John Leighfield, CBE, Joins Getmapping Board



John Leighfield, CBE, has been appointed as a Non Executive director of Getmapping plc, the company whose Millennium Map is pioneering the market for national-scale aerial photographic surveys.

Educated at Oxford John Leighfield has had a long and distinguished career in Information Technology. He is the Chairman of Research Machines plc, President of the Institute for the Management of Information Systems, Senior Warden of the Worshipful Company of Information Technologists (WCIT), Honorary Professor in the Warwick Business School and Chairman of the Council and Pro Chancellor of the University of Warwick. John is also passionately interested in historical cartography and lectures regularly on the history of British map-making.

"I am delighted to be joining the board of Getmapping plc," says John Leighfield. "Getmapping is one of a number of innovative companies which is revolutionising the market for mapping and related services. I believe that we are only at the beginning of major and far reaching changes, which will effect the entire Geographical Information (GI) industry. The catalyst for change is technological - for example the new services that are made possible by GPS, broadband Internet and high bandwidth mobile communications networks," continued Leighfield.

"We are delighted to welcome John Leighfield to the Board of Getmapping," said Tristram Cary, Getmapping's CEO and Chairman. "His experience of developing the market for online Educational Content at Research Machines has many parallels with the challenges facing Getmapping."

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