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# INVITATION

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# IGU Thematic Conference on Land Use/Cover Changes, Biodiversity, Health and Environment, Local and Regional Development

#### **CONFERENCE PARTNERS:**

#### **IGU Commissions:**

- Land Use/Cover Change, Chair: Prof. Matej Gabrovec
- Local and Regional Development, Chair: Prof. Jerzy Banski
- \* Biogeography and Biodiversity, Chair: Dr. Suraj Mal
- Health and the Environment, Chair: Prof. Thomas Krafft

Romanian National Geographical Committee

Romanian Committee for Future Earth – Research for Global Sustainability

Romanian Academy, Aula Magna Calea Victoriei 125, Bucharest

#### **PROGRAMME**

September 11, 2017, 9<sup>30</sup>-14<sup>00</sup>

## **Opening Ceremony**

## Welcoming address:

Romanian Academy International Geographical Union Romanian National Geographical Committee

## **Plenary Session:**

**Prof. Dan B** LTEANU, Member of the Romanian Academy, Director of the Institute of Geography, Romania

Environmental Change and Regional Development in Romania

**Prof. Yukio HIMIYAMA,** President of International Geographical Union, Hokkaido University of Education, Japan

Reorganization of International Academic Community and IGU

**Prof. Marek DEGORSKI,** Director of the Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Science, Poland

Ecosystem Services as a Tool for Local and Regional Development

Prof. Michael SOFER, Bar-Ilan University, Israel

The Changing Landscape of the Rural Urban Fringe: An Israeli Case Study

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In the framework of this international scientific event, 80 participants from 20 countries will debate interdisciplinary topics correlated with the Future Earth Research for Global Sustainability Programme and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.