

## **Report of the IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee**

The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee unanimously nominates the Commission on the Geography of Tourism, Leisure and Global Change for the IGU Commissions Excellence Award 2017.

The Commission on the Geography of Tourism, Leisure and Global Change is very active and highly productive. It participates consistently in IGU Congresses and Conferences, organizing successful sessions on processes of global change in tourism geographies affecting communities and environments worldwide. The Commission is exceptionally active, with a total of eight meetings (of its own and cosponsored) in 2017. The Commission has a strong tradition of collaboration with IGU Commissions as well as organisations outside IGU. The Commission collaborated in 2017 with several IGU Commissions in the Thematic Conference on Geographies for Peace in La Paz, Bolivia. Moreover, it co-organized several sessions on tourism in collaboration with AAG, CAG, IAG, Nordic geographers, EUGEO, and the Chinese Tourism Geography Commission. The Commission has developed a diverse way of communication, internally and externally, through its website, newsletter and email list. The Commission is exceptionally successful in publishing. The scientific journal *Tourism Geographies* is initiated by this Commission and the Commission is well represented in the editorial board of the journal. Moreover, the Commission launched a new Springer book series on *Geographies of Tourism and Global Change* in 2016; the first volume to appear in 2018.

The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee commends the Commission on Tourism, Leisure and Global Change for its excellent work.

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