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Capacity Development of GeoInformation Technology Practical Exploration in Wuhan University

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Earth Observations
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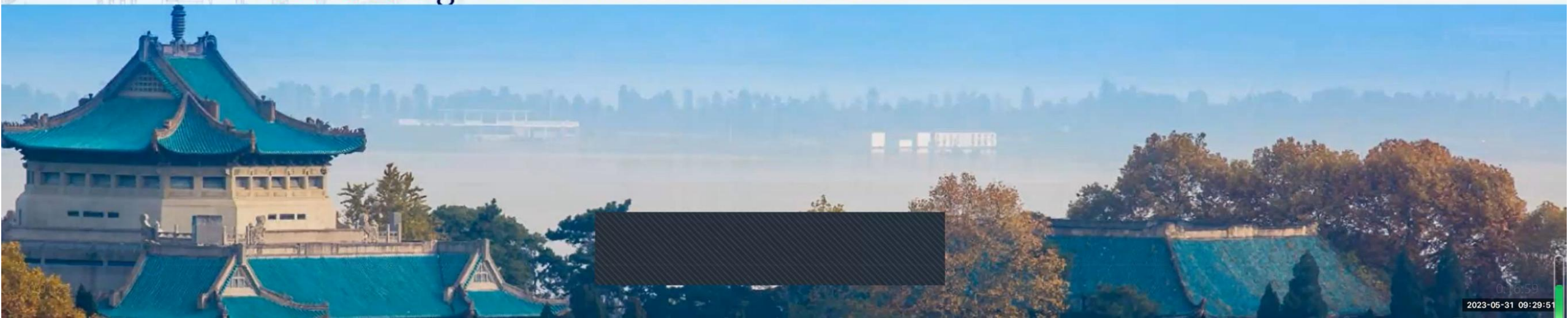
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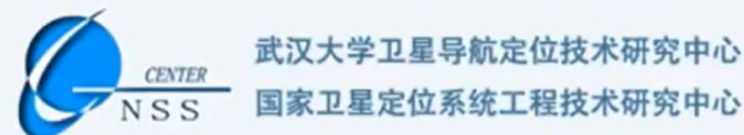
- Recruiting international students of geospatial technology
- Supporting Wuhan University in building a **world-class university** and creating a **world-class discipline**
- Forming a global cooperation mechanism for the geospatial information industry under the **UN-GGIM** global education framework



International Academy on GeoInformation

- Beginning 2015, first development plan and detailed construction plan
 - December 2015, presentation at UN-GGIM working meeting at the UN headquarters in New York
 - September 2016, the first batch of students were enrolled, with 12 masters and 5 PhDs
 - April 2017, SCGI dual master program with Thailand Ministry of Science and Technology
 - October 2020, Timo Balz, a German professor at the laboratory, was appointed as the associate dean of the institute
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International Academy on GeoInformation



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IAG Enrollment in 2022

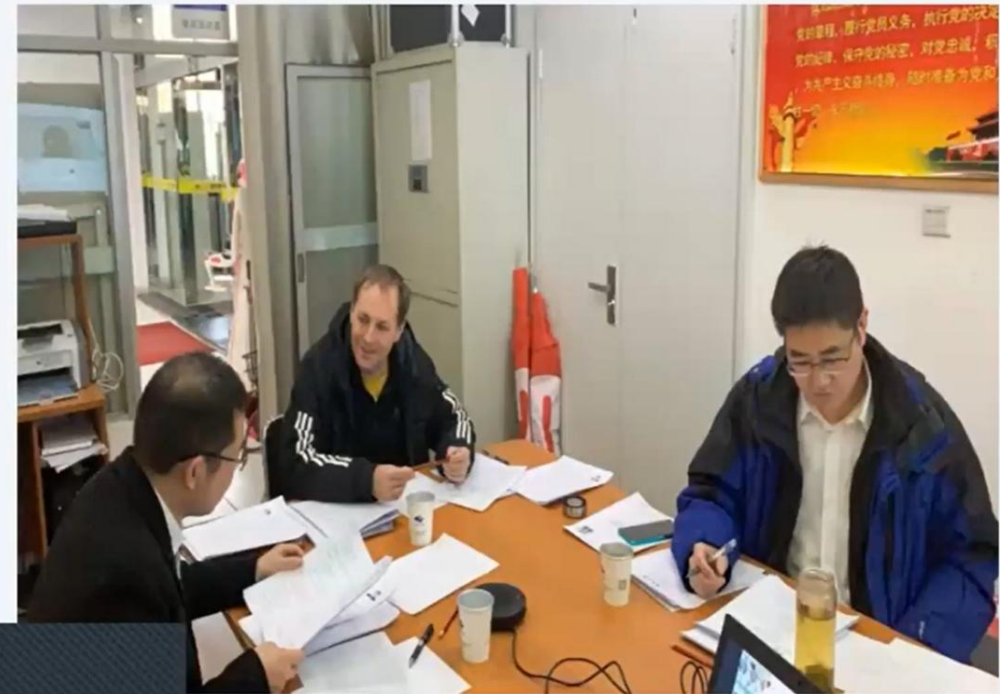


Origin of IAG students

- The China-Algeria Satellite Program, the China-Thailand SCGI Dual Master's program and individual students from Pakistan are the main sources of international students.
- European students come via the Dragon Program, Sino-German Dual Master's Program and through the Summer School
- Others are mainly from Africa or Belt and Road countries.

Student Selection of IAG

- IAG receives 100+ applications each year
- Students are selected during January - March



Student Training

Diverse and international team

Highly qualified lecturers

- Introduced six new foreign faculty members for teaching, with overall now 26 courses available in English each year.

Team of young teachers

- From experienced Academicians to young teachers, a team is formed from integrated mentorship relations.

CEOs teaching case studies

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Education resources

- Each year, 24 full English courses are offered, covering a wide range of disciplines such as earth science, geophysics, mapping science and technology, and geography
- More than 10 famous overseas scholars come to teach regularly every year



Daniel A. Griffith

Texas State University,
Spatial statistics and analysis



Wolfgang Kainz

Prof.
University of Vienna,
Austria.

Contemporary geoinformation technology



Orhan Altan

Istanbul Technical University

Disaster management



Jean-Pierre Barriot

University of French Polynesia

Contemporary geoinformation technology



Marcello Pellilo

University of Venice, Italy

Machine learning

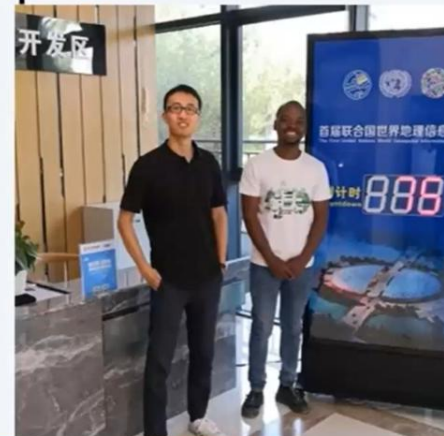
International Doctoral Forum

- Since 2017, International Doctoral Forum on Geospatial Information Science have been held every year
- The forum is held in cooperation with Peking University and universities in Hong Kong for the International Doctoral Forum on Geospatial Information Science.



Outstanding students of IAG

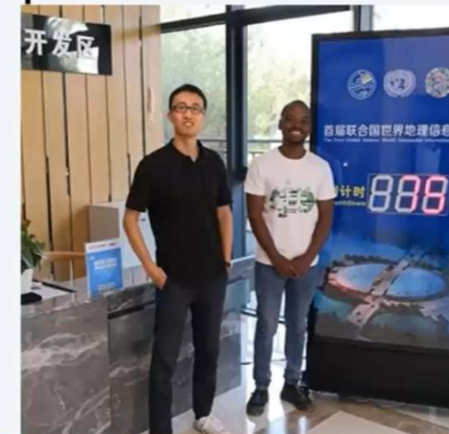
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International GeoInformatics Summer School(IGSS)

The GeoInformatics Summer School offers motivated university students, graduates and technicians an international and strongly academic summer session where outstanding lecturers and young talents meet to explore new ideas



Principle of IGSS



Knowledge

2 or 3 short Courses;
Academic reports;
Lab operations;
Group working;
Course presentations



Culture

Ice-breaking;
Cultural Show;
Museums visiting



Friendship

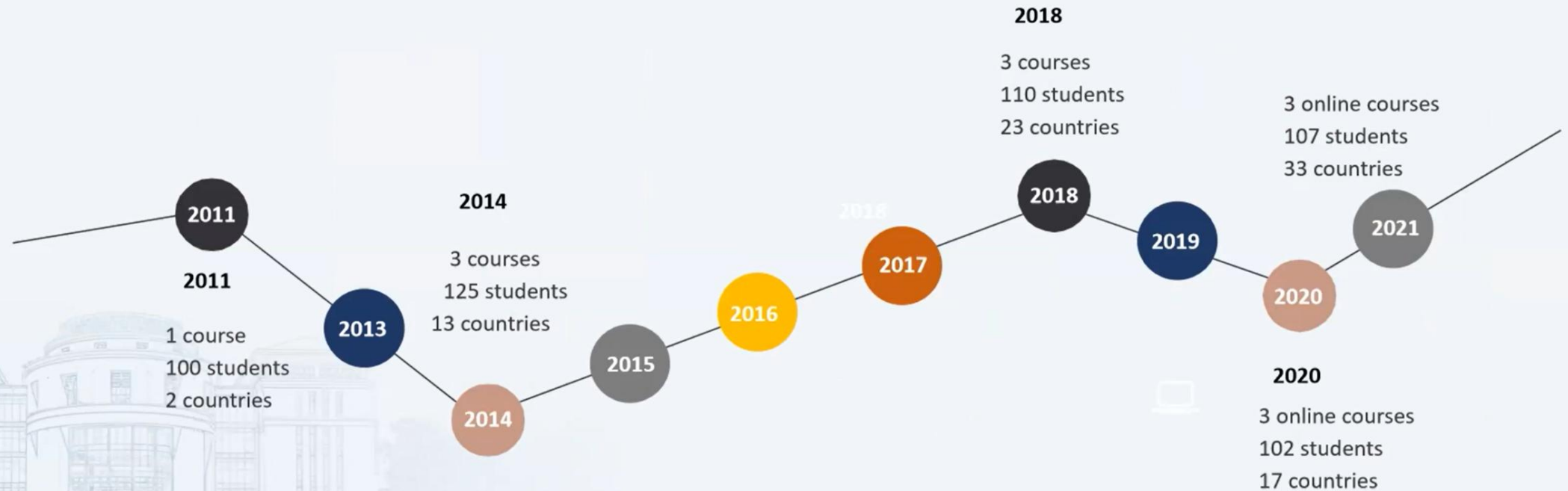
Friendship generates in this multi-cultural environment



Volunteer

Full understanding of Teamwork, Contribution and Cooperation

History of IGSS



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Year	Courses	Lecturers	Students/ Countries
2011	Spatial Statistics in Practice	Prof. Denniel Griffith ; Prof. Bin Li	100/2
2013	Spatial Statistics in Practice Microwave Remote Sensing	Prof. Denniel Griffith; Prof. Bin Li; Prof. Timo Balz	170/5
2014	Spatial Statistics in Practice, Geospatial Service Open Source Mapmaking	Prof. Denniel Griffith; Prof. Bin Li; Prof. Wu Huayi; Dr. Harri Kaartinen; Dr. Jorge Gustavo Rocha;	153/13
2015	Spatial Statistics in Practice, Spatial-Temporal Big Data Analytics	Prof. Denniel Griffith; Prof. Bin; LiProf. Peng Yue	135/8
2016	BDS/GNSS High Precision Positioning Geospatial Data, Algorithm and Model Night-Time Light Remote Sensing	Prof. Niu Xiaoji; Prof. Lou Yidong; Prof. Wu Huayi; Dr. Xi Chen; Dr. Xi Li	70/15
	Courses	Lecturers	Students/ Countries

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2017	Advanced Topics on Remote Sensing, 3D Modeling, Ubiquitous Positioning	Dr. Sisi Zlatanova; Prof. Ruizhi Chen; Prof. Le Wang	85/16
2018	Point Clouds Processing DSMs generation from SAR imagery 3S and Big Data for Research	Prof. Bisheng Yang; Dr. Mattia Crespi; Dr. Andrea Nascetti; Dr. Yin Li	110/23
2019	Surface motion estimation from SAR Ubiquitous Positioning Machine Learning	Prof. Timo Balz; Prof. Chen Ruizhi; Prof. Marcello Pelillo	122/25
2020	Night-time Light Remote Sensing Geospatial Big Data Computing Machine Learning	Prof. Xi Li; Prof. Xiaolin Zhu; Prof. Xi Chen; Prof. Zhenlong Li; Prof. Marcello Pelillo	102/17
2021	Geospatial Big Data Computing Machine Learning Multi-temporal SAR Interferometry	Prof. Zhenlong Li; Prof. Marcello Pelillo; Prof. Timo Balz, Prof. Mingsheng Liang, Prof. Lu Zhang	107/33
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GEO Night Light and UN Internship

- Night light is related to >20 SDG indexes
- GEO night light is a Pilot Initiative of GEO Work Programme
- GEO night light is to evaluate SDG indexes with night light images and other data



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GEO Night Light and UN Internship

- GEO Night Light was implemented under GEO collaboration between Wuhan University and United Nations Satellite Centre (UNOSAT)
- Under GEO Night Light, two students from Wuhan University to UNOSAT as interns under GEO Night Light



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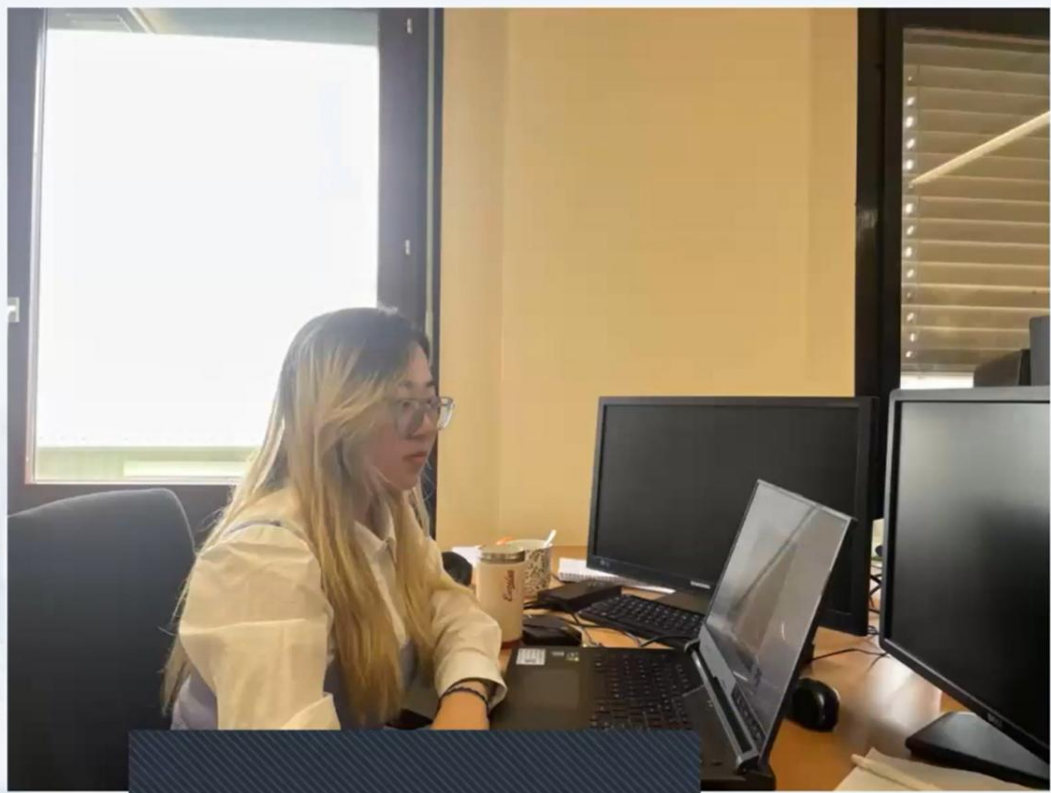


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The UNOSAT interns were trained how to work in UN

- International Communication under multi-cultural environment
- Selecting important topics for analysis
- Writing UN reports



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Attending GEO International Women's day



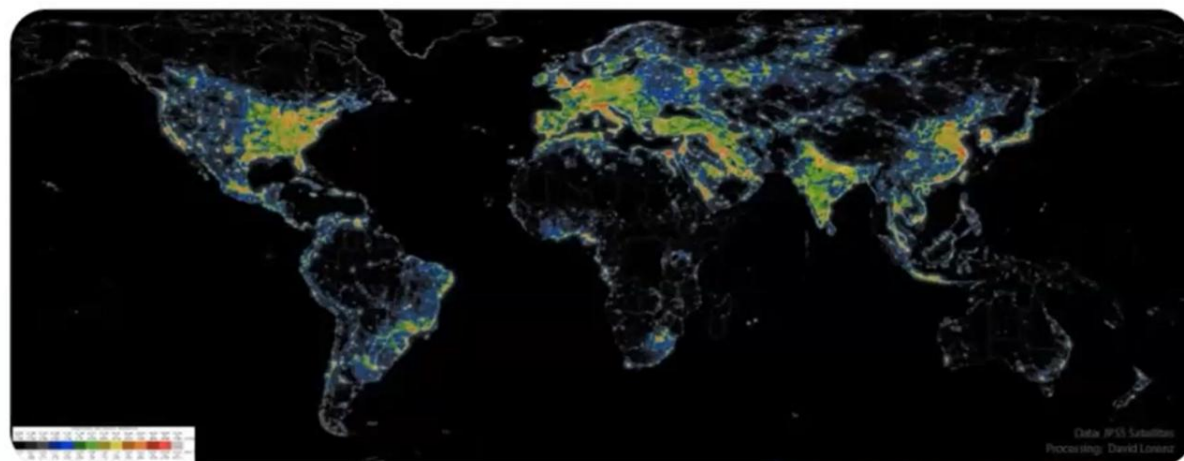
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You can never guess what night visions of 🌍🌍🌍 can tell us, can you? A young lady from @WHU_1893 & @UNOSAT will tell you a story about that

📅 8 MARCH

🕒 4 PM CET/3 PM UTC

🔗 nextgeoss.eu/nextgeoss-webi... Come celebrate #IWD2023 with several other early career women & #earthobs stories



Group on Earth Observations (GEO) 及 另外 9 个人

<https://nextgeoss.eu/nextgeoss-webinar-series-women-mar23>



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Norway

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Amber Kremer

USGEO/USGS
USA

ABOUT AMBER



Juveline Ngum Ngwa

BLEAGLEE
Cameroon

ABOUT JUVELINE



Yu Gong

University of Wuhan
China

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Bente Lilja Bye

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The interns have completed >10 UN reports

14 February 2023



Light loss assessment following the Marash / Antep Earthquake (6 February 2023, Mw 7.8) using Night-time Light Imagery



Türkiye & Syrian Arab Republic

Status: Significant light loss observed.

Further action(s): full assessment to be conducted



20 April 2023



Power Supply Recovery Assessment following the Marash / Antep Earthquake (6 February 2023, Mw 7.8) using Night-time Light Imagery



Türkiye & Syrian Arab Republic

Status: Different recovery pattern observed.

Further action(s): full assessment to be conducted



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UNIVERSIDADE DE MACAU

The products were used and cited by other UN organizations (e.g. UNOCHA and UNHCR) and Disaster Charter

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TÜRKIYE: 2023 Earthquakes

Situation Report No. 1
As of 16 February 2023

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HIGHLIGHTS

216K	36K
people relocated from affected areas	people killed
55	244
UNHCR teams already deployed	Live locations reported by international NGOs

- Cold weather poses a serious risk for people displaced by the earthquakes. Many of them are living outdoors or in temporary shelters. A cold and frosty temperature is expected across large parts of Türkiye today, as well as heavy snowing.
- The Government of Türkiye and the international humanitarian community are scaling up assistance for people in need, including with winter relief.
- 35 Emergency Medical Teams (EMT) are in Türkiye to support facilities and medical facilities deal with the high number of injured patients and catastrophic injuries.
- Assessing damage to many road networks, airfields and ports, roads, bridges and other infrastructure are being repaired.

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Partners

United Nations Office for the

Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Reflecting the destruction of buildings, the departure of people from their homes, and the disruption of basic utilities, a preliminary light-loss assessment issued by the **UN Satellite Centre (UNOSAT) and Wuhan University** on 14 February shows that many urban areas in affected areas became darker after the earthquake, with power outage areas mainly distributed along the plate junction of Kahramanmaras and Hatay, and significant light loss particularly observed in Hatay, Kahramanmaras and Adiyaman. In many sectors of Hatay City, night-time light declined by more than 90 per cent; in Adiyaman, eastern sectors of the city lost more light than western sectors; and downtown Hatay city (areas with higher light density) lost significant light post-earthquake.

Summary

- Wuhan University has invested great resources on capacity development of GeoInformation Technology
- International Academy on GeoInformation and International GeoInformatics Summer School provide highly internationalized education resources for international students
- UN internship under GEO Night Light has promoted capacity of participating international affairs for Chinese students
- After the lockdown policy of COVID-19, the capacity development is transferred from online to offline, and it will be strengthened with more efforts