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IGFS Retreat Bertinoro Centre, Bologna area, Italy March 24-25

The IGFS Retreat was an proposal from the “1st Meeting of the International Gravity Field Service”. The aim of the retreat is to make a detailed action plan for the development and integration of the gravity field related services:

BGI – Bureau Gravimetricque
IGeS – International Geoid Service
ICET – International Centre for Earth Tides
ICGEM – International Center for Global Earth Models
IDEMS – International DEM Service
IAS – International Altimeter Service (currently being formed)

The goal is how to make IGFS an effective “umbrella service”, e.g. distributing global, joint gravity field solutions and standard models, especially to service the needs of GGOS (Global Geodetic Observing System), and making outreach broad on behalf of the whole geodetic gravity field science. It will also be central to define the future role of the “IGFS Central Bureau” located at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

The retreat is held just before the GGOS Retreat, Bertinoro Centre, Bologna, March 25-27, see <http://geodesy.unr.edu/ggos/sc/meetings/scm13/>

Agenda for the IGFS retreat:

Monday, March 24:

1800 Initial meeting, meet in reception area
2000 Working dinner at Bertinoro Center

Tuesday, March 25:

0900 Discussion and planning session:
- Status outline of the “level-1” services
- Future role of Central Bureau and NGA in IGFS
- Data collection initiatives (e.g. “World Gravity Project”, EGM08 follow-up), following the example of IERS?
- “IGFS” combined gravity field models and a global vertical datum?
- Web sites and service
- IGFS representation in GGOS and IERS
1300 Lunch
1400 Follow-up discussions, transfer when ready to GGOS 2020 summary session
1830 GGOS ice-breaker

(March 26-28: GGOS retreat)

Note: The GGOS retreat is open to all gravity field service chairman or representatives (service presidents are by default members of the GGOS Steering Committee). Please try and participate in the GGOS retreat if at all possible, to secure a better representation of gravity there.

Practical arrangements:

The Bertinoro Centre is about 80 km from the Airport of Bologna, and close to the smaller regional airport of Forli. For details of transportation to Bertinoro see http://www.ceub.it/inglese/centro_universitario.htm

Coordination of “car-pool” rental car transportation from Bologna will be arranged, contact rf@space.dtu.dk if required or if you want to offer space.

There will be no registration fee for the IGFS retreat. Room and meal costs are around 50-55 Euro at the Bertinoro Centre, see http://www.ceub.it/corsi/corso-scheda_en.cfm?wid=1009. Online booking if you participate in both the IGFS and GGOS retreat is available here (mention you also participate in “International Gravity Field Service” meeting).

If you only participate in the IGFS retreat, please book accommodation directly with the Bertinoro centre, contact segreteria@ceub.it with cc to Ms Eleonora Campori (ecampori@ceub.it).

See you in Italy

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