IGU COMMISSION ON THE HISTORY OF GEOGRAPHY. SCIENTIFIC GUIDELINES AND TOPICS FOR THE SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD WITHIN THE IGU REGIONAL CONFERENCE (ISRAEL, JULY 2010)

On the occasion of the July 2010 IGU Regional Conference in Israel, the IGU Commission on the History of Geography will organize a Symposium made up of several sessions: some sessions will be held at Tel-Hai Academic College (on July 11, within the framework of the pre-conference field trip that will take place on July 9-12) and the rest in Tel Aviv (during the major conference, on July 12- 16).

The general topic of the IGU Commission on the History of Geography Symposium will be **Geography**, **Civilizations**, **and Cultural Identities in Historical Perspective**. Special attention will be paid to the historical contribution of Geography and geographical thought in conceptualising world's cultural diversity, at different scales and in different times and places. The Symposium will consider the following topics:

- "spatial" issues of cultural differentiation general categories (nations, ethnic groups, races, civilizations, etc.);
- Geography's contribution to identity creation at national and regional scales;
- the relationships between geography, colonialism, and imperialism within the cultural order (taking the colonial processes into account, not only in their aspects of domination and acculturation, but also within their "positive" aspects of encounter and transculturation);
- the role of geographers in the development and popularisation of the main global "metageographies" and world regional representations;
- Geography's contribution to universalist, internationalist and cosmopolitan thinking;
- the relevance of geographical knowledge for recent cultural and political debates, such as the "clash"/"alliance" of civilizations theories, multiculturalism and globalisation.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Participants are welcome to submit abstracts on the topics listed above, but are not limited to those mentioned.

Sessions dedicated to the IGU *Commission on the History of Geography* will be held both during the conference (at Tel Aviv, July 12 - 16) and during the preconference field trip (at Tel Hai, July 11 Morning). The number of papers that can be presented in the sessions to be held during the preconference at Tel-Tai will be limited to 16. With regard to the conference in Tel Aviv, we recall you that, apart from the Commission's sessions, there will be general conference sessions which will cater for a wider audience, addressing topics not necessarily related to the Commissions.

Participants may present abstracts during the Commission's sessions (either during the pre-conference or within the conference) or during the general sessions of the conference. Please indicate at the bottom of your abstract whether you would like to present your paper within the framework of the commission's sessions, indicating the name of the commission, or in the main conference sessions.

- a) If you prefer to present your abstract within the Commission's sessions, please indicate whether you intend to register for the pre-conference or for the conference, or for both.
- b) If you prefer to present your paper within the main conference sessions, kindly indicate one or more study area corresponding to the commission titles (as advertised on the conference website: www.igu2010.com), compatible with the context of your abstract.

Abstracts will be sent for review and authors will be informed in due time whether their abstract/s have been accepted. Inclusion of abstracts in the scientific program and on the Disc of Abstracts is dependent on payment of registration fees. Abstracts should be submitted online at www.igu2010.com or via email to: geography@targetconf.com. If by email, the abstract should be saved as a Word document and sent as an attachment, please do not send as a PDF file. If using Word 2007, please save file as a document that can be opened in Word 2003.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSTRACTS: FEBRUARY 1, 2010

PRE-CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP AND SESSIONS: HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY OF THE GALILEE, JULY 9-12, 2010

Commission on the History of Geography

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Archaeology, sacred history, modern settlements, European activity.

The field trip will include Acre, Segev Region, Kfar Tavor, Safed, Metulla, the Lebanese Border, Gish, Yiron, Kiriat Shemona, Hula Valley, Rosh-Pina, Sea of Galilee.

Friday, July 9, 2010

All day: Arrivals and overnight

Dan Panorama Tel Aviv

Saturday, July 10, 2010

Day trip to include Acre, Segev Region, Kfar Tabor and Safed.

Dinner and overnight

Kfar Giladi, Upper Galilee

Sunday, July 11, 2010

Morning: Commission Sessions, Tel-Hai Academic College (General Topic: *Geography, Civilizations, and Cultural Identities in Historical Perspective*). Afternoon: Metulla, the Lebanese Border, Gish, Yiron, ending with a reception

at a winery.

Kfar Giladi, Upper Galilee

Monday, July 12, 2010

Dinner and overnight

Kiriat Shemona, Rosh Pina, Hula Valley, Sea of Galilee with visits to Sacred Christian Sites and a stop in Tiberias.

Continue to Tel Aviv for overnight. Drop off at official Conference hotel, as per reservation for the duration of the conference.

RATE:

Rate per person in single room US\$ 750 Rate for two people in a double room: US\$ 1,000

Rate includes:

1 overnight on bed & breakfast basis at the Dan Panorama Hotel, Tel Aviv 2 overnights including dinner, bed & breakfast at Kfar Giladi, Upper Galilee Touring in an air-conditioned tourist coach including a guiding by the organizer and local experts.

Entrance fees as per itinerary

REGISTRATION

For further details regarding submissions of abstracts, registration for preconference field trip and IGU Regional Conference 2010 please visit the conference website: www.igu2010.com, or by contacting the conference secretariat:

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