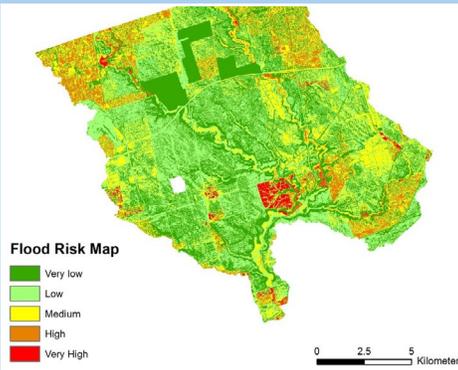




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Flood Risk Assessment



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Toronto Candidature XXV ISPRS Congress 2026 From Imagery to Understanding

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The year 2026 will mark the 116th year of international cooperation in the geospatial sciences since the ISP was founded in 1910. This remarkable achievement has been made possible by the willingness to share ideas, information and the science with which we work on a daily basis across national borders. We look forward to the opportunity to celebrate the many achievements of the ISPRS and its members and set the stage for the future as we hope that the member organizations of the ISPRS come together in Toronto in 2026. At the same time as we look back on the history of our field as we always do at the Congress, we will most definitely be looking to the future. We know that the world today depends on geospatial information – from economic development to mitigating and responding to climate change. The information that we develop is critical: our science and technologies underpin much of the world's economic and environmental activities. The story of imagery to understanding bears telling – and we plan to work with the rest of the world to tell it in Toronto in 2026.

Canadian Contributions

Canada has played a significant role in the ISP/ISPRS over the past several decades. Examples of Canadian contributions to the ISP/ISPRS include:

- **Ottawa was the host city for the XII Congress in 1972.**
- **Technical Commission Symposia** were held in 1974, 1978, 1982, 1986, 1990, 1994, 2002, 2010 and 2014.
- In addition, several other **ISPRS workshops and symposia** have been hosted across the country.

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- **Dr. George Zarzycki**, *President Commission IV*: 1976-1980
- **Dr. Leo Sayn-Wittgenstein**, *President Commission VII*: 1972-1976
- **Dr. Samuel G. Gamble**, *President ISP*: 1972-1976