





Milan, Room S.1.2 21 October 2016 at 5 pm

## WE BUILD HUMANITARIAN MAPPERS! discover the YouthMappers Network

## **YouthMappers**

Capitalizing on web-based open geospatial technologies, our mission is to cultivate a generation of young leaders to create resilient communities and to define their world by mapping it.

5:00 pm Maria Brovelli – A YouthMappers Chapter at PoliMI?

5:05 pm Patricia Solís – What is YouthMappers?

5:30 pm Erwee Frikken - YouthMappers Pretoria

5:40 pm Joan Mutenyo - YouthMappers Uganda

5:50 pm Dennis Irorere - YouthMappers Nigeria

6:00 pm - discussion

Dr. **Patricia Solís**, is the Director and co-Founder of YouthMappers, and is Research Associate Professor of Geography at Texas Tech University. She has developed scores of funded programs and studies on international research collaboration using geospatial and social technologies, including fostering North-South and South-South exchanges among emerging scholars and educators in sixty countries across Latin America, Africa, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. Her research areas include climate change, sustainable development, water resources, open mapping for resilience, and geography in higher education.

**Frikken Erwee** is the Secretary of the YouthMappers chapter at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. He is an undergraduate student studying GIS and in addition to his studies, he regularly gives secondary school students training in using OpenStreetMap through their "Junior Tukkie" Program.

**Mutenyo Joan** is a student at Uganda Christian University — Mbale College Uganda: «I'm pursuing a bachelor's degree in information technology and currently in my final year which ends april 2017. I'm a vice president in the youth chapter, our chapter is called "mappers for life" however I also take all the roles assigned to me like mobilising, training others how to edit with id and josm».

**Dennis Irorere**, Federal University of Technology Akure, Nigeria is in the Department of Meteorology and Climate Science and serves as the Coordinator of the recently created YouthMappers Azure Chapter: «I started with OpenStreetMap just a month ago, and I have found it very useful and interesting which is because I get to help other nations with mapping of their nations and helping to make good informed decision».



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