

# Celebrate the legendary leaders of the geospatial industry at GWF 2017's Hall of Fame

Geospatial Hall of Fame\_is a unique platform to celebrate and recognize the living legends of the geospatial industry.

**Noida, India** – Geospatial Media and Communications is glad to introduce the 'Geospatial Hall of Fame', a platform that celebrates and recognizes the unsurpassable legends of the geospatial industry. Ten visionary leaders, whose passion, vision, knowledge, leadership, and business acumen have brought geospatial industry to a global arena, will be felicitated and added to the 'Geospatial Hall of Fame'. The felicitation will take place on January 23, 2017, during Geospatial World Forum 2017, at Hyderabad International Convention Centre, Hyderabad, India. Suresh Prabhu, Minister of Railways, Government of India, will grace us with his presence as chief guest for the occasion.

We're recognizing ten pioneers known for their relentless leadership and innovative ideas, which ultimately changed the face of the geospatial industry. These are:

- Charles Trimble, Founder of Trimble Inc.
- Jack Dangermond, Founder of Esri
- Prof Shunji Murai, Founder of Asian Association on Remote Sensing
- KK Singh, Founder of Rolta Group
- Alain De Taeye, Founder of TeleAtlas
- Barbara J. Ryan, Secretariat Director, Group on Earth Observations
- David Schell, Founder of Open Geospatial Consortium
- Walter Scott, Founder of DigitalGlobe
- Kanwar Chadha, Founder of SiRF Technology
- Prof Michael Goodchild, Founder of UCSB Center for Spatial Studies

Introducing the platform, Sanjay Kumar, CEO, Geospatial Media and Communications, explained, "Geospatial Hall of Fame is a collective and collaborative thought by the Advisory Board of Geospatial Media and Communications. It aims to celebrate, cherish and recognize those whose have the passion, vision, knowledge, leadership, and business acumen."



"Tracing the 'Geospatial Saga', Geospatial Media and Communications is paying its gratitude to the living legends of this thriving industry. We want to felicitate the founders/innovators who laid the pillars of foundation for the geospatial industry, which is a USD 500 billion industry (globally)," he added.

Around 3000+ geospatial professionals attending Geospatial World Forum\_2017 will get a chance to witness the Geospatial Hall of Fame, and get an exclusive opportunity to meet with these pioneers. More information on this event is available at <a href="http://geospatialworldforum.org/hall-of-fame.html">http://geospatialworldforum.org/hall-of-fame.html</a>

### **About Geospatial World Forum**

Geospatial World Forum is known as the only conference covering the entire spectrum of geospatial technologies, workflows, policies and practices in one global platform. Founded in Hyderabad in 2007, the conference has travelled to Amsterdam, Geneva, Lisbon and Rotterdam. GWF is coming back to Hyderabad in 2017, and being co-hosted by Survey of India and Indian Space Research Organization. Scheduled to take place from January 23-25, 2017, the conference is expected to witness participation of 3000+ delegates from 100 countries. The event will be action packed with more than 30 thematic sessions and workshops with over 300 presentations.

#### **About Geospatial Hall of Fame**

We're celebrating individuals who represent the uniqueness, the innovativeness and the diversity of the geospatial industry. They're as iconic as they're unforgettable. In a world where location is becoming fundamental to all decision-making, these individuals have not only taken our industry to new heights, but have also made the term 'geospatial' a term of common man. They inspire us to innovate, and motivate us to work towards making the world a better place. We salute these extraordinary leaders who took the road not taken and did the impossible – took geospatial technologies out of research labs in limited sectors and introduced it into our everyday chores.

#### **About Geospatial Media and Communications**

Known for its quality publication and insightful geospatial conferences, Geospatial Media and Communications is a global organization that believes in making a difference through geospatial knowledge in world economy.

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