

The International Conference on Geomorphology, organized by the International Association of Geomorphologists (IAG), is certainly one of the most important international events in the geomorphology area, which has as the main goal, the discussion of research methods and issues related to international geomorphology.

I participated in the 8th International Conference on Geomorphology, presenting in poster format that was part of my Master's Degree research and today I continue in my PhD research at the University of São Paulo (Brazil), where I developed a new methodological possibility for predicting shallow landslides in risk areas. The work consisted of developing a new methodology for evaluating risk and susceptibility to shallow landslides in areas densely populated by the union of field mappings (identification and analysis of the risk degree) combined with mapping natural susceptibility to the landslides occurrence from a mathematical prediction developed in the U.S., called SHALSTAB (*Shallow Landsliding Stability*).

The application of this methodological proposal occurred in a tributary of Aricanduva River Basin, located in the east of São Paulo city (Brazil), selected due to the frequent occurrence of landslides in poor communities, which has caused several socioeconomic losses, whose the results of my research may assist the public in better management of land use planning.

During the submissions to the conference, I signed up for the award titled YOUNG GEOMORPHOLOGISTS, and among the 70 candidates, I was selected among 20 young geomorphologists and could receive the award at the opening conference. It was a time of great academic satisfaction for me, because I was placed in a group of excellent young researchers from 12 different countries. Furthermore, we were offered a dinner after the opening cocktail, allowing 20 young geomorphologists could be known, to exchange experiences and information about their research developed in their countries, also accompanied the organizers professors Mauro Soldati, Sunil Kumar De and Francisco Gutiérrez. I would like to thank the executive committee, the IAG, for the excellent opportunity and the prize awarded!

During the conference I also attended several oral presentations, panels and lectures, which allowed a number of professional and academic progresses, which ripen in my PhD research, as well as my practice in the classroom with my students, at enrichment information experienced during the conference.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the International Association of Geomorphologists (IAG) and the Groupe Français de Géomorphologie (GFG), by the excellent organization of the 8th International Conference on Geomorphology!

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