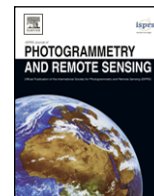


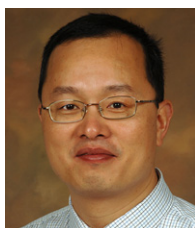
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## Publisher's Note

We are pleased to announce that as of January 2009 Professor Qihao Weng has been appointed as Associate Editor of the ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing. Professor Weng joins the Editorial Team with a wealth of research and managerial experience.



**Qihao Weng** is the Director of the Center for Urban and Environmental Change at Indiana State University, USA. He is currently visiting NASA as a senior fellow. He is also a guest/adjunct professor at Wuhan University and Beijing Normal University, and a guest research scientist at Beijing Meteorological Bureau, China. He received an A.S. in geography from Minjiang University, China, in 1984, an M.S. in physical geography from South China Normal University in 1990, an M.A. in geography from the University of Arizona in 1996, and a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Georgia in 1999. In the same year, he joined the University of Alabama as an assistant professor. Since 2001, he has been a member of the faculty in the Department of Geography, Geology, and Anthropology at Indiana State University.

His research focuses on remote sensing and GIS analysis of urban ecological and environmental systems, land-use and land-cover change, urbanization impacts, and human-environment interactions. He has worked extensively with optical and thermal remote sensing data, primarily for urban heat island study, land-cover and impervious surface mapping, urban growth detection, image analysis algorithms, and the integration with

socioeconomic characteristics, with financial support from US funding agencies that include NSF, NASA, USGS, USAID, National Geographic Society, and Indiana Dept of Natural Resources. Dr. Weng was the recipient of the Robert E. Altenhofen Memorial Scholarship Award by the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (1999) and the Best Student-Authored Paper Award by the International Geographic Information Foundation (1998). At Indiana State University, he received the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research Award in 2006, the university's highest research honor bestowed to its faculty. In May 2008, he received a prestigious NASA senior fellowship.

Dr. Weng is a national director of the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (2007–2010), and was the secretary of ISPRS Working Group VIII/1 (Human Settlement and Impact Analysis, 2004–08).

Dr. Weng is the book series editor for both *Taylor & Francis Series in Remote Sensing Applications*, and *McGraw-Hill Series in GIS&T*. He himself has edited two volumes, i.e., *Urban Remote Sensing* (2006) and *Remote Sensing of Impervious Surfaces* (2007), both by CRC Press/Taylor & Francis. He served as an Associate Editor for *Journal of Spatial Hydrology*, an official publication of the American Spatial Hydrology Union (2006–2009) and a member of the Editorial Advisory Board for a few other journals. He was a guest/co-guest editor for five special issues of the following journals: *Remote Sensing of Environment* (2006), *IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations & Remote Sensing* (2008, 2009), *Sensors* (2008), and *Asian Geographer* (2003).

Qihao Weng replaces Ling Bian who has indicated her desire to step down as Associate Editor. We would like to thank her very much for her valuable contributions to the journal and wish her all the best with her future scientific endeavours. We welcome Qihao Weng to the team and wish him every success in his new position. We trust that under the current Editorial leadership and with the current team of Editors the journal will continue to meet your expectations.