INTERACT GIS implementation workshop
(the information system formerly known as AbiskoGIS/NordGIS)

The work-task of INTERACT Station Managers’ Forum called INTERACT GIS hereby invites all interested parties, especially station managers, to participate in an INTERACT GIS implementation workshop to be held at INTERACT SMF III in Brixen. The workshop will last a total of 2.5 hours, and be held through the evening of March 19 – please see the official SMF III agenda for details.

At the workshop, a role-play introduction to INTERACT GIS will be performed where its main functionalities will be interactively explored. Station activities data will be used as training material, and you’ll leave the workshop with your station represented in INTERACT GIS, ready to implement INTERACT GIS as a management tool within and across stations.

The agenda
17:30 Short presentation of workshop procedures.
18:30 Dinner.
19:30 INTERACT GIS implementation workshop.
20:45 Round-up, questions, and next steps.
21.30 End of workshop.

To make the role-play introduction to INTERACT GIS realistic and efficient, participants should prepare by carefully considering the consequences of introducing a mandatory application procedure for visitors at their station. Also, with INTERACT GIS requiring systems management rather than paper-based administration, the necessary rearrangement of administrative routines should be considered. If you think that this sounds troublesome, please bear in mind that INTERACT GIS has the potential of quite dramatically increasing the cost-efficacy of station management.

The task-force of INTERACT GIS will introduce and assist you during the role-play introduction. All you need is your laptop computer, connection with Internet, and power supply.

Why is it called a “role-play”?
When we’re online with INTERACT GIS, we’ll pretend that we are public users, project workers, and station managers, while exploring the associated levels of quite different functionalities.

Need to know more or just curious
Please contact Tomas Thierfelder tomas.thierfelder@slu.se.

Register for the event
If you are interested, please send an expression of interest to Elmer Topp-Jørgensen jetj@bios.au.dk no later than March 15, 2018. If you’re unsure, it will be possible to participate with or without having expressed an interest.

Let’s INTERACT!
Kind regards; Britta Löfvenberg, Per Hörnblad, and Tomas Thierfelder

About INTERACT GIS
INTERACT GIS is an extensive tool-set for administrating station visitors and activities while seamlessly harvesting and sharing activities data. INTERACT GIS is due to constant development, with major architectural contributions derived during the early phase of INTERACT II. It is now internationally operable and covers all INTERACT stations with a digital version of the Stations’ Catalogue.

The Public interface allows any user to explore stations and their associated activities data, including publications. Stations that fit certain Å priori criteria may be searched and identified.

At the PI level, users collaborate with stations in building and maintaining their record of activities.

At the level where individual stations are operated, the management of visitors and activities is automated, with a record accumulating for dissemination, compilation, and reporting.

Once implemented, INTERACT GIS provides the administrative compatibility required for OPEN communication. In addition, by introducing shared administrative standards, it promotes cultural homogeneity across stations.

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