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The conference sessions with presented papers and interactive posters were grouped into the following themes: Infrastructures and Urban Areas, Processing Methodologies, Hazard Mitigation Geologic Applications, Sensors and Platforms, Environmental Monitoring Concepts and Processing Methodologies. Lively discussions often continued into the coffee breaks. Although the session topics seemed rather diverse, there was a common thread to many papers, i.e., application of remotely sensed data for the protection of our environment, the integration with geographic information systems (GIS) and change detection. There was strong support from the audience to continue these themes for future conferences.

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