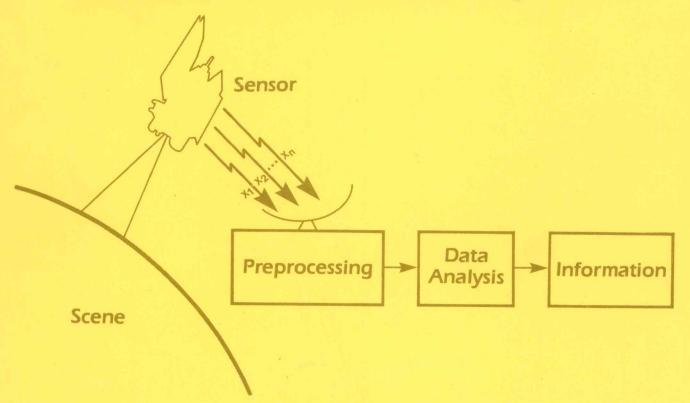
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#### **Preface**

Remote sensing is continually rising to new levels of sophistication and application throughout the world. The need for advances in this field is evident because the world is experiencing major environmental and resource problems. Degradation of environment and improper and inefficient use and distribution of resources continues to cause human distress on a global scale. Acquisition, storage, management and analysis of data relevant to solution of these problems which impact human progress are elements in which the remote sensing community has a expertise and vital interest. This technical community has a great opportunity to aid in improving many world conditions through applications of remote sensing.

New sensors with features such as improved spectral and spatial resolution, greater variety of spectral bands, and more efficient data transmission/receiving characteristics are increasing the capability to provide data which, when analyzed, can provide information required to redress important world problems. Vast new quantities of information developed through remote sensing frequently are combined with other information sets and analyzed in combination using computer techniques. This approach promises not only to expand the need for more remote sensing-derived information, but to greatly improve the ability of such information to have impact on the solution of many world problems.

This symposium is fortunate to have authors from many parts of the world present papers which provide insight into improved methods of developing information through remote sensing and better applying this information developed by using geographic information systmes (GIS). One symposium emphasis is on Thematic Mapper (TM) data, which is a representative of newer, and in many ways improved, data for earth resource analysis. A second symposium theme is on the GIS which is a vital link between remote sensing developed information and its applications. The TM as well as other remotely sensed data, when effectively processed and analyzed using techniques such as those presented in papers throughout this symposium, provide a plethora of information. This information often can best be applied when it is analyzed in conjunction with other sets of information within an effective GIS. Thus, this symposium collectively emphasizes the utility and integration of new sources of remotely sensed data, along with the old within an applications context that increasingly needs to incorporate GIS approaches.

No symposium can be successful without the support of many unselfish interested people and organizations whose time, energy and cooperation is so essential in bringing such a conference to fruition. It is with grateful thanks to the cosponsors, the session chairpersons, the symposium committee and the authors that the chairmen express their gratitude. A special word of thanks is extended to those who have been intimately involved in the preparation of these proceedings; namely Marilynn M. Klepfer, Susan L. Ferringer, Glenda C. Bauer and the symposium coordinator, Douglas B. Morrison.

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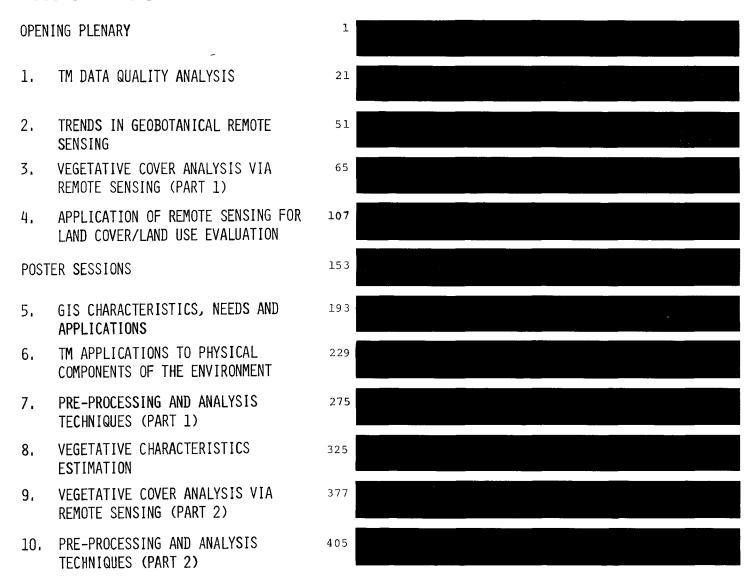
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## **Opening Plenary:**

# Thematic Mapper Data Utilization and Geographic Information Systems

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## 2 Trends in Geobotanical Remote Sensing

SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN: Kamlesh Lulla

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SESSION CO-CHAIRMAN: Anthony R. Barringer

Barringer obtained a Ph.D. degree in Economic Geology from Imperial College in 1954. He emigrated to Canada and worked as a geologist for Selco Exploration Company Limited. In 1957 he invented the  ${\tt INPUT^R}$  airborne electromagnetic prospecting system (INduces PUlse Transient) which eventually became the subject of patents in 19 countries. In 1961, the majority of the Airborne and Technical Services Division of Selco Exploration became Barringer Research Limited. Since that time 20 major ore deposits have been discovered with the system. During the years since formation of Barringer Research (the parent company has now been renamed Barringer Resources, Inc.), Dr. Barringer has been awarded more than 40 U.S. issued patents and more than 200 patents worldwide. Barringer's patents were used in the first NASA shuttle flight to carry experiments and the equipment was constructed jointly by Barringer Research and TRW Incorporated.

# 3 Vegetative Cover Analysis Via Remote Sensing (Part 1)

SESSION CHAIRMAN: Samuel N. Goward

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# Application of Remote Sensing for Land Cover/Land Use Evaluation

SESSION CHAIRMAN: John R. Jensen

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### **Poster Sessions**

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# 5 GIS Characteristics, Needs and Applications

SESSION CHAIRMAN: John E. Estes

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# TM Applications to Physical Components of the Environment

SESSION CHAIRMAN: Jeff Dozier

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# 7 Pre-Processing and Analysis Techniques (Part 1)

SESSION CHAIRMAN: Richard S. Latty

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# 8 Vegetative Characteristics Estimation

SESSION CHAIRMAN: R. B. MacDonald

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# 9 Vegetative Cover Analysis Via Remote Sensing (Part 2)

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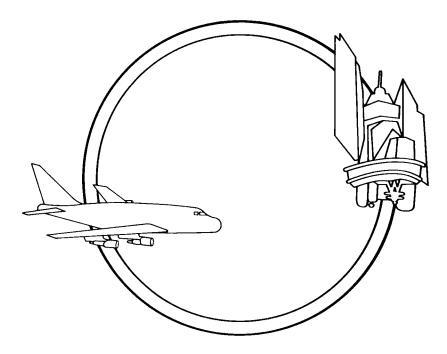
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