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New General Manager for Maptek EMEA and CIS operations

Maptek is pleased to announce that **James Moncrieff** has been appointed **General Manager** to lead our operations across Europe, Middle East, North Africa and CIS. As part of the Maptek family for 13 years, Moncrieff was until recently managing the Maptek I-Site reseller distribution network in Asia from the Adelaide office. Moncrieff is a technical expert on laser scanning and its diverse range of applications and has worked with a long list of underground and open pit clients to help them gain valuable insights and efficiencies from their surveying, geotechnical and mine modelling data. With his technical expertise and a passion for nurturing long-lasting client relationships, Moncrieff is well-placed to deliver on Maptek's ambitious plans for growth in the region. James Moncrieff commented, "I'm thrilled to be leading such a talented group of passionate mining professionals with experience from around the world." www.maptek.com

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Aligned Assets announce new owners

Andy Hird and **Dinesh Thanigasalam** have announced they are the new majority shareholders



of UK based Address Management experts **Aligned Assets** following a successful Management Buyout. Both Andy & Dinesh are well known within the industry due to their long term association with Aligned Assets. Dinesh joined Aligned Assets in 2008 and became Managing Director between 2009 and 2012 before moving into a product manager and non-executive director role for the company. Andy joined the team in 2002 and was promoted to Managing Director in 2012. Under the MBO Andy's role remains unchanged but Dinesh will become Commercial Director with a view to expanding the business into the international market as well as growth across the public sector in the UK. Founded by the outgoing owners **Carl Nunn** and **Phil Gee**, Aligned Assets have been developing software solutions for local authorities, emergency services and the commercial sector within the UK. www.aligned-assets.co.uk

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Michael Gerhards is new Head of CyberSecurity Germany

Michael Gerhards, 57, is the new **Head of CyberSecurity Germany** at **Airbus**. He succeeds Steve Rymell, who had led German operations on an interim basis. "In Michael Gerhards, we are happy to have found a general manager with international experience, who is highly competent in developing new business areas, strategies and portfolios," said **Phil Jones**, **Chief Operating Officer and Head of Countries and Operations at Airbus CyberSecurity**. "Based on its experience in the field of cyber security, Airbus has developed competences with which we can protect the company and our customers from the growing threat of cyber attacks," said Michael Gerhards. "Being able to contribute to the continued development of our products and services and driving our rapid growth with the German team is an exciting task." Gerhards comes from Atos Information Technologies, where he was Sales Director of the Big Data & Security division in Germany. www.airbusdefenceandspace.com



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Esri President Jack Dangermond Talks at ASPRS IGTF 2017

Esri's founder and president, **Jack Dangermond**, was the keynote speaker at the **American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS) Imaging & Geospatial Technology Forum (IGTF) 2017** annual conference, held in March at the Marriott Waterfront, in Baltimore, Maryland. Dangermond's talk touched on the importance of The Science of Where and imagery data in meeting the challenges of a complex world in which location presents a common visual context for us all. Esri also hosted a booth and hands-on workshops, giving attendees a chance to work with **Esri's Drone2Map** for ArcGIS, which streamlines the creation of professional imagery data from drone-captured photography. Other keynote speakers from Esri were **Kurt Schwoppe**, Head of Business Development, and **Steve Snow**, Head of Mapping, Statistics, and Imagery. www.esri.com



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Fugro's McMann takes up role on British Drilling Association's Head Committee

Fugro a world leading, independent provider of geo-intelligence and asset integrity solutions has announced that **Paul McMann** has been appointed to serve as a member of the management committee of the **British Drilling Association (BDA)**. Paul McMann is a drilling and operations manager with Fugro working on geotechnical investigations throughout the UK. A geologist by profession and Fellow of the Geological Society, he has previously served on the BDA's technical and education committee as well as the safety committee. McMann, who's duties for his new role started on 4 April 2017, said: "I am delighted and honoured to take on the role and will use it to promote safer, more professional site investigations both within Fugro and the wider industry." www.fugro.com



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Shih Hsin University Winner of SuperGIS Youth Award 2017

Succeeding the great performance in 2016, the team from **Shih Hsin University** wins the champion **SuperGIS Youth Award** again in 2017. This year, SuperGIS Youth Award also attracted students with different professions to participate, including tourism, Leisure management, and logistics management. Inspired by crime mapping, the champion team introduced a project called "**Safe Taipei**," aiming to analyze the spatial relationship between crime hotspots and the factors that might reduce the crime rate like police stations, CCTV cameras, street lamps, and convenience stores. This project utilizes open data effectively and finds useful results that can contribute to the crime prevention policy in the future, winning the credits from the jury. Through the power of GIS, even a simple idea can lead to an insightful conclusion. In the future, Supergeo will continuously hold competitions to provoke geospatial thinking and promote the capability of GIS. www.supergeotek.com

