

Special Issue

Volunteered Geographic Information: Analysis, Integration, Vision, Engagement (VGI-ALIVE)

Message from the Guest Editors

The steady rise of data volume shared on already-established and new Volunteered Geographic Information (VGI) and social media platforms calls for advanced analysis methods of user contribution patterns, leads to continued challenges in data fusion, and provides also new opportunities for rapid data analysis for event detection and VGI data quality assessment. Questions regarding the future of VGI and social media platforms include the prospect of continued user growth, engagement of new user groups, further expansion of VGI to educational activities, and closing data gaps in geographically underrepresented areas. **Special issue topics include (but are not limited to):**

- Activity patterns and collaboration across multiple VGI and social media platforms
- (Quasi) real-time analysis of VGI and social media content
- Technical and legal aspects of crowd-sourced data fusion
- Opportunities, challenges, and limitations for the future of VGI
- VGI and social media analysis in geographic areas with sparse data coverage
- Novel methods of VGI data quality assessment
- Mobility patterns from VGI and social media
- User engagement and VGI education
- Closing the gaps in VGI data coverage

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