

FOSS4G 2010 presented by OSGeo Proposal

About OSGeo China

The China Chapter of OSGeo is formed by Chinese Active Users of Open Source Geospatial Software, hosted by National Remote Sensing Center of China and Chinese Academy of Science, co-sponsored by Autodesk Software (China) Co. Ltd. China. OSGeo China will strive to serve anyone interested in Open Source GIS and related issues, and to cover all the activities associated with Open Source GIS in China.

Website: <http://www.osgeo.org.cn/>



Fig.1 OSGeo China Local Chapter Website

About LREIS

State Key Lab of Resources and Environmental Information System (LREIS) was founded in 1985. It is one of the earliest state key labs and the pioneer and cradle of China's GIS. LREIS values the study on Geo-information Science's theory, methods and technology and has obtained systematic achievements in the fields of standards and criterion, software research and development. It has played an important role in guiding, demonstrating and talents training for China's GIS and Geo-information Science development.

Website: <http://www.lreis.ac.cn/eng/index.htm>

1. Reasons for hosting the conference and goals for FOSS4G.

OSGeo China keeps good relationship with Chinese GIS, LBS and remote sensing company and organization. Besides, most corporation and government agency realize the importance of open geospatial technology. That will help a lot to make a financial donation for FOSS4G2010 in China.

Initial memberships of OSGeo China come from Chinese Academy of Science as well as National Remote Sensing Center of China. We keep a close relationship with Chinese government and agency. It is also possible for us to get the official support and media support during the conference.

Moreover, during the conference, we plan to invite some experts to give lecture in universities of Beijing, which aims to let student who could not attend the conference could also get access to the latest technologies from Open Source GIS world.

2. The hosting location.

Beijing is a metropolis in northern China and the capital of the People's Republic of China. In summer 2008, the 29th Olympic Games drew worldwide attention to Beijing. As the host city of the Olympics and Paralympics, Beijing warmly welcomes its friends from around the world.



Fig.2 Olympic Opening Celebration in Beijing 2008

FOSS4G conference venue will take use of the facilities located at Beijing international conference center. Conference center set inside the Olympic park, it will provide smooth, easy and rewarding conference planning process from start to finish. For a large conference hall (with 380 seat) will cost about 3000RMB (around 500\$) for half a day. And the largest conference hall could contain about 1500 audience maximum.

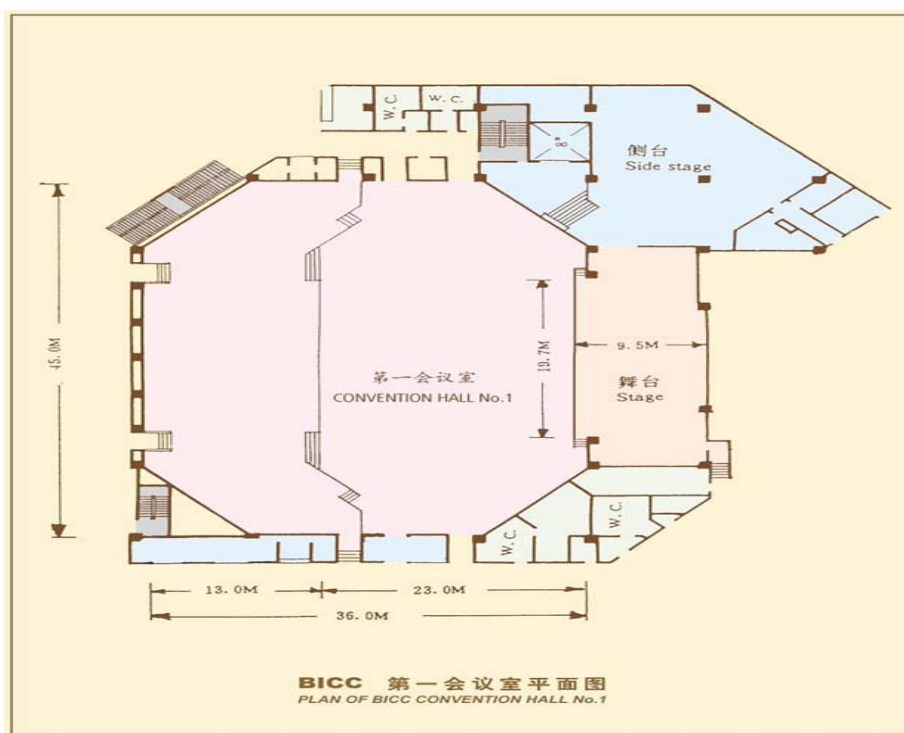


Fig.3 Conference Hall No.1 of BICC

The workshop facilities include the Projector, PC, Louder speaker, Wifi Access, Clean Water, Pencil & Paper and so on. There are plenty of rooms available for additional small business meetings and also for sponsor advertisement.

In addition, OSGeo China will organize volunteers from university to provide arrival service and bus service during the FOSS4G conference.

The accommodations is quite convenient. Hotel room rates show as follows:

Hotel Name	Category	Distance to BICC (Venue of FOSS4G)	Price (per room, per night)		Deposit
			Standard Single Room	Standard Twin Room	
Crowne Plaza Park View Wuzhou Beijing	★★★★★	100m	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 180
Celebrity International Grand Hotel	★★★★★	800m	\$ 170	\$ 170	\$ 150
Beijing Continental Grand Hotel	★★★★	50m	\$ 130	\$ 130	\$ 100

Ya Yun Cun Hotel	★★★	500m	\$ 70	\$ 70	\$ 60
Jing Min Hotel	★★★	2.5km	\$ 60	\$ 60	\$ 50
Beijing Aoya Hotel	★★★	2km	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55
Sun Hotel	★★★	2km	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 40

3. The hosting organization and local community.

Supporting local organizations will include OSGeo China, State Key Lab of Resources and Environmental Information System, local GIS Company (SuperMap, Mapbar, MapGIS, ESRI China, AutoDesk China, Google China, etc.), and students from Chinese Academy of Science and so on.

More and more open source communities from China pay lots of attention on GIS development. FOSS4G in China will also get support from local open source communities.



Fig.4 Michael P. Gerlek from OSGeo delivers speech for Chinese students

Local organizing committee is OSGeo China, in which major member come from Institute of Geography, Chinese Academy of Science. OSGeo China will keep contact with the board and conference committees of OSGeo. And we will report the latest approach to committees termly.

4. The budget.

According to the FOSS4G budget template, detailed budget will be submitted with this proposal in Open Office format.

5. The program.

FOSS4G conference will last for 4 days. About 120 presentation sessions will be provided covering the latest development, use and deployment of open source geospatial software.

FOSS4G 2010 Presentation Blueprint

	21 Sep 2008	22 Sep 2008	23 Sep 2008	24 Sep 2008	25 Sep 2008	26 Sep 2008			
	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>			
8:30	Registration	Opening Ceremony	Lecture: Keynote One	Lecture: Keynote One	Lecture: Keynote One	Lecture: Keynote One			
9:20		Lecture: Keynote One <i>By</i>	Lecture: Keynote Two <i>By</i>				<i>Keynote One</i>	<i>Keynote One</i>	<i>Keynote One</i>
10:00				<i>coffee break</i>	<i>coffee break</i>	<i>coffee break</i>			
10:30		<i>coffee break</i>	<i>coffee break</i>	Lecture: Keynote Two	Lecture: Keynote Two	Lecture: Keynote Two			
11:00		Lecture: Keynote Two <i>By</i>	Lecture: Keynote Three <i>By</i>				<i>Keynote Two</i>	<i>Keynote Two</i>	<i>Keynote Two</i>
11:30									
12:00									
12:30			<i>lunch</i>	<i>lunch</i>	<i>lunch</i>	<i>lunch</i>	<i>lunch</i>		
14:00			Lecture: By	Lecture: By	Hand on Labs Technical visit	Practical aspects	Unconference Session		
						<i>coffee break</i>		<i>coffee break</i>	
15:30			<i>coffee break</i>	<i>coffee break</i>					
16:00			Practical aspects:	Practical aspects:		Panel discussion	Closing Ceremony		
17:30									
18:00		Supper	Reception party	<i>Supper</i>	<i>Supper</i>	<i>Supper</i>	<i>Supper</i>		
20:00	<i>Birds of Feather</i>			<i>Birds of Feather</i>	Hand on Labs	Cocktail Party			
21:00									

Theory	Practice	Excursions	Committee	Unconference	Social events
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Besides General Presentations, FOSS4G conference plans to contain five tracks include Web based GIS, Desktop GIS, Hands on Labs, GIS Library and Best Practice of FOSS GIS. Workshop activities, BOF group and unconference discuss will also be provided during the FOSS4G conference. About 10 workshop and user group activities will be organized. Detailed content will be confirmed under discussion of OSGeo China.

Technical Visit venue will include Institute of Geography and Nature Resource Research, Institute of Remote Sensing Applications, National Remote Sensing Center of China, National Geomatics Center of China, Beijing Normal University etc.

Autumn is the best season of Beijing. It will be the best choice in September 2010 to hold the conference. The temperature at that time is fit for the outdoor activities. A T-shirt and a little jacket will be fit for the autumn of Beijing. The exact date is adjustable according to the suggestion of OSGeo committee.

Professional conference organizing service is optional. OSGeo China will contact local university to recruit volunteers among postgraduate students to assist FOSS4G conference.

We believe that, with the support from the Chinese government and active users of open source geospatial software. OSGeo China local chapter is fully capable of making the FOSS4G 2010 of one of the most successful events in the history of OSGeo.

We are looking forward to meeting you at FOSS4G conference in Beijing.

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