

GeoConference Quebec 2007, a truly memorable gathering !

A big thank-you to the 1 200 geodelegates from over forty different countries who took part in GeoConference Québec 2007! Based on the theme "Histoire de voir le monde", the event gave members of the Québec, Canadian and international geocommunity an opportunity to share their expertise and broaden their understanding of various issues. The GeoConference quickly became the largest-ever geomatics and surveying convention to be held in Québec!

The GeoConference was a big success, not only in terms of attendance but also in terms of the quality of the papers presented, the themes discussed, the scope of the commercial exhibition, the range of the training on offer, the youth activities, and of course the outstanding social events!

The organizing committee hopes that the GeoConference will lead to new discussions at the national level, and also that it will mark the beginning of a new era of international geo-cooperation.

Presentations and papers from the GeoConference are accessible on the website www.Quebec2007.ca via the Program page.

**Annick Jatton, Daniel Roberge and Pierre Tessier
Copresidents of GeoConference Quebec 2007**



The three copresidents of GeoConference Québec 2007 Annick Jatton, chair of Champlain Branch, Canadian Institute of Geomatics, Pierre Tessier, president of Quebec Association of Land Surveyors and Daniel Roberge, director of the Office of the Surveyor General. Welcome address of Claude Béchar, minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife and Surveyor General of Québec at the opening ceremony.



The General Assembly of the Francophone Federation of Surveyors (FGF: Fédération des géomètres francophones) where 15 member states were represented.

Mr Alain Gaudet, president of FGF and Mr Stig Enemark, president of FIG at the General Assembly of FGF.





Plenary session : *Our world in 20 years*

Aziz Hilali of Morocco, Stig Enemark of FIG, Michel Paradis and Nathalie Massé of Canada and Remy Sietchiping of UN HABITAT.



On October 4th, the planets were well aligned to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the space era, exactly 50 years after the launching of the first satellite Spoutnik 1 on October 4th 1957, with the guest speaker Dr Steve McLean, Astronaut in chief, Canadian Space Agency.