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Preface

Historical maps are important sources of information about past ages. Exploring ways of making this information available for further research is among the main tasks of the Commission on Cartographic Heritage into the Digital of the International Cartographic Association (ICA) and the Map & Geoinformation Curators Group (MAGIC).

This volume contains the papers presented on the 16th Conference on Digital Approaches to Cartographic Heritage (ICA DACH). The diversity of these papers shows how rich is the world of archive maps and how their information content can be utilized on many fields of science and arts.

We are very happy that – after having the conference online last year because of the pandemic – we were able to organize it again as an in-person event, despite the war in the neighbourhood and the financial challenges that are affecting most countries these days.

This year's Conference presents 27 papers with participation from 11 countries representing 23 institutions (universities, national and university libraries, archives and museums, research institutes, the public and private geospatial sectors, organisations) and it is organised in six working sessions dealing with issues related to the ICA Commission and the MAGIC Group terms of reference, among others: promoting research and development on the field of cartographic heritage; intra- and interdisciplinary co-operation; popularisation of cartographic heritage; policy making and strategies for Geoinformation / Map Collection development; metadata models and data-exchange standards for library, archive and museum items; preservation, access and innovation in visualisation and presentation (virtual exhibitions) of cartographic heritage (analogue and digital).

We hope that readers of this volume will find answers, ideas and inspiration for their work in the realm of cartographic heritage and map librarianship.

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