

Terms of Reference

2007 GIS-Transportation Poster Competition

Geography Awareness Week

Transport 2000 Canada is hosting the GIS-Transportation Poster Competition, assisted by the Laboratory for Applied Geomatics and Geographic Information Systems Science, University of Ottawa.

AUTHORSHIP

The poster must be an original and independent product of the student making the submission.

TOPIC

Transportation must be the primary subject matter. The focus of the poster may be on walking, cycling, transit (bus, rail), auto, trucking, heavy rail, pipeline, air, water, or telecommuting, on passenger travel and/or freight movement, or a combination of modes. (For ideas, see transport2000canada.ca)

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The primary evaluation criteria are the extent to which the poster:

1. Integrates qualitative, quantitative and visualization techniques;
2. Demonstrates design and analysis and/or synthesis skills;
3. Employs elements of spatial logic and relations;
4. Explains how geographic information systems and/or geographic information system science contribute(s) to the poster content and design.

COMPETITION AWARDS

Awards will be made at the PhD, Masters, and undergraduate levels, with three prizes of \$250, \$200, and \$150 at each level. In addition, a two-year Transport 2000 Canada student membership will be awarded to each prize winner.

ELIGIBILITY

This is a new program with severe limitations on our ability to process entries, judge the entries in a timely manner, and award prizes. As a result, we must limit the 2007 Competition to Canadian university and college students. I hasten to add, however, that any organization in any country that wants to initiate a Geography Awareness Week competition in 2007 based on the GIS-Transportation Poster Competition is invited to do so.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENTRIES

The 'rules of engagement' are as limited and explicit as we can make them at this time, as our emphasis is on having fun rather than agonizing over details. If we get something wrong please tell us, and we will do better next time.

1. Send jpeg (or other image file type) of poster to laggiss@gmail.com
2. Maximum file size of 15mb and 150dpi (image resolution) should be adequate for most posters. A larger file size is acceptable, but only if the poster size condition (See 3, below) is met.
3. Poster size is set at 30 inches (width) x 20 inches (height), or the reverse if desired.
4. Do not use fonts below 14pt, and main headings should be no less than 18pt font.
5. On your poster be sure to include your name, contact information, and any references used.

DUE DATE and TIME

All submissions must be received at laggiss@gmail.com no later than 2:00PM, EST, Wednesday, November 14.

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