



## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

Dear GnosisGIS Members,

I sincerely hope that you and your families are in good health. The world has completely changed in a couple of months. United Nations stated that the COVID-19 pandemic is "the most challenging crisis we have faced since the Second World War". We are challenging new lifestyle featured by lockdown, social distancing, quarantine, tracing...to many challenges for us with medical, social and economic implications.

Now more than ever we need resilience and a trustable scientific community as geospatial health.

Stay Healthy, Keep Safe

Laura

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### Covid-19: Pandemonium in our time

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### Abstract

While pandemonium has come to mean wild and noisy disorder, the reference here is to John Milton's epic poem *Paradise Lost* and the upheaval following Lucifer's banishment from Heaven and his construction of *Pandæmonium* as his hub. Today's avalanche of conflicting news on how to deal with the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) brings to mind the Trinity nuclear bomb test with Enrico Fermi estimating its strength by releasing small pieces of paper into the air and measuring their displacement by the shock wave. Fermi's result, in fact not far from the true value, emphasised his ability to make good approximations with few or no actual data. The current wave of Covid-19 presents just this kind of situation as it engulfs the world from ground zero in Wuhan, China. Much information is indeed missing, but datasets that might lead to useful ideas on how to handle this pandemic are steadily accumulating.

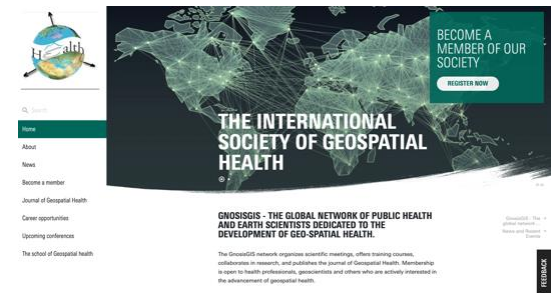
Read full article [here](#).

## GNOSISGIS WEBSITE

### Something new soon! Revamped GnosisGIS website forthcoming!

A fresh look, better access to state-of-the-art publications, more info on conferences and meetings, up to date job opportunities, training and education in Geospatial health. The new website aims to improve our connection with health professionals, geoscientists and other academics who are actively interested in the advancement of geospatial health. The redesigned website will be online by the end of May. The domain name remains unchanged: [www.gnosisgis.org](http://www.gnosisgis.org)

The new website is hosted by the Faculty of Geoinformation Science and Earth Observation of the University of Twente, the Netherlands. Stay tuned for a special announcement in the coming weeks!



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **The 13th European Multicolloquium of Parasitology** (Belgrade, Serbia) has been postponed to summer 2021.



**SAVE THE DATE:** GnosisGIS will organize a special session and the 14<sup>th</sup> annual symposium on Geospatial Health at EMOP XIII!

- **The 28th International Conference of the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology** will be held at the Convention Centre Dublin, Ireland, 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021.



## GNOSISGIS MEMBERSHIP

2020 Memberships are now due. If you have not received an invoice please email [gnosisgis@gmail.com](mailto:gnosisgis@gmail.com)

