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Digpro is growing and appoints a new Marketing Manager

Digpro continues to grow in the Swedish market and has appointed **Joel Pirard** as the new **Marketing Manager** to meet the increased demand from energy and telecommunications companies among others of Digpro's leading solutions. Joel has extensive experience in sales and marketing of various IT solutions and has for the last four years been working as Key Account Manager at Digpro. Joel continues to some degree to work as Key Account Manager as well as Marketing Manager and responsible for strengthening and further develop the Digpro brand. "I am delighted of the trust I've been given in my new role. It will be exciting to lead and develop Digpro's marketing work further. We are a company with so much accumulated knowledge and experience, which we have not yet presented. This will be changed ahead", said Joel Pirard, the newly appointed Marketing Manager at Digpro. www.digpro.se



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Leica Geosystems opens nominations for Carl Pulfrich Award 2017

Leica Geosystems is calling industry related professionals to submit their nominations for this year's **Carl Pulfrich Award**, the prestigious industry honour that recognises advancements in the fields of photogrammetry, remote sensing and earth imaging. Nominees will be considered on the basis of experience, activities in field of photogrammetry and remote sensing, and contributions to the advancement of all aspects of the earth imaging field. Applied work involving hardware systems, software solutions or innovative service activities will also be considered. With the Carl Pulfrich Award, Leica Geosystems continues the tradition of promoting outstanding scientific, application-oriented design and manufacturing ingenuities in the industry. **Prof. Dr.-Ing. Uwe Sörgel Chairman of the Carl Pulfrich Award Jury** said. "We are pleased to support Leica Geosystems in the recognition of significant contributions to the photogrammetry, remote sensing, and earth imaging fields the implementation of which has resulted in the advancement of Earth sciences," www.leica-geosystems.com



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Tom Gmerek Becomes Social Media Manager at Quarry One Eleven

Tom Gmerek has joined the specialist geospatial and technical marketing agency, **Quarry One Eleven** as the company's new **Social Media Manager**. Tom will build online communities for a wide range of geospatial and technical companies that will increase awareness, understanding and loyalty for their products. **Founder and CEO, Alistair Maclean** explained why Tom was the right fit for the company; "Quarry One Eleven offers our clients a unique combination of marketing expertise and geospatial industry knowledge; Tom has worked at the coal face (or rather copper in his case) for an African exploration company before he came to us. With that kind of experience, a remote sensing MSc and a great understanding of how to implement social media marketing, Tom is a great asset for our clients." **Tom Gmerek** said; "I am really excited to be joining at this period of rapid growth for the company." www.quarry-one-eleven.com



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Mike Osborne Wins AMSI Council Business Person of the Year 2017 Award

The **2017 AMSI Council Business Person of the Year** has been awarded to the **Managing Director of OceanWise, Dr. Mike Osborne**. The award was presented by **Mr Terry Sloane, Chairman of the AMSI Council of the Society of Maritime Industries** during the **Ocean Business 2017 Gala Dinner** in Southampton. The award recognizes the individual who has made a significant contribution to the business of marine science and technology. Mike is passionate about marine data and information, having spent many years tirelessly lobbying for improved access to data in Hydrographic Offices and other publicly funded bodies and elsewhere, promoting its re-use and establishing marine data as a valuable resource to the benefit of economic and socio-economic development. As such, he has contributed much to changing the way marine spatial data and information is valued and the way people use it. www.oceanwise.eu



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thinkWhere appoints Jumpstart's Brian Williamson as chair

thinkWhere has secured the services of high-growth business expert **Brian Williamson** as chair as it continues to expand its industry-leading services. The high-profile appointment is the latest initiative from the leading Geographic Information System (GIS) consultancy, which was founded in 1993 and now employs 25 people. Mr Williamson, a director and an inspirational leader of **Jumpstart**, one of the UK's most successful and innovative science and technology companies, has a solid track record of developing high-growth businesses. The award-winning entrepreneur also has a wealth of commercial SME experience and has supported and developed a number of start-up companies across the UK. He said: "I am delighted to be joining the team of a company with such great potential. The company already has a well-deserved reputation for quality work and I am excited to have the opportunity to lead and support the next stage in thinkWhere's expansion and development plans." www.thinkwhere.com



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Sir Tim Berners-Lee receives the ACM A.M. Turing Award

The **Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)**, named **Sir Tim Berners-Lee**, inventor of the Web and **Director of the World Wide Web Consortium**, as the recipient of the **2016 ACM A.M. Turing Award**. The **ACM Turing Award** is recognized as the highest distinction in Computer Science and is sometimes referred to as the "Nobel Prize of Computing." The Award is named for the British Computer Scientist **Alan Turing** who is known as the key founder of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence as well as for the development of the Turing machine, considered a model of a general purpose computer. Sir Tim is being given this award for inventing the **World Wide Web**, considered as the most influential computing innovation in history. The World Wide Web is the technical infrastructure of society and has already become the universal connectivity platform. www.acm.org

