



# International Society of Geospatial Health Newsletter - Spring 2015



Registration and abstract submission is open now for GnosisGIS 2015! This year's meeting will take place in Basel, Switzerland, Sept. 5-6, 2015, just before the 9<sup>th</sup> European Congress on Tropical Medicine and International Health (ECTMIH, Sept. 6-10, 2015). A special session for GnosisGIS will also be held during the ECTMIH conference. Registration and abstract submission are available on the GnosisGIS website ([www.gnosisgis.org](http://www.gnosisgis.org)).

Abstract submission

**Deadline May 30, 2015**

Registration Early\*/Late

GnosisGIS member	€100/€200
GnosisGIS non-member	€175/€275
Accompanying person	€ 50

**\*Early registration ends June 13, 2015.**

## GnosisGIS Executive Committee Meeting

The meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for June 26, 2015 in St. Petersburg, Russia. The venue was chosen because a GnosisGIS session has been organized at the conference "GIS for Health Russia: Data, Analysis, Products", June 25-26, 2015, St. Petersburg.

## GnosisGIS @ British Society for Parasitology Meeting – April 16-18, 2015

GnosisGIS had a special session at the British Society for Parasitology held in Liverpool. Laura Rinaldi and Robert Bergquist chaired two sessions on "Parasites and Geospatial Ecology".



## The Journal

The journal *Geospatial Health* is now on the platform of PagePress with Dr. Lucia Zoppi as managing editor. Pagepress is an Italian publisher that ensures rapid review and publication, including DOI-format production of accepted papers. This means that submitted papers can be read and treated as formally published as soon as they are finalized, i.e. before the journal issue in question appears. Thus, while time before publication is considerably shortened, peer-review, copyediting and layout continue to be kept at the highest level. As before, all articles published in *Geospatial Health* are open access and retrievable by the major directories, such as PubMed, CABl, etc.



The first 2015 issue of *Geospatial Health* is a special issue (9.2) dedicated to GLOWORM, a specific project supported by the European Union's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7). The aim of this project was to devise new, sustainable strategies for the effective control of ruminant helminth infections in the face of climate change. The 10 papers in the special issue present the spatio-temporal modeling of the distribution and abundance of *Fasciola* and *Haemonchus* in cattle and sheep in Europe at local, regional and continent-wide scales.



Editor-in-chief of *Geospatial Health*, Robert Bergquist, visited the University of Naples Federico II from 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015 to meet the Associate Editor Laura Rinaldi and the new publisher giving a seminar entitled "Spatial epidemiology: background and tools of the trade" for the PhD students of the Department of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Productions at the University.

The 10.1 issue of *Geospatial Health* will be published in May with a completely new layout.