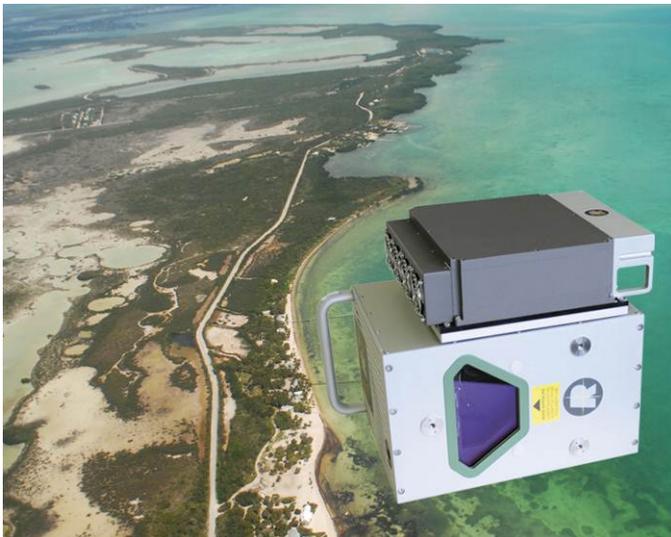


**RIEGL Topo-Hydrographic Airborne Laser Scanner
awarded as exemplary innovation 2013**

**Geospatial World Innovation Award
goes to RIEGL**



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On May 15th, RIEGL won the Geospatial World Award in the category Geospatial Technology Innovation Surveying at the Geospatial World Forum Conference in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, for the RIEGL VQ-820-G.

The RIEGL VQ-820-G introduced the world's first "tightly coupled", shallow water, land and smart echo waveform LIDAR sensor. The topo-hydrographic scanner demonstrated its innovative ability during several live demonstrations over the course of the last few months.

An example of these demonstrations is the data collection in Oregon/ USA of the Sandy River. The nature of the river makes it challenging for traditional transect or boat-based hydrographic surveys; thus, airborne laser scanning offers new possibilities of data capture for mapping channel and floodplain morphology. The RIEGL software suite was a key element due to its ability to calibrate, acquire, process, geo-reference and export data.

At the Geospatial World Forum in Rotterdam, RIEGL was awarded for the VQ-820-G in the Innovation Category. Geospatial World Magazine has been encouraging and recognizing excellence in the various projects, innovations and policies that have helped shape the future of the geospatial industry. Geospatial World Awards were created in order to promote and recognize such excellence; bringing out and highlighting the best practices and innovations in the global geospatial industry.

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“We are proud to receive this prestigious award and feel acknowledged to further intensifying our research & development efforts for this exciting field of combined topographic and hydrographic airborne laser scanning” states Martin Pfennigbauer, *RIEGL's* Director of Research and product manager for bathymetric sensors, who was presented the award during the Award Night and Gala Dinner of Geospatial World Forum 2013 in Rotterdam, The Netherlands.



About RIEGL LMS:

RIEGL Laser Measurement Systems is an Austrian based company specializing in research, development and production of terrestrial, mobile and airborne laser scanners and laser scanning systems. The combination of state-of-the-art hardware and appropriate, equally innovative *RIEGL* software packages results in powerful solutions for multiple fields of application.

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