

## Proposal for new member in the EWGLA coordination board

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  - ✓ Districting Models
  - ✓ Application of location models in the public sector



I have a strong connection with EWGLA community and I would be very happy to give my contribution to support its activities and attract new members. In 2011, I participated to my first EWGLA meeting in Nantes, where I gave my first talk in front of a lot of researchers, whose names I had only read on the papers I had studied before. From that moment, I regularly participated to the meetings, I kept contact with most of the members, and in 2014 I also had the pleasure to contribute to the organization of the joint edition of the EWGLA XXI and ISOLDE XIII meeting in Naples and Capri.

I would like to continue the excellent work of the current EWGLA board by contributing to the following main tasks:

- ✓ Handling the financial resources of EWGLA;
- ✓ Supporting the organization of regular EWGLA meetings;
- ✓ Connecting the community with EURO and national and international OR societies;
- ✓ Help to determine the future of “Location Theory” up to a certain extent.

In particular, I’d like to improve communication and networking activities, by:

- ✓ Promoting inner and outer networking activities in order to stimulate research collaboration on joint projects in the field of location science;
- ✓ Sharing information about meetings, literature, funding opportunities, job announcements, etc, through the website and the social networks;
- ✓ Encouraging the engagement of young researchers in the area of location science and their participation to the activities of EWGLA, through incentives for the participation to the annual meeting, sessions dedicated to doctoral students within EWGLA meetings, the organization of doctoral schools, winter/summer courses on location;

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