

# NoRSC '19

## Nordic Remote Sensing Conference 2019 17-19 September

DATA ACQUISITION, ALGORITHMS AND APPLICATIONS

### PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

#### 17 September 2019

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| 13:00 | PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS   |
|       | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <b>WORKSHOP 1:</b><br/>DEEP LEARNING FOR REMOTE SENSING         </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <b>WORKSHOP 2:</b><br/>BRIDGING EARTH OBSERVATION DATA AND MACHINE LEARNING IN PYTHON         </div> |
| 17:00 | REGISTRATION   |
| 17:30 | REGISTRATION   |
| 18:00 | ICEBREAKER RECEPTION<br>AIAS HALL  |

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| 08:30 | REGISTRATION                         |
| 09:00 | WELCOME                              |
| 09:15 | SESSION I                            |
| 10:15 | COFFEE BREAK                         |
| 10:45 | KEYNOTE 1                            |
| 11:30 | SESSION II                           |
| 12:15 | LUNCH                                |
|       | POSTER SESSION A                     |
| 13:45 | SESSION III                          |
| 15:00 | COFFEE BREAK                         |
| 15:30 | KEYNOTE 2                            |
| 16:15 | SESSION IV                           |
| 17:00 | WALK TO ARoS                         |
| 17:45 | GUIDED TOUR &                        |
| 18:30 | CONFERENCE DINNER<br>ARoS ART MUSEUM |

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| 09:00 | SESSION V          |
| 09:45 | KEYNOTE 3          |
| 10:30 | COFFEE BREAK       |
| 11:00 | SESSION VI         |
| 12:15 | LUNCH              |
|       | POSTER SESSION B   |
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| 14:45 | COFFEE BREAK       |
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## 17 September 2019

13:00 - 17:00 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

### Workshop 1: Deep Learning for Remote Sensing

Sylvain Lobry & Diego Marcos | Laboratory of Geo-information Science and Remote Sensing, Wageningen University and Research, Netherlands

Ahmed Samy Nassar | IRISA, University of Southern Brittany, France & EcoVision Lab, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland

### Workshop 2: Bridging Earth Observation data and Machine Learning in Python

Matej Batič & Devis Peressutti | Sinergise Ltd., Ljubljana, Slovenia

17:30 - 18:00 REGISTRATION

18:00 - 20:00 ICEBREAKER RECEPTION

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08:30 - 09:00 REGISTRATION & COFFEE

09:00 - 09:15 WELCOME | Morten Kyndrup, Director (AIAS) & Organisers | Aarhus University, Denmark

09:15 - 10:15 SESSION I

09:15 - 09:30 **Spring bloom dynamics as predicted by winds and remote sensing**

Frode B Vikebø<sup>1,2\*</sup>, Kjersti Opstad Strand<sup>1,2</sup>, Svein Sundby<sup>1</sup> | 1| Institute of Marine Research, PO Box 1870 Nordnes, 5817 Bergen, Norway | 2| Bjerknes Centre of Climate Research, Bergen, Norway

09:30 - 09:45 **Improved interpolation scheme for remotely sensed ice sheet elevation changes - a case study in northeast Greenland**

Louise Sandberg Sørensen, Natalia Havelund Andersen, Sebastian B. Simonsen | Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark

09:45 - 10:00 **Automated mapping of cultural heritage in Norway from airborne lidar data using faster-RCNN**

Øivind Due Trier | Norwegian Computing Center, Norway

10:00 - 10:15 **Upscaling vegetation structure from terrestrial laser scanning using satellite imagery**

Robert Buitenwerf, Jens-Christian Svenning | Aarhus University, Denmark

10:15 - 10:45 COFFEE BREAK

10:45 - 11:30 KEYNOTE 1

### MARK DRINKWATER

Head, Earth and Mission Science Division (EOP-SM), European Space Agency, European Space, Research & Technology Centre (ESTEC), Noordwijk, The Netherlands

TITLE **ESA Earth Observation: Overview & Future Plans**

11:30 - 12:15 SESSION II

11:30 - 11:45 **Drone data reveals fine-scale variation of tundra greenness and phenology that is missed by satellite and ground-based monitoring**

Jakob J. Assmann<sup>1,2</sup>, Isla H. Myers-Smith<sup>1</sup>, Andrew M. Cunliffe<sup>1,3</sup>, Jeffrey T. Kerby<sup>4</sup> | 1| Aarhus University, Denmark | 2| The University of Edinburgh, UK | 3| University of Exeter, UK | 4| Dartmouth College, USA

11:45 - 12:00 **Calibrating temporally transferred models in forest inventory**

Ana Maria de Lera Garrido, Ole Martin Bollandsås, Hans Ole Ørka, Terje Gobakken | Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU), Norway

12:00 - 12:15 **Visual Question Answering from Remote Sensing Images**

Sylvain Lobry, Jesse Murray, Diego Marcos, Devis Tuia | Wageningen University and Research, The Netherlands

12:15 - 13:45 LUNCH

12:45 - 13:45 POSTER SESSION A



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- 13:45 - 15:00** SESSION III
- 13:45 - 14:00 **Inorganic Suspended Matter as an indicator of terrestrial influence in Baltic Sea coastal areas – algorithm development, validation and ecological relevance**  
Susanne Kratzer<sup>1</sup>, Dmytro Kyrlyuk<sup>1</sup>, Carsten Brockmann<sup>2</sup> | 1| Stockholm University, Sweden | 2| Brockmann Consult, GmbH, Germany
- 14:00 - 14:15 **Agricultural land cover classification with deep learning**  
Joachim Nyborg<sup>1,2</sup>, Ira Assent<sup>1</sup> | 1| FieldSense A/S | 2| Aarhus University, Denmark
- 14:15 - 14:30 **Simulative assessment of model assisted and hybrid estimation of change using repeated ALS sampling**  
Victor F. Strîmbu<sup>1</sup>, Liviu T. Ene<sup>2</sup>, Terje Gobakken<sup>1</sup>, Erik Næsset<sup>1</sup> | 1| Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU), Norway | 2| Forestry Research Institute of Sweden
- 14:30 - 14:45 **The use of multi-scale and multi-source remote sensing dataset for geological mapping in the Arctic terrain**  
Sara Salehi | Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland (GEUS), Denmark
- 14:45 - 15:00 **Change detection in polarimetric synthetic aperture radar data**  
Allan A. Nielsen<sup>1</sup>, Henning Skriver<sup>1</sup>, Knut Conradsen<sup>1</sup> and Morton J. Canty<sup>2</sup> | 1| Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark | 2| (Formerly) Research Center Jülich, Germany
- 15:00 - 15:30** COFFEE BREAK
- 15:30 - 16:15** KEYNOTE 2
- SAMANTHA LAVENDER**  
Managing Director, Pixalytics & Honorary Reader in Geomatics, Faculty of Science and Engineering, University of Plymouth, UK
- TITLE **Developing Marine Applications: From SeaWiFS to the Copernicus Sentinel Missions**
- 16:15 - 17:15** SESSION IV
- 16:15 - 16:30 **Greenland surface elevation change from 25+ years of satellite radar altimetry data**  
Sebastian B. Simonsen, Louise Sandberg Sørensen | Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark
- 16:30 - 16:45 **Earth Observation for coastal monitoring**  
Lars Boye Hansen, Mikkel Lydholm Rasmussen, Lisbeth Tangaa Nielsen | DHI GRAS A/S, Denmark
- 16:45 - 17:00 **A global quantitative analysis of the link between forest structure and land surface albedo**  
Sara Alibakhshi<sup>1</sup>, Babak Naimi<sup>2</sup>, Aarne Hovi<sup>1</sup>, Thomas Crowther<sup>3</sup>, Miina Rautiainen<sup>1</sup> | 1| Aalto University, Finland | 2| University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands | 3| ETH Zürich, Switzerland
- 17:45 - 18:30** GUIDED TOUR | AROS Art Museum
- 18:30 - 21:00** CONFERENCE DINNER | AROS Allé 2, 8000 Aarhus C

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- 09:00 - 09:45** SESSION V
- 09:00 - 09:15 **Remote sensing of snow properties with Sentinel-3**  
Rune Solberg, Øivind Due Trier, Øystein Rudjord | Norwegian Computing Center, Norway
- 09:15 - 09:30 **Remote sensing benchmark dataset of Hekla volcano, Iceland**  
Gro B. M. Pedersen<sup>1</sup>, Olga K. Vilmundardóttir<sup>1</sup>, Fadi Kizel<sup>1,2</sup>, Joaquín M.C. Belart<sup>3,3</sup>, Nicola Falco<sup>4</sup>, Friðþór S. Sigurmundsson<sup>1</sup>, Rose Rustowicz<sup>5</sup>, Guðrún Gísladóttir<sup>1</sup>, Jón A. Benediktsson<sup>1</sup> | 1| University of Iceland, Iceland | 2| Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Israel | 3| Université de Toulouse, France | 4| Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, USA | 5| Stanford University, USA
- 09:30 - 09:45 **Multi-temporal land cover mapping using recurrent neural network**  
Nima Teimouri, Jørgensen R.N. | Aarhus University, Denmark



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09:45 - 10:30

KEYNOTE 3

**LORENZO BRUZZONE**

Director, Remote Sensing Laboratory & Professor of Telecommunications, Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science, University of Trento, Italy

TITLE **Challenges of remote sensing data analysis in the artificial intelligence era**

10:30 - 11:00

COFFEE BREAK

11:00 - 12:15

SESSION VI

11:00 - 11:15

**Changing urban density of Denmark and Taiwan in the past 20 years over horizontal and vertical scales**

Tzu-Hsin Karen Chen<sup>1</sup>, Clive E. Sabel<sup>1</sup>, Alexander V. Prishchepov<sup>2</sup> | 1| Aarhus University-Roskilde, Denmark | 2| University of Copenhagen, Denmark

11:15 - 11:30

**Long term interferometric temporal coherence of peatland**

Tauri Tampuu, Jaan Praks | 1| University of Tartu, Estonia | 2| Aalto University, Finland

11:30 - 11:45

**Predicting tree-level quantitative attributes for the Norway spruce breeding program in Sweden using drone remote sensing**

Liviu Theodor Ene, Mateusz Liziniewicz, Johan Malm | Skogforsk- The Forestry Research Institute of Sweden, Sweden

11:45 - 12:00

**Usages of UAV and multispectral images in the Danish field trial experiments**

Mette Langgaard Jensen | SEGES, Denmark

12:00 - 12:15

**Understanding Arctic cold seep and their impacts on the larger Arctic marine ecosystem through remote technology**

Arunima Sen | UiT The Arctic University of Norway in Tromsø, Norway

12:15 - 13:30

LUNCH

12:45 - 13:30

POSTER SESSION B

13:30 - 14:45

SESSION VII

13:30 - 13:45

**Remote sensing of tailings storage facilities**

Malte Vøge, Regula Frauenfelder, Øyvind Torgesrud | Norwegian Geotechnical Institute, Norway

13:45 - 14:00

**Surveying seals with spectral aerial imagery**

Eric Jürgen Haase | Aarhus University–Risø, Denmark

14:00 - 14:15

**The Norwegian Public National Ground Motion Service - InSAR.no**

John F. Dehls<sup>1</sup>, Yngvar Larsen<sup>2</sup>, Petar Marinkovic<sup>3</sup>, Tom Rune Lauknes<sup>2</sup>, Dag Anders Moldestad<sup>4</sup>, Marie Bredal<sup>1</sup>, Reginald Hermanns<sup>1</sup> | 1| Geological Survey of Norway | 2| NORCE | 3| PPO.labs | 4| Norwegian Space Agency, Norway

14:15 - 14:30

**Ice Maps - Data Fusion of Sentinel 1 and AMSR2 For Sea Ice Segmentation**

David Malmgren-Hansen, Allan Aasbjerg Nielsen, Henning Skriver, Leif Toudal Pedersen | Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark

14:30 - 14:45

**Predicting clover proportion in Danish grasslands using Sentinel 2 satellite data: combining functional principal components and generalized additive models**

Philipp Trénel<sup>1</sup>, Torben Spanggaard Frandsen<sup>2</sup>, Lars Byrdal Kjær<sup>1</sup> | 1| Technological Institute, Denmark | 2| SEGES, Denmark

14:45 - 15:15

COFFEE BREAK



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### 15:15 - 16:15 SESSION VIII

- 15:15 - 15:30 **Area-based mapping of site index in operational forest inventories using bitemporal airborne laser scanner data**  
Lennart Noordermeer, Ole Martin Bollandsås, Terje Gobakken, Erik Næsset | Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU), Denmark
- 15:30 - 15:45 **High resolution mapping on vegetation distribution in Greater Maasai Mara Ecosystem and its environmental drivers**  
Wang Li, Robert Buitenwerf, Michael Munk, Katja Jäkke, Jens-Christian Svenning | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 15:45 - 16:00 **Which set of LiDAR metrics reveals fine-scale habitat structures in wetlands?**  
Zsófia Koma, Arie C. Seijmonsbergen, W. Daniel Kissling | The University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 16:00 - 16:15 **Enhancing water use efficiency using machine learning**  
Mads Olander Rasmussen, Radoslaw Marcin Guzinski | DHI GRAS A/S, Denmark

### 16:15 - 16:30 CONFERENCE CLOSURE

## POSTER SESSIONS

### 12:45 - 13:45 18 SEPTEMBER 2019 | POSTER SESSION A

- 1A **Detecting pioneer trees in the forest-tundra ecotone by digital aerial photogrammetry** | Ida M. Mienna, Steinar G. Stensli, Marie-Claude Jutras-Perreault, Ole Martin Bollandsås | Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU), Norway
- 2A **Successful semi-automatic count of gulls in a large breeding colony** | Alejandro Corregidor Castro, Thomas Eske Holm, Thomas Bregnballe | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 3A **Satellites reveal Nitrogen loss** | Ashley Montcalm, Nanna Hellum Kristensen | SEGES, Denmark
- 4A **Combining LiDAR and citizen science to unravel the effects of land-use and climate change on Denmark's avifauna** | Charlie Davison, Naia Morueta-Holme, Carsten Rahbek | University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- 5A **Contextual mapping of soil organic carbon and clay content at field extent** | A. Beucher, Y. Peng, M. H. Greve | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 6A **High precision urban mapping based on machine learning combining airborne lidar and hyperspectral data** | Dagrund Aarsten, Vetle Jonassen | Terratec AS, Norway
- 7A **Lidar nDSM expression of forest structure patterns for the Danish Biodiversity Map** | Geoff Groom | Aarhus University-Kalø, Denmark
- 8A **Automated mapping of buildings** | Joachim Höhle | Aalborg University, Denmark
- 9A **Using machine learning for mapping the distribution of acid sulfate soils in northern Sweden** | Marina Becher, Christian Öhring, Gustav Sohlenius | Geological Survey of Sweden, Sweden
- 10A **Decision Support App for PGR use in winter wheat and winter rye includes satellite images** | M.D. Thorsted, J.E. Jensen, C.B. Møller, R. Hørfarter, L.B. Eriksen | SEGES, Denmark
- 11A **Linking structural variables from terrestrial laser scanning with spectral features from World View3 satellite imagery – mapping freestanding trees in Maasai Mara** | Michael Munk | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 12A **Data fusion for precision agriculture** | Peter Fogh | SEGES, Denmark
- 13A **Denmark seen from the air - a unique open-data repository for historical aerial imagery** | Stig Roar Svenningsen, Mette Colding Dahl | Royal Danish Library-Special Collections, Denmark
- 14A **Combining Sentinel-1 and Sentinel-2 for mapping of Young Forest Stands in Norway** | Vahid Akbari, Svein Solberg | Norwegian Institute of Bioeconomy Research, Norway
- 15A **3D web visualization of elevation models, oblique images, and city models** | Thomas Kjeldsen, Karsten Noe | The Alexandra Institute, Denmark

12:45 - 13:30

19 SEPTEMBER 2019 | POSTER SESSION B

- 1B **Mapping and detecting structural changes in a *Cytisus scoparius* population using UAS-LiDAR** | Bjarke Madsen<sup>1</sup>, Urs A. Treier<sup>1</sup>, András Zlinszky<sup>1,2</sup>, Arko Lucieer<sup>3</sup>, Signe Normand<sup>1</sup> | 1| Aarhus University, Denmark | 2| Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary | 3| University of Tasmania, Australia
- 2B **Using UAVs for morphometric measurements of harbour porpoises (*Phocoena phocoena*)** | Emilie Nicoline Stepien<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Morten Tange Olsen<sup>2</sup>, Henrik Dyrberg Egemose<sup>1</sup>, Henrik Skov Midtby<sup>1</sup>, Sara Torres Ortiz<sup>1</sup>, Jakob Højer Kristensen<sup>4</sup>, Magnus Wahlberg<sup>1</sup> | 1| University of Southern Denmark, Denmark | 2| University of Copenhagen, Denmark | 3| Aarhus University, Denmark | 4| Fjord&Bælt, Denmark
- 3B **From geo-spatial datasets to urban tree inventories** | Cici Alexander | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 4B **An inventory of ice-marginal lakes in Greenland** | Eva Mätzler<sup>1</sup>, Mikkel Høegh Bojesen<sup>1</sup>, Kirsty Langley<sup>1</sup>, Alexandra Messerli<sup>1</sup>, Andreas Wiesmann<sup>2</sup>, Tazio Strozzi<sup>2</sup>, Maurizio Santoro<sup>2</sup>, Andreas Käbb<sup>3</sup>, Frank Paul<sup>4</sup> | 1| Asiaq Greenland Survey | 2| Gamma Remote Sensing, Switzerland | 3| University of Oslo, Norway | 4| University of Zürich, Switzerland
- 5B **Object-based frame-wise image analysis of near-surface remote sensing time-lapse image data for study of Arctic plant phenology** | Geoff Groom, Toke T. Høye | Aarhus University-Kalø, Denmark
- 6B **Assessment of different DEMs in SAR-based forest monitoring to account for topographic effects** | Ignacio Borlaf Mena<sup>1,2</sup>, Mihai Andrei Tanase<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Ovidiu Badea<sup>1,4</sup>, Francisco Javier Salas Rey<sup>2</sup> | 1| National Institute for Research and Development in Forestry "Marin Drăcea", Romania | 2| University of Alcalá, Spain | 3| University of Melbourne, Australia | 4| "Transilvania" University of Braşov, Romania
- 7B **Estimating daily PM2.5 using MAIAC AOD – A case study of Copenhagen, Denmark** | Jibrán Khan<sup>1</sup>, Pawan Gupta<sup>2,3</sup> | 1| Aarhus University-Roskilde, Denmark | 2| Universities Space Research Association (USRA), United States | 3| NASA Marshall Space Flight Center, United States
- 8B **Analysis of open remote sensing data using deep learning techniques** | Karsten Noe<sup>1</sup>, Thomas Kjeldsen<sup>1</sup>, Lee Lassen<sup>1</sup>, Morten Henriksen Birk<sup>2</sup>, Henrik Pedersen<sup>1</sup> | 1| The Alexandra Institute, Denmark | 2| FieldSense A/S, Denmark
- 9B **Estimation of potato biomass by using high-resolution small unmanned aerial vehicle and Sentinel 2 multispectral imagery** | Junxiang Peng, Kiril Manevski, Kirsten Kørup, René Larsen, Mathias Neumann Andersen | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 10B **Associations between natural surroundings in childhood and schizophrenia later in life – A remote sensing approach to human health** | Kristine Engemann, Jens-Christian Svenning, Lars Arge, Oleguer Plana-Ripoll, Constantinos Tsirogiannis, Preben Bo Mortensen, Carsten Bøcker Pedersen | Aarhus University, Denmark
- 11B **Site index predictions for precision forest planting combining harvester data and auxiliaries derived from airborne laser scanning** | Rasmus Sørensen, Liviu Theodor Ene, Jon Söderberg, Lars Wilhelmsson | Skogforsk- The Forestry Research Institute of Sweden, Sweden
- 12B **Estimation of drought stress in winter wheat using UAV thermal images** | Vita Antoniuk, Junxiang Peng, Kiril Manevski, Kirsten Kørup, René Larsen, Mathias Neumann Andersen | Aarhus University, Denmark

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