

# Professional Friends

A list of my professional friends and colleagues.

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### *Some of my friends and colleagues*

I had the privilege to work with a large number of colleagues sharing my interests in geographic information. This is a **very** incomplete list, mostly friends not listed elsewhere as co-authors, team members of NCGIA, students.

#### *From the time in Vienna*

- Gilberto Camara (INPE Brazil)

#### *From the group attending COSIT 2019*

- Christian Freksa (Uni Bremen, deceased)
- Ioannis Giannopoulos (TU Wien)
- Francis Harvey (U Leipzig)
- Stephen Hirtle (U Pittsburg)
- Christoph Schlieder (U Bamberg)
- John G. Stell (U Leeds)
- Anthony Galton (U Exeter)
- Tony Cohn (U Leeds)
- Susan Epstein (Hunter College, CUNY)

#### *From my time in the USA*

- Admiral John Bossler, retired National Geodetic Survey, and retired OSU

A [transcript](#) of a talk where Bossler remembers the time when the North American Datum was recomputed.

- John Eisner, was at National Geodetic Survey; he introduced me to the discussion around *abstract data types*<sup>1</sup> which I could connect with the courses from Prof. Engeler at ETH and influenced much of my research directions.
- Alan Saalfeld, was faculty OSU
- Bruce Palmer, was at Digital Equipment Corp.

<sup>1</sup> Parnas1972b.

#### *From my student time at ETH Zurich*

- Christian and Hazel Eggenberger, Grabs SG
- Andreas Gautschi (ETH ZIR)
- Max Egenhofer, now Prof. of Geoinformation, University of Maine, Orono ME
- Werner Kuhn, retired from University of California at Santa Barbara, now in Lisbon
- Massimo Rumor, Padova

#### *From school in Switzerland*

- Gian-Battista (Giampadisili) von Tscharnern We spend together a few years at the Evangelische Mittelschule Samaden (ELAS) - now [Academia Engiadina](#). Giampadisili is the only one of my former colleagues from school I have seen in the past decades; he lives in the [castle of his family](#) and produces wine. The memories of our *Schulreise* (school excursion) to the castle about 50 years ago came back to my memory when we stopped at his door.

#### *References*