Previous GIS Events page: <http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&pageid=icb.page190138>

CONFERENCES

Geomorphometry Conference 2011

This conference on "the science of digital terrain analysis" will be held on September 7-11, 2011 on the ESRI campus in Redlands, CA. Author registration and poster submission deadline is May 15, 2011. View the website: <http://geomorphometry.org/2011>

NEWS ON GIS RESEARCH AND SERVICES

Call for Registration: GEOIDE Summer School

The 2011 GEOmatics for Informed Decisions Summer School (GSS) will be held at the University of Toronto at Scarborough in Toronto, Ontario, Canada from May 20th to 25th, 2011. The GSS is designed for graduate students and will offer courses in three trendy and innovative fields of Geomatics consisting of: Geomatics and Temporality, Risk Analysis and Management, and Visualization of space. Spaces are limited and registration will close on May 1st, 2011.

More details and to register: <http://www.geoide.ulaval.ca/gsshome.aspx>

USGIF 2011 Scholarship

The United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF) is now accepting scholarship applications.

For more details and to apply: <http://usgif.org/education/scholarships>

Geography Education Grant Award

The National Conference on Geography Education Research Committee is accepting proposals for the E. Willard and Ruby S. Miller Geography Education Research Grant, which will be rewarded to help research issues related to geography education for 2011. Proposals must be submitted by April 8, 2011, and may request up to \$4,000 for projects lasting up to 24 months. The deadline for proposal submission is Fri 8 April 2011. More details at our Grants and Awards

page: <http://gis.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k235&pageid=icb.page190019>

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<http://www.slate.com/id/2288928/>

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http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2011/02/23/opinion/20110224_Schulten.html

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