

# Cartographic Content on Facebook

Facebook is a social networking site established by Mark Zuckerberg in 2004. It had over two billion active users in June 2017. Facebook enables one to create a private profile showing their interests and hobbies which lets people connect with other individuals with similar interests – friends. Various institutions can also create profiles in order to facilitate business presentation and communication (Wikipedia 2017). We were interested in how much cartographers and cartographic institutions used Facebook. This is not going to be a comprehensive overview, but a mention of some profiles, especially those of Croatian cartographers and cartographic institutions.

The International Cartographic Association (ICA) has a Facebook profile with 4744 followers. Two of ICA's commissions also have their profiles: ICA Commission on Cartography and Children and ICA Commission on Planetary Cartography. ICA Commission on Cartography and Children uses its profile to post reports, e.g. results of the 2017 Barbara Petchenik children's map competition on the topic of We Love Maps (Fig. 1).

Croatian Cartographic Society (CCS) has had a Facebook profile since 2015. It currently has 298 followers and contains lots of information on CCS activities – exhibitions, conferences, workshops, new books (Fig. 2), etc.



**ICA Commission on Cartography and Children**  
 July 10, 2017 · 
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The National Geographic website reporting on the results of Barbara Petchenik Competition 2017:  
<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/.../cartography-kids-maps.../>



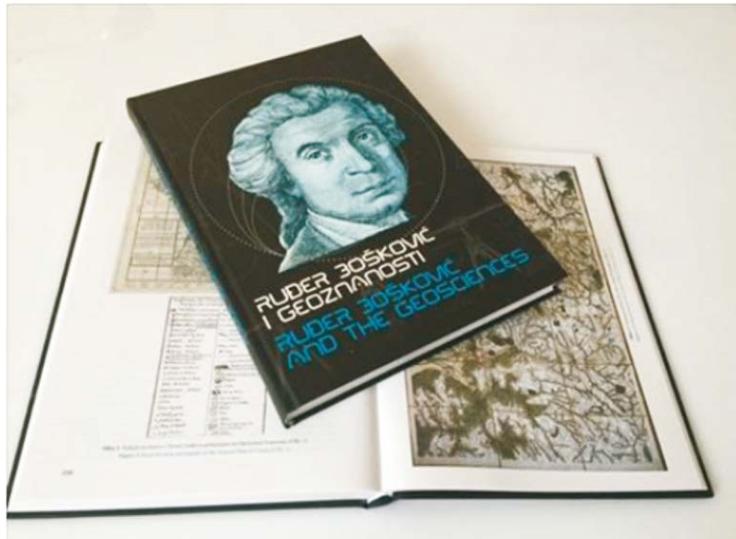
**See the Amazing Kids' Maps That Won a Global Contest**  
 Hundreds of children from 34 countries submitted maps to the bi-annual cartography contest.  
[NEWS.NATIONALGEOGRAPHIC.COM](http://NEWS.NATIONALGEOGRAPHIC.COM)

**Fig. 1.** Results of the 2017 Barbara Petchenik Competition  
**Slika 1.** Rezultati natječaja Barbara Petchenik za 2017.



**Croatian Cartographic Society - Hrvatsko kartografsko društvo**  
 March 10, 2016 · 
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Ruđer Bošković, europski geodet 2016.  
 Rugjer Boscovich, European geodesist 2016



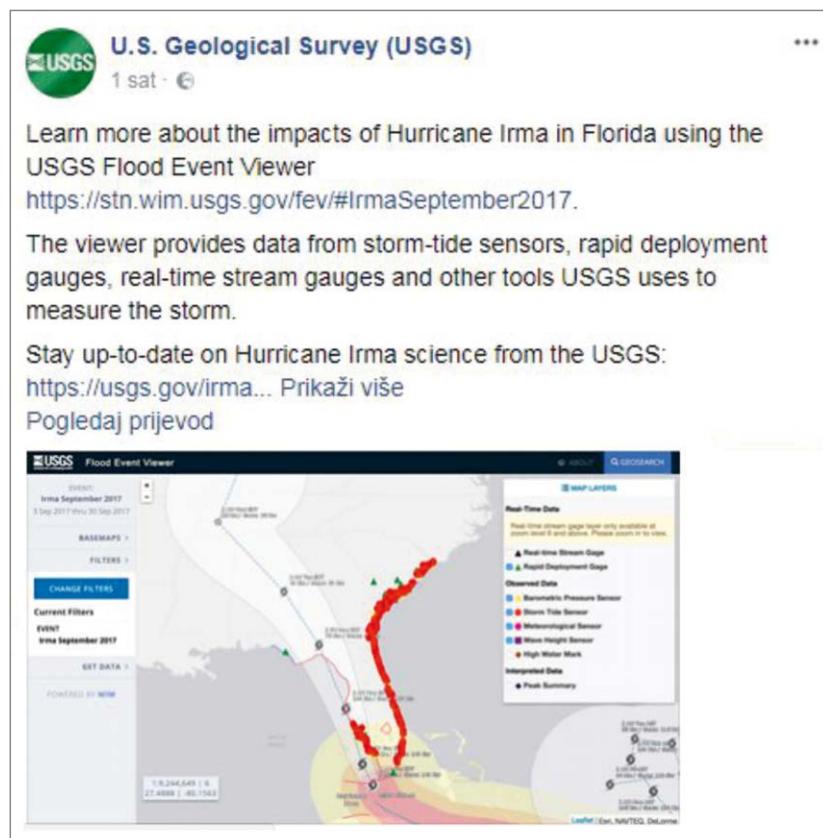
**Fig. 2.** Croatian Cartographic Society informs about a new book  
**Slika 2.** Informacija HKD-a o novoj knjizi

# Kartografski sadržaji na Facebooku

Facebook je internetska društvena mreža koju je 2004. osnovao Mark Zuckerberg. U lipnju 2017. imala je mjesečno oko dvije milijarde aktivnih korisnika. Facebook omogućuje stvaranje privatnih profila na kojima se pojedinci mogu predstaviti svojim interesima i hobijima i povezati s ljudima sličnih interesa – prijateljima (*friends*). Profile mogu stvarati i različite institucije u svrhu poslovne prezentacije i komunikacije (Wikipedia 2017). Zanimalo nas je stoga u kojoj se mjeri kartografi i kartografske institucije služe Facebookom. Nije mi namjera dati sveobuhvatniji prikaz, već skrenuti pozornost samo na neke profile, posebno one hrvatskih kartografa i kartografskih institucija.

Međunarodno kartografsko društvo (*International Cartographic Association – ICA*) ima svoj profil na Facebooku s 4744 pratitelja. Svoje profile imaju i dva povjerenstva: *ICA Commission on Cartography and Children* i *ICA Commission on Planetary Cartography*. *ICA Commission on Cartography and Children* na svojim stranicama izvještava, među ostalim, i o rezultatima natječaja Barbara Petchenik za dječju kartu svijeta za 2017. na temu Volimo karte (sl. 1).

I Hrvatsko kartografsko društvo (HKD) ima od siječnja 2015. svoj profil na Facebooku s 298 pratitelja. Stranice sadrže mnogo informacija o aktivnostima HKD-a – izložbama, konferencijama, savjetovanjima, radionicama, novim knjigama (sl. 2) i dr.



**Fig. 3.** U.S. Geological Survey's message on Hurricane Irma  
**Slika 3.** Poruka USGS-a o uraganu Irma



**Fig. 4.** Ordnance Survey's message on the Stay Wild Festival  
**Slika 4.** Obavijest OS-a o Stay Wild Festivalu

**Institut für Kartographie - TU Dresden**  
5. rujna 2016 ·

Ein Interview mit Prof. Buchroithner:  
<http://www.deutschlandradiokultur.de/kartografie-die-letzte...>

Pogledaj prijevod

Kartografie - Die letzten weißen Flecken auf der Weltkarte

Trotz Google Earth und ähnlicher Dienste - es gibt sie noch, die letzten weißen Flecken auf der Landkarte. Denn die Satelliten erkennen zwar im Großen und...

DEUTSCHLANDRADIOKULTUR.DE

**Fig. 5. Information about the last white spots on the world map**  
**Slika 5.** Informacija o posljednjim bijelim mrljama na karti svijeta

**Katedra za kartografiju - GEOF** shared a link.  
July 27, 2017 ·

**What is Geodesy?**

Geodesy: The Mathematics of "Where" - GIS Geography

Geodesy is the field of applied mathematics that studies Earth's shape, orientation, positions and gravity for the past, present and future.

**Fig. 6. Post on the profile of the Chair of Cartography**  
**Slika 6.** Objava na stranicama Katedre za kartografiju

We are going to emphasize two national mapping agencies (NMA) on Facebook. On September 10, 2017, US Geological Survey (USGS) asked its followers (a total of 475 000) to learn the consequences of Hurricane Irma using its Flood Event Viewer (Fig. 3). Ordnance Survey (OS) also used Facebook to inform its followers (a total of 30 487) about its activities (Fig. 4).

We are going to emphasize two high education institutions with profiles on Facebook. Institut für Kartographie TU Dresden was established on December 1, 1959 and has had a Facebook profile since February 2014. Fig. 5 shows a map with last white spots on the world map, mentioned in an interview on German radio by Prof. Buchroithner.

I would like to emphasize an additional Croatian institution on Facebook. It is the profile of Chair of Cartography of the Faculty of Geodesy of the University of Zagreb. Fig. 6 shows a post with a link to GISGeography where one can find a brief text explaining what geodesy is.

Finally, I would like to end this brief text with profiles of two Croatian cartographers. Miljenko Lapaine, a retired full professor of the Faculty of Geodesy of the University of Zagreb, has had a Facebook profile since October 2015. Fig. 7 shows his post from August 26, 2017.

Dražen Tutić, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Geodesy of the University of Zagreb has had a Facebook profile since February 2009. Fig. 8 shows his post about a paper he and his collaborators published in *Journal of Maps*.

Facebook was accessed on September 11 and 12, 2017.

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(11. 9. 2017)

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**Fig. 7.** A post by Miljenko Lapaine  
**Slika 7.** Objava Miljenka Lapainea



**Fig. 8.** Information about a paper published in *Journal of Maps*  
**Slika 8.** Informacija o članku objavljenom u *Journal of Maps*

Od Nacionalnih geodetsko kartografskih agencija (*National Mapping Agency - NMA*) na Facebooku skrećemo pozornost na dvije. *US Geological Survey (USGS)* na svojim stranicama 10. rujna 2017. poziva građane, svoje pratitelje (ukupno 475 000), da se bolje upoznaju, s posljedicama uragana Irma uz pomoć njihova *Flood Event Viewer* (sl. 3). I *Ordnance Survey (OS)* se služi Facebookom da pratitelje (ukupno 30 487) obavijesti o svojim aktivnostima (sl. 4).

Od visokoškolskih institucija na Facebooku skrećemo pozornost samo na dvije. *Institut für Kartographie TU Dresden*, osnovan 1. prosinca 1959., ima svoj profil na Facebooku od veljače 2014. Na sl. 5 je karta s posljednjim bijelim mrljama na karti svijeta na koje je upozorio prof. Buchroithner u intervjuu na njemačkom radiju.

Još jednom u ovom kratkom tekstu skrećem pozornost na profil jedne hrvatske kartografske institucije na Facebooku. To su stranice Katedre za kartografiju Geodetskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu. Na sl. 6 je objava s poveznicom na *GISGeography* gdje je kratak tekst s objašnjenjem što je geodezija.

Na kraju ovog kratkog teksta sa zadovoljstvom skrećem pozornost na stranice dvaju hrvatskih kartografa. Miljenko Lapaine, umirovljeni redoviti profesor u trajnom zvanju Geodetskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu, ima svoj profil na Facebooku od listopada 2015. Na sl. 7 je objava koju je na svoj profil stavio 26. kolovoza 2017.

Dražen Tutić, docent Geodetskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu, svoj je profil na Facebooku stavio već u veljači 2009. Na sl. 8 je informacija o članku koji je sa suradnicima objavio u časopisu *Journal of Maps*.

Pretraživanje Facebooka obavljeno je 11. i 12. rujna 2017.

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