

## Foreword

We are delighted to present the proceedings of the conference “Mapping without the Sun — Techniques and Applications of Optical and SAR Imagery Fusion”. The conference organized by Chinese Academy of Surveying and Mapping (CASM), together with Sichuan Bureau of Surveying and Mapping, Beijing Institute of Civil Engineering and Architecture, China and three ISPRS working groups (ISPRS WG VII /6, VII/7, II/1) , takes place on 25-27 September 2007 in Chengdu, China.

Aiming to share the technical developments of data fusion, SAR imagery processing, advanced classification, change detection and registration, the international conference has provided a platform to strengthen the relationships and promote technical cooperation among the researchers working in these fields and other disciplines of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

We have received more than 140 domestic and overseas submissions. From these submitted abstracts, the scientific program committee carefully selected 73 full papers, 26 being presented orally and 47 being presented as posters. We would like to express our gratitude to the members of the scientific committee, organizing committee and to the reviewers and authors. Special thanks go to Mr. Jinhui Yang and Ms. Wenyu Gong for their hard work for preparing the proceedings.

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