“WOMEN IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SECTOR”
OVERVIEW OF THE EUROGI INITIATIVE

Monica Sebillo (EUROGI)
University of Salerno (Italy)
occasion to chair the EUROGI track at BEGEO. We chose to present one of our recent initiatives, namely, the Focus Group “Women in GI” (WiGi), part of the Policy Portfolio led by our Irish colleague, Bruce McCormack, Vice President of IRLOGI.

Hans insisted: “it was a very nice event, enabling us to have inspiring interacts. It could definitely be repeated in other member countries. AM/FM GIS Belux is very grateful to the main organizer the Belgian Mapping Agency IGN – NGI”. The WiGi group of EUROGI is led by Monica Sebillo, Professor at the University of Salerno, AM/FM Italia President, and member of EUROGI’s ExCom. Her takeaway from the very interesting sessions is that “it is important to pursue the principle of inclusiveness (of gender, skills and roles), which must always be taken into consideration in order to provoke a fundamental cultural and social change necessary for the goal of gender equality and women’s engagement”.

Although in recent years many women hold top positions, for instance in diverse NMCA, Marion Murphy, Managing Director at Mallon Technology, noted that “women are underrepresented in decision making that shapes the workplace. To attract and retain women in the GI sector, there needs to be greater visibility and representation through leadership roles”.

For Annelies Van Alphen, from Geosolution, a “team’s ability to come up with new, creative solutions can be increased by adding skilled communicators, or people with a different viewpoint. I believe that a good mix of people with different background, gender, interest... can help in building a successful GIS team. A good mix might also help in building a strong network, which also leads to new and interesting opportunities”.

This was the first of a series of events and actions, all interested women and men are invited to the Focus Group Women in GI, just contact Monica here.

Jean-Yves Pirlet
EUROGI
European Umbrella Organisation for Geographic Information

**Successful BEGEO 2020**

On 27 October 2020, AM/FM-GIS Belux participated in THE annual national GI event in Belgium, called BEGEO: The Ultimate Connection. In this troubled year, the baseline was very relevant. People need to connect and when live encounters are difficult, the online events offer an appreciable alternative, although they can of course not replace the real-life face-to-face experience.
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Goals of the WGI FG

- Firstly, by involving women from different domains, EUROGI aims to acquire knowledge from innovative as well consolidated scenarios to outline a general overview of the current context also in terms of existing good practices.

- Secondly, to develop policy positions, which can be used by EUROGI and other organisations to promote gender equality within their own organisations.

Mission of the WGI FG

Proving that gender is not an obstacle to success in GI professions, quite the contrary ....
Actions

- Meetings, webinars and other activities necessary to network and develop policies (Involvement in the Focus group is voluntary)

- A position paper oriented to a decision-maker audience
  - Its broad structure – Introduction; The Current Situation; Proposals – Vision, Principles, Policies; The Way Forward; Concluding Comments.
EUROGI Position paper: working in progress

- Focus on principles and policies
  - Education,
  - Mentorship,
  - Networking,
  - Inclusiveness,
  - Scientific research.

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A PROFESSIONAL NETWORK TO PROMOTE GENDER-EQUALITY IN THE GEOSPATIAL INDUSTRY & ACADIA

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We believe in changemakers.

Copernicus Women identifies, comprehends and raccoglie la storie delle "Donne Copernicus" nelle regioni europee.

Give women a Copernicus voice and a face.

GIS LOUNGE

Women in GIS

Web sites with informative support for women in GIS. This is the first for GIS web groups bucket list.

African Women in GIS

Women in the GIS industry.

WOMEN IN GIS

Ladies of Landsat

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5 women pioneers of the geospatial industry

While traveling to work today (March 8), as I received the first 'Women's Day' greetings, my mind started timing... I wanted to reply differently, and start a new definition of those lovely beings on Earth. Winning the race, I went by the name of Bernetta Mutheuken.

Women are shown for being fair, and the best emotional intelligence quotient that makes them work as leaders. Being an integral part of the geospatial industry, on this women's day, we could not resist acknowledging the contributions of the following 5 women geospatial champions in making the world a better place.

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