



Newsletter
2026/2 (April 2026)

2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of IGRSM

The 2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of IGRSM will be held as follows:

- Date : 28 April 2026 (Tuesday)
- Time : 5.00 - 7.00 pm
- Venue : Auditorium Jurutera Radin Umar, Administration Block, Faculty of Engineering, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Serdang, Selangor

We look forward to greeting IGRSM members at this pivotal gathering and collaborate toward a brighter future in geospatial and remote sensing. Your presence is invaluable to us.

IGRSM Talk 2026/2

IGRSM Talk 2026/2 will be held on 28 April 2026 (Tuesday), 2.00 - 4.30 pm at Auditorium Jurutera Radin Umar, Administration Block, Faculty of Engineering, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Serdang, Selangor, with presentations on:

- *From Invisible to Inferred: Integrating Geospatial Intelligence with Infrastructure Sensing* by Prof. Ir. Dr. Hisham Mohamad, Director, Institute of Sustainable Living, Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP)
- *Mapping the Rivers of Sarawak: How Geospatial Tools Transform Environmental Decision-Making* by Gs. Ts. Jaclyna Ang Chia Yee, Project Manager, Jurutera Adda Sdn. Bhd.

Further details on the talk are available at: <https://shorturl.at/sxOI6>

13th IGRSM International Conference and Exhibition on Geospatial & Remote Sensing (IGRSM 2026)

IGRSM 2026 will be held on 5 - 6 August 2026 at Berjaya Times Square Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The conference, with the theme *Geospatial Intelligence for a Sustainable Future*, is aimed at disseminating knowledge and sharing expertise and experiences in geospatial sciences in all aspects of applications. It also aims to build linkages between local and international professionals in this field with industries. Further details on the conference are available at <https://conferences.igrsm.org/igrsmc2026>

The organising committee of the conference especially requests for high quality submissions in areas related to geospatial science and technology. All accepted papers will be published as book chapters (Scopus-indexed) under Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) Press.

Acceptance for oral / poster presentations in the conference will be based on abstract acceptance. However, only full papers that have been accepted by the reviewers will be published in the conference proceedings.

Update on High Court Hearing Concerning the Judicial Review of the Licensed Land Surveyors (Amendment) Act 2024

In regard to the High Court hearing scheduled for 12 February 2026 in relation to the judicial review on the Licensed Land Surveyors (Amendment) Act 2024, we wish to provide the following update.

The hearing on that date was scheduled for the Court's consideration of the following matters:

- The Respondents' application to strike out the judicial review.
- IGRSM's application for a stay of enforcement of the Amendment Act, to be heard subject to the Court's decision on the striking out application.

We wish to inform that, due to unavoidable circumstances, the hearing fixed for 12 February 2026 has been postponed and rescheduled to 5 May 2026.

To recap, our stay application seeks to prevent the enforcement of the Licensed Land Surveyors (Amendment) Act 2024, not just for IGRSM members, but in the broader interest of all affected professionals across various sectors and practice settings, pending the final determination of the judicial review.

The official interim stay order granted by the High Court remains in effect for IGRSM and its members. For reference, the stay order can be accessed at: <https://shorturl.at/TrWpY>

We thank you for your continued support and will keep you updated on each milestone in this legal journey. The Geomatics Legal Fund remains open, and every contribution is valued and appreciated.

Contributions can be made to:

- Bank: Maybank
- Account Number: 562142808476
- Account Name: Persatuan Geospasial dan Remote Sensing
- Reference: [Your Name / Organisation]

For receipts or inquiries, kindly contact us at igrsmalaysia@gmail.com.

National Agricultural and Food Engineering Convention 2026 (NAFEC 2026)

IGRSM is a supporting organiser for NAFEC 2026, which will be held on 12 - 13 May 2026 at Klana Resort, Seremban, Negeri Sembilan. This convention, with the theme *Revolutionising Field Operations: Automation, Digitalisation, AI & Future-Ready Technologies*, serves as a platform to discuss the latest research findings in agricultural and food engineering. At the same time, it will help establish collaborative networks to enhance the quality and advancement of agri-food engineering in the country.

Further details on the convention are available at: <https://nafec.msae.my/>

Japan Geoscience Union - American Geophysical Union Joint Meeting 2026 (JpGU- AGU 2026)

IGRSM is a co-convener for the session on *Satellites, Societies and Sustainability* at JpGU-AGU 2026, which will be held from 24 - 29 May 2026 at Makuhari Messe, Chiba, Japan. The meeting provides a collaborative platform for global scientists, researchers and students to present and discuss the latest developments in geosciences across a wide range of disciplines, including earth science, climate change, geophysics and environmental science. Further details on the meeting are available at https://www.jpгу.org/meeting_e2026

The session on *Satellites, Societies and Sustainability* (Session U-06) will examine how space-based technologies support a resilient, equitable and sustainable future. Satellites play a critical role in planetary monitoring, understanding human impacts and enabling informed decision-

making across sectors. Contributions aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) are welcome, particularly in areas such as climate change mitigation, biodiversity conservation, food and water security, as well as disaster risk reduction. The session also encourages discussions on innovative data processing, integration with socioeconomic indicators, and broader issues of data access, ethics, digital equity and capacity building.

This session is a collaboration between members of Zayed University, Kyoto University, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), IGRSM, Hokkaido University, Philippine Space Agency, Mines and Geosciences Bureau (Philippines), as well as University of the Philippines System.

Further details on the session are available at:

https://www.jpгу.org/meeting_e2026/sessionlist_en/detail/U-06.html