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The Spanish Committee of the International Geographical Union (IGU) has organized a Seminar aimed to promote the Internationalization of the Spanish Geography, the 20th of March 2019. Nine members of the IGU Commissions' Steering Committees and from other European organizations of Geographers, EUGEO and EUROGEO, participated in this Seminar. After two round tables, Professor Dr. Benno Werlen of the Friederich Schiller University of Jena (Germany) closed the seminar with a talk on the "Science Decade of Global Understanding".

The most relevant conclusions for the Spanish collective of geographers, that can also serve as a roadmap to design future internationalization strategies to the Spanish IGU Committee, through the institutions that compose it, are the following:

- 1) Seeking for economic supports to encourage the attendance to UGI meetings and Congresses.
- 2) Encouraging the adhesion to the UGI Commissions, for example, by subscribing to their distribution lists.
- 3) Promoting the projection and international incidence of Spanish contributions, such as in terms of publications carried out by the IGU.
- 4) Transferring information from the Spanish members of the IGU organizations (Commissions' Steering Committees participants) to the Spanish organizations of Geographers, integrated in the Spanish Committee of the IGU, to be distributed among their members.
- 5) Boosting the active incorporation of members of the organizations integrated in the Spanish Committee of the IGU and other IGU participants in the scientific committees of the activities organized by the Geographical community, seeking for the support of national and international institutions.
- 6) Stimulating any other kind of international collaboration to spread the geographical science: organizing research groups, Geography Olympics, International Congresses, etc.

The AGE and RSG web page welcomes IGU information in its International Relations section.



Round table on *Experiences of Internationalization of Spanish Geography (I)*



Round table on *Experiences of Internationalization of Spanish Geography (II)*



Speech of Professor Dr. Benno Werlen (Friederich Schiller University of Jena), entitled *Global Understanding. A new paradigm for geographical research and teaching?*