

Dear all

Three things for you this week:

- A message from the MODSIM2021 Convenors
- A position paper that may interest you
- A call for papers on open modelling in Annals of GIS

kind regards, Karen

MODSIM2021

The organisation for MODSIM2021 <http://mssanz.org.au/modsim2021> (28 November – 2 December 2021) in Sydney is in full swing. The conference theme is: *Modelling for action with a flood of data and a cloud of uncertainty*. We will once again be joined by DORS and ASOR and we are in discussion with potential other partners. The current COVID-19 situation has meant we have been rethinking some of the delivery modes, but we still think that a majority traditional ‘in-person’ conference is the way to go. We are keen to hear suggestions for possible sponsors or suggestions for additional activities. Please feel free to contact us at: modsim2021@mssanz.org.au

Associate Professor Willem Vervoort, Distinguished Professor Alexey Voinov, Professor Jason Evans, and Associate Professor Lucy Marshall

Dear colleagues:

Recently, with Tony, Barry, Alex and Susan, and some of our members, we have published a new paper titled *Position Paper Open Web-Distributed Integrated Geographic Modelling and Simulation to Enable Broader Participation and Applications* in Earth-Science Reviews, which is a topic journal in earth science.

Here is the link <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0012825220302695>

Because it is an open access paper, we would appreciate it if you could spread it to anyone who may be interested.

Thanks again.

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Call for papers-Special Issue "Open Geographic Modeling" in Annals of GIS

Here is a call for papers on open modeling in Annals of GIS.

Papers will cover a wide spectrum of topics, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Environmental modeling

- Integrated environmental modeling
- Collaborative modeling
- Participatory modeling
- Human-activity modeling
- Relationship between information and real world
- Geographic information analysis
- Spatiotemporal analysis and modeling
- Big data mining
- Scenario simulation and modeling
- Social media modeling
- Artificial intelligence, GIS, and remote sensing
- Hydrology, climate change, air quality, terrestrial carbon cycle, etc.

Submission guidelines

Submission Deadline: September 30, 2020

Expected final decision: Dec 1, 2020

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I also want to take this opportunity to let you know of the three important aspects about publishing in Annals of GIS: 1) Annals of GIS has now been included in the Clarivate's **ESCI indexing**; 2) Annals of GIS is an Open Access journal with Open Access paid for, which means that publications in **Annals of GIS are free of charge for Open Access**; 3) Annals of GIS **does NOT charge publication fees**. With ESCI indexing and open access, your research will have a much wider circulation and create a much broader impact.

Thanks ahead for your contribution.

Best

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