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It is a pleasure to greet you on behalf of the International Geographical Union (IGU) and we are pleased to convey fraternal greetings of the 98 member countries of the UGI and its 36 thematic working committees. The UGI is a body attached to the International Social Science Council (ISSC) and the International Council for Science (ICSU), which are advisory bodies of UNESCO.

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Within our activities this popular science in geotechnologies and innovation and therefore we have promoted the creation of Chapter - Peru of the Open Source Geospatial Foundation and have organized local events FOSS4G since October 2014 and now we have the FOSS4G 2016 -Perú. In 2017 we will organize the FOSS4G - LATAM.

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The objective of the Free Software Geospatial Conference - FOSS4G Peru 2018, is to consolidate the Peruvian and Latin American Geomatics in their academic relationship, technical, research, production and services with information technology from different fields of knowledge, from a critical and reflective perspective on environmental problems, urban, rural spaces, risk management, climate change and the use of geotechnologies as Geomatics-Geotechnologies-Geotics- GeoWeb - GeoApps and its application in public policies and access information Peruvian citizens that are essential for the strategic planning of social, economic development and the pursuit of productive diversity with added value to our raw materials so we lack of today.

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The International Geographical Union - Peru has the experience of organizing national and international events geography and Geotechnologies since 2013, it has 28 members who are professionals, teachers and scholars from different areas of geomatics and geographic knowledge.

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- Our application is the city of Lima to host the 2018 FOSS4G for the following reasons:
- Peru is a steadily growing economy since 2003 and plans to join the OECD in 2021.
- Lima's air hub in South America because of its geographical position and has the largest air connectivity to Latin America and other continents.
- The South American community sees geotechnological with much appreciation that for the first time make a FOSS4G in Latin America.
- We have the support of international networks of geo and geomatics as SELPER- The Latin American Society of Specialists Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Systems,

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