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Dear cartographers,

Now that spring has begun and NDVI is increasing, there is news and events coming up! A company day next Tuesday to begin with or even Knotsbal on Monday if you

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BBQ on the 13th of June.

By the way, if you are interested to make these news mails, please let me know;)

Remember: **MGI drink** every Thursday, around 17.00 pm on GAIA 3rd floor bridge.

Come plenty!

See you LiDAR, Thijs

# **↓** Upcoming Events **↓**

# Environmental sciences company day

[16/04

Once every two years, the "ES company day" is organized at Wageningen University. This day will be held on

Tuesday April 16, 2019, from 11:40 AM to 4:30 PM.



The ES company day is a day entirely devoted to companies that have a connection with the Environmental Sciences of Wageningen. On this day,

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companies and agencies give a workshop or presentation during the day. This day is free for all WUR students and only the workshops require registration! Want to know what companies will visit? Or what the exact program is of the day itself? Or where to sign up for the workshops?

Make sure to visit this link to get all your answers: <a href="https://www.stgeniusloci.nl/?page\_id=5518&lang=nl">https://www.stgeniusloci.nl/?page\_id=5518&lang=nl</a>

Also make sure to check out the facebook page of the company day (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/634220417004827">https://www.facebook.com/events/634220417004827</a>) and share it with all your friends.

If you still have questions regarding the company day, feel free to ask them either via Facebook or e-mail: <a href="mailto:companyday.es@wur.nl">companyday.es@wur.nl</a>.

Hope to see you there!

The ESG Company Day Committee 2019

# <u>TransPyratCie ultimate</u> <u>football evening</u>

[16/04



Tuesday the 16th of April the TransPyratCie will be back with another amazing activity, on this evening we will be having the ultimate football evening! So if you are a big fan of football or if you just want to have a 'gezellige' evening you're more than welcome to join us. We will start of with a football tournament at the park next to Dijkgraaf. Feel free to drop by and play some fun matches with or against your friends and show of your skills. We will start at 18:00, there is no need to subscribe for the tournament.

Champions League game Ajax – Juventus together at the sports pub. What else can you wish for as a true football fan?! Due to limited places being available at the Bongerd you will be able to reserve a spot by filling in the following form:

https://forms.gle/kM6aEhRU9EsY9Gjz5

## **Future for Nature Academy Day**

[04/05

Are you interested in conservation? Would you like to network with and learn from successful conservationists? If so, the Future For Nature Academy Day is an event you can't miss!

Each year, three young conservationists from around the world receive the prestigious Future For Nature Award for their outstanding achievements in nature conservation. Soon, the Future For Nature Academy will bring these leaders to you!

Join us on the Saturday May 4th from 12.45-19.30 at the Huygens building, Radboud University Nijmegen to meet and be inspired by the 2019 award winners.

During this event you will have the opportunity to hear the award winners stories, participate in workshops with local conservationists, network and discuss topics with all event participants. Moreover, the Day will be hosted by a mysterious but well-known Dutch TV-presenter (BN'er)!

Stay tuned for more details of the day via our website and social media accounts.

Registration is required but tickets are free and include coffee, tea, and vegetarian/vegan dinner! To register fill out the

form: <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/8RnEi7rFaBTlg6WA3">https://goo.gl/forms/8RnEi7rFaBTlg6WA3</a>. Be sure to sign up soon! Together we will lead the way to a brighter future!

# Workshop Personal branding & BBQ

[13/06

Save the date! 13<sup>th</sup> of June

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workshop and barbeque. Let's celebrate the beginning of the summer with lots lot knowledge, experiences, memories, planned holidays and fun to share.

#### **Program**

First we will start of with an interactive **workshop** on how the GIS industry looks like and how to present yourself in a distinctive manner for a (parttime) GIS job. Do you want to know more about your personality? And knowledge about the geo-industry? In this workshop we will get started with the careertest. You can fill in the test a week before (or use the results you received after the GeoBuzz busdrive). This test gives you knowledge of your strengths, skills and pitfalls. During the workshop a Voort GIS professional will tell how her/his workingday looks like. Subsequently, we will have drinks and some bites from the **barbeque**.



#### Will you be there?!

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> of June 16:00-20:00h @ the FORUM fireplace.

You can sign up for the workshop and barbeque by sending an e-mail to Jessica Vosmeer through: j.vosmeer@voort.com. Mention your phonenumber and which year of MGI you are in. The official invitation will follow soon!

So save the date and sign in!



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### **U** Other News **U**

## **Thesis & Internship opportunities**

Are you a MSc student and wondering what your options are concerning your MSc thesis and/or internship? On the website <a href="tip.wur.nl">tip.wur.nl</a> you can find MSc thesis and internship opportunities.

You can select which MSc you are interested in and whether you are interested in thesis or internship options. Important to note is that this website only works while you are on the network of the university.

Also be sure to check the education page of the website of your chair group, you can find useful documents about rules for your thesis and internship there.

## ISRIC is looking for 'student-assistants'

Some background: over the years, ISRIC has collected a large number of soil datasets with soil profile and analytical data from across the world. Many of these datasets were standardized and incorporated in our institutional soil database WoSIS. Many more, however, still lay "on the shelf". ISRIC is working towards a new version of SoilGrids before summer. To that end we want to bring all these datasets to a common standard so they can be used as input for SoilGrids. This standardisation of datasets is a huge task and at the moment several ISRIC staff are committed to this. To further facilitate and speed-up this activity, ISRIC is looking for 'student-assistenten' (approximately 5).

The students should preferably have a background in soil science and some affinity for soil data, must be able to work conscientiously and accurately, and have time to work at least three days a week for a month (April 2019). We are looking for MSc students are third-year BSc students. Students can immediately start. ISRIC offers the regular financial compensation.

Interested students can contact Eloi Ribeiro (eloi.ribeiro@isric.org)

### Job @ Resiliance BV



#### PhD @ UCLouvain



## **Knotsbalteam ArcMep**

ArcMep was put to the test!

The first match against De Zwevelknotsen ended in 4-4, so we collected our first point.

The schedule is as follows:

Mon 15 apr 18:30h 4A Tue 23 apr 21:00h 2B Thu 23 may 22:00h 4C Mon 27 may 18:00h 4A Tue 04 jun 19:00h 4C



## Interview with a GIS professional

Name: Joachim Jochemsen

Age: 25

Jobtitle: Jr. Data Consultant

Company: Fugro

Applications (GIMA)

1. What are the reasons you choose to work at this company?

One of the reasons I choose to work for Fugro is



because they are a large international company working on projects in many different countries around the world. Therefore the work I do is pretty varied, which I like a lot.

- 2. For what reason have you decided to work via Voort for this company?

  Many people that work at Fugro started there via Voort, so Voort has a lot of good contacts at Fugro. Voort also assisted me during the job application process and made it easier for me to get this job.
  - 3. Why did you choose to participate the Traineeship Geo-ICT?
    I mainly choose the traineeship because I want to extend my knowledge and technical skills for software such as FME, AutoCAD and Python.
    - 4. What do you enjoy most in your job?
      s pretty varied and the projects are all around to

I like that the work is pretty varied and the projects are all around the world. I also like the contact with the different clients and to help them get the product or service they want.

5. Where do you see yourself in 5 / 10 years?

In 5 to 10 years I see myself still working in the GIS field, hopefully still at Fugro. I hope to have improved both my technical and social skills and to deal with and solve even more complex GIS issues.

6. Could you tell something about how the contact is like with your co-workers and the overall atmosphere at the company you work?

The contact with my co-workers is very good and informal. The atmosphere at the office is pretty laid-back, while still making sure all the work gets done.

7. What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given?

The best piece of advice I have been given and that I can give to someone else is to not give up too quickly and to keep trying, even if something look too difficult or unachievable.

8. What's your hidden talent?

My hidden talent is that I am a perfectionist and am always trying to find ways to make a product or service better.

9. What are your hobby's?

10. How do you explain to a layman what GIS is?

For me, GIS is about analysing geographic data and information and making it visible on a map so that it can be communicated and shared with other people.







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