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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the winners of the 2018 Travel Awards sponsored by *Remote Sensing*.

Travel Awards were granted to **Jing Liu**, a PhD student at the University of Twente, Enschede, Netherlands and **Emma Izquierdo-Verdiguier**, a postdoctoral researcher at the Image Processing Laboratory (IPL), University of Valencia, Valencia, Spain.

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Dr. Jing Liu's research focusses on Earth Observation for forest ecology, in particular the mapping of forest structure using LiDAR and passive remote-sensing technology. Amongst other topics, Jing studied the horizontal and vertical distribution of forest bio-physical variables such as leaf area index and leaf angle distribution, clumping and terrain effects interfering with such retrievals, as well as possibilities for automated segmentation of tree crowns.

Dr. Emma Izquierdo-Verdiguier holds a PhD and is conducting research in the field of machine learning for remote-sensing data analysis, including supervised and unsupervised classification and clustering and biophysical parameter estimation. Emma is particularly interested in improving the capacity of support vector machines for classification tasks and in the use of Earth Observation data for land surface phenology.

Each award consists of **800 Swiss Francs** to attend an academic conference in 2018.

Prof. Dr. Clement Atzberger

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