Geography for Society: putting Bologna into action

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Welcome and ‘thank you’

- Glenda Wall
- Louise Webster
- Guest speakers and presenters
- Steering group and TP leaders
- ESRI colleagues
- EGEA
- You – as participants and delegates
HERODOT

- International network for Geography in higher education
- established in 2002 – launched in 2003
- Networked organisation
- Funded mainly by the European Commission
- Wide diversity of membership
- Large and diverse
- Major events, smaller activities
- Many spin-off projects and actions happening – not just in Europe
Increasingly worldwide

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4 Pillars - academic themes

• devised from member survey and State of Geography and TUNING research
• developed by the Steering group
• submitted to the EC for support
  – TP1: Citizenship, culture, place, identity
  – TP2: Geography for 21st century
  – TP3: Innovation and futures
  – TP4: Lifelong learning and employability
HERODOT II aims

- **promote** Geography (to those we target) … TP2
- improve the **employability** of Geography graduates … TP4
- **promote excellence in the teaching (and learning) of Geography** …. TP1, TP3
- to **produce guidelines** for example to establish what Geography in higher education should look like ….. all
- consider the **professional development of Geographers** …. all
- recognise the **key role to be played in support of international initiatives** eg International Polar Year, the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development and the IGU Charter
- **build a valued and respected organisation** - the formation of a association for professional geographers, or a ‘**Professional Geography Society**’….. all

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Welcome to the HERODOT Network

This is the home page of the HERODOT network. HERODOT is a Thematic Network for Geography in Higher Education with more than 150 members from around the world. Our activities are organised under four thematic pillars (TPs).

Latest News

Geography student poster and film competitions >> details announced

Searching for Geography departments to be involved in an Erasmus Mundus project to run HERODOT conferences and workshops >> contact

Becoming a HERODOT member

The EUGEO conference in the Netherlands, August 20-23. Be involved.

HERODOT to participate in the Human Plus Archipelago.

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Community

TP2: Geography for 21st century more...
- Forum: What is 21st century Geography?
- Quiz: What makes Geography special?
- About TP2
- TP2 chat area
- TP2 summary

TP3: Innovative teaching in and about Europe more...
- About TP3
- Forum: What training do teachers need? 3 unread posts

TP4: Lifelong learning and employability more...
- About TP4
- Forum: Where do Geographers work?
- TP4 Chat room demo
- TP4 summary

http://www.herodot.net/community

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Coming up soon

• Workshop: *Geography and Interdisciplinarity* – Sibiu, Romania – end October 2007
• Workshop: *Teaching with GIS* – Mytilene, Greece – June 2008
• AGIT Conference – Salzburg – July 2008
• HERODOT Conference, 4-8 September 2008, Liverpool - “*Professionalising Geography*”
Working with EGEA

- Conference invitations and co-participation
- Involved in all TPs
- Famous Geographers
- Geo-Alumni Web site
- Competitions .....
Information System for the Event "Villacher Kirchtag"

Why could GIS be interesting for an event like the "Villacher Kirchtag"?
- Manual handling of the organisation eased by GIS

New activities

Poster

Competition

Implementation
- Desktop Application
- Digital map in ArcGIS linked via OLE DB Connection & Join
- Folder
  - Based on an orthophoto
  - Marking of the zones and important symbols
- Outcomes
- Functions of the Desktop Application
  - Input form
  - Recall of information by clicking on the map
  - Billing via Serial letter
- Folder
  - Guide for visitors on the event area
  - Listing of the most important agenda items

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Poster Competition

Winners:
Alena Vondrakova, Olomouc, CZ

CITY POPULATION MOVEMENT AND ITS CARTOGRAPHIC VISUALIZATION

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Poster Competition

Winners:
Hielke Koppert, Ferry Westdijk, Utrecht, NL

SUSTAINABLE URBANISATION IN UTERCHT PROVINCE

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• a key theme in HERODOT II
• relates to the work done under the first phase of the project

What Bologna are we putting into action?

• Visible ….. Transparent
• Innovative….. Excellent
• Student-centred ….. Economic
• European ….. geographical

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What Geography for Society?

• Who do we need to address?

• What messages should we give?

• How can we ensure others hear our messages?

• What responses do we give – curricula, courses, pedagogies, approaches?

• What tools do we need?
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Some likely products and outcomes

• Geo-toolkit – including the Geo-Cube ([http://www.herodot.net/geocubetest](http://www.herodot.net/geocubetest))
• a Stockholm declaration on employability
• employability profile for graduate geographers
• teaching and learning publication
• europeanisation text book
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We have some specific tasks before us
Enjoy your time together
Work hard and creatively

You are special
HERODOT is special
I thank you for coming and sharing