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## Call for Bid of the 3rd Digital Earth Summit, 2010

Digital Earth Summit is an important event of the International Society for Digital Earth, which was commenced in 2006 in Auckland, New Zealand, with theme “Digital Earth Summit on Sustainability”. At this summit, the former Premier of the New Zealand, the right honourable Helen Clark delivered an opening address to more than 300 participants. And the second one was held in Potsdam, Germany in 2008, with the theme of “Digital Earth Summit- Geomatics: Tools for Global Change Research”.

In view of the growing interests on digital earth and of the sustaining continuation of the Digital Earth Summit in the world, the International Society for Digital Earth here announces a public call for a bid to host the 3rd International Summit on Digital Earth in 2010. All interesting organizations wishing to respond this open call should submit their bid proposals to the ISDE secretariat with an email to [wcl@ceode.ac.cn](mailto:wcl@ceode.ac.cn) no later than August 15, 2009. The formal application for hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Digital Earth Summit should be made at the Executive Committee meeting of the International Society for Digital Earth during the 6<sup>th</sup> ISDE, which will be held from Sept. 9-12, 2009 in Beijing.

Digital Earth is a virtual representation of our planet. In the past ten years, we have seen the growing technological advancement of digital earth, and also the in-depth understanding to the concept and framework of digital earth. We expect the follow up Digital Earth Summit will focus on a specific theme on digital earth, including the fields such as geospatial information science in relation to earth system sciences, advanced earth observing system, virtual reality and visualization, high-performance computation and simulation, geospatial data infrastructure, integrated geo-informatics technology, spatial data analysis and management. The purpose of holding the subsequent symposium is to promote international cooperation on Digital Earth, and enable Digital Earth technologies to play key roles in, *inter alia*, economic and socially-sustainable development, as well as in improving our better understanding to the planet earth and our living styles.

## **The bid should**

- provide names of main organiser and tentative (around three definite) members of local committee
- give information about approximate time and place, and some info about the pros and cons of choice of time/place, activities of organizing international conferences in the past.
- provide information about the number of participants expected, and highlighting any special attractions to hold the 3<sup>rd</sup> Digital Earth Summit in your country.

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- give some information about financial arrangements, such as registration fees, exhibitors, sponsors.

The bid should be sent to

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