

## Reports on Geodesy and Geoinformatics: A New Step in the Journal's History

Dear Readers,

Our journal has been published for more than twenty-two years. Over that period we have been successful in attracting many faithful readers as well as the recognition of the scientific community. We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the writers, reviewers, readers, and everyone who has been with us over all these years.

We would especially like to direct our thanks to the editors of *Reports on Geodesy*, particularly to Professor Janusz Śledziński, the creator and Editor-in-Chief for many years. Without his passion and involvement we would not be recognized in over one hundred scientific libraries throughout the world.

Today, we are opening a new chapter in the history of the journal. Starting with this issue, the periodical shall be published by the Faculty of Geodesy and Cartography of the Warsaw University of Technology under a new name: *Reports on Geodesy and Geoinformatics*. It will primarily appear in electronic form. Internet access to complete articles in an "open access" formula will significantly facilitate use by those who are interested as well as expand the circle of readers.

We would like to stress that our journal, while fully in keeping with tradition, is intent on presenting the whole of technological and scientific progress taking place in modern geodesy and cartography, where research and implementation of geoinformatic character play an exceptionally important role in accelerating the development of our discipline. It is for this reason that we have decided to expand the journal's formula so as to encourage a broader group of scientists and specialists in the realms of geodesy, computer science, cartography, photogrammetry, remote sensing, geography, geology, and related sciences who are developing new methods and technologies of geovisualization and are involved in the modeling of space applying GIS technology to collaborate with us. At the same time, the journal's profile shall maintain the importance of other theoretical, industrial, and development research in the areas of theoretical geodesy, geodetic astronomy, navigation, and studies on displacements and the classic problems facing geodesic surveying.

It is our hope that the *Reports on Geodesy and Geoinformatics* reach you with even greater frequency and that the periodical's international renown is enhanced.

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