

PEOPLE AND AWARDS

AWARD

Linda van den Brink receives OGC's 2019 Gardels Award



During the November meeting of the **Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) Technical Committee** in Toulouse, France, **Linda van den Brink** received the OGC's prestigious **Kenneth D. Gardels Award**. The Gardels Award is presented each year to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to advancing OGC's vision of using location to connect people, communities, technology, and decision making for the greater good. Linda van den Brink was awarded because of her effective coordination between the OGC and other standards and industry bodies. Linda has co-chaired the GeoSemantics Domain Working Group and has also been very active in the GML and CityGML Standards Working Groups, often identifying issues based on experience gained through standards implementations. Linda has been the primary voice in highlighting the need to better align common elements in the CityGML, InfraGML, and IndoorGML standards. www.ogc.org

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Change of management as Nortek grows and develops



After over two decades at the helm of Nortek, a specialist in oceanographic instrumentation, **Atle Lohrmann** is taking on new challenges at newly started Hefring Engineering in Boston. Nortek's new CEO, **Finn Ivar Marum** (pictured), has been entrusted with the task of ensuring Nortek's continued growth. Lohrmann has stepped aside as CEO, taking on the role of Chairman of the Board. Finn Ivar Marum was previously a Senior Partner at private equity investor HitecVision and most recently an Executive Vice President at Norfund – The Norwegian Investment Fund for Developing Countries. He has also served as Chairman of the Board at Nortek for the past seven years. www.nortekgroup.com

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Director of Marine Operations appointed by TDI-Brooks International



TDI-Brooks announces the hiring of Mr. Richard Byno III, PMP. Richard will be leading vessel operations and activities as the **Director of Marine Operations** at TDI-Brooks. Richard served in the United States Marine Corps where he was a Member of a Marine Special Operations Command team in which he performed airborne and combat dive operations, air reconnaissance, and direct action in regions of Iraq, Afghanistan and northern Africa. He received an Honorable Discharge in October of 2006. He then transitioned to serve in various aspects of the federal government, bringing over seventeen years' of critical operations experience to the TDI Management Team. Richard comes to us most recently from the Department Of Defence, where he served as a high-level strategic senior military advisor providing guidance to the Department of defence, Intelligence Community and Executive Branch. www.tdi-bi.com

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Assetino Asset Management Platform Scoops Top European Award



Assetino includes easy to use tools for collecting, recording, interrogating and analysing detailed information about the location, type and condition of virtually any asset. Offering a geospatial approach to asset management Assetino provides users with real time visibility and intelligence for a range of applications including cemetery management, waste and recycling and water and sewage. Assetino is already supporting informed decision making and improved service delivery by thousands of users within public sector organisations across Central and Eastern Europe. The **CIO Applications Top Ten Asset Management Solutions Provider 2019** was awarded to T-MAPY, the company behind Assetino, in recognition of the platform's innovation, configurability and scalability that form part of the open source solution's DNA. www.assetino.com

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MGISS Appoints Mike Cooper to Expand Geospatial Business



Mike Cooper has joined the management team at **MGISS**, a specialist in the use of geospatial technology in the utility, infrastructure and environment sectors. Joining from **Leica Geosystems**, Cooper brings more than forty years' experience in the geographic industry holding key roles with **Esri** and **Ordnance Survey**. Cooper joins MGISS in the role of strategic advisor where he will help shape the company's future as it continues the transition from a start-up tech disruptor. Most recently, as Market Sector Manager EMEA for Leica Geosystems, Cooper built a network of partners across the region to deliver key business objectives. Cooper started his geospatial career at Ordnance Survey where, during his twenty year plus service, he rose to a senior management position before being headhunted by **Esri UK** to spearhead a new commercial business division. As Head of Business Solutions, Cooper built a growing, profitable and sustainable multi-million pound business from a standing start, positioning Esri as market leader within UK commercial sector. www.mgiss.co.uk

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Fugro's Edward Saade reappointed to NOAA Federal Advisory Committee



The US **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)** has reappointed Fugro USA President **Edward Saade** to its Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP). The 15-member federal advisory committee comprises individuals with a range of maritime expertise to provide independent recommendations for improved navigation services and coastal resilience. As the current chair of the HSRP, Saade has served on the panel since 2016. His participation is in keeping with Fugro's business model, which aims not only to create value for the organisation, but for its stakeholders and society at large. www.fugro.com