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Remote Sensing in Argentina Today

1. OBJECTIVE **REMOTE SENSING IN ARGENTINA TODAY**

This work has been prepared by the *Sociedad de Especialistas Latino Americanos en Percepción Remota (SELPER)* with the purpose of listing the Official Institutions and Private Enterprises related in one way or another or simply interested in applications of Remote Sensing (RS) and Geographical Information Systems (GIS).

2. BACKGROUND

Since the seventies the National Commission of Space Research in Argentina has pioneered in training of personnel and establishment of applications of Remote Sensing technology.

Several national and international organizations have trained over 1000 professionals in Remote Sensing, some of which could receive LANDSAT data. The first station for Image Processing was established in 1975.

This station was not brought up to date and was replaced by the Thematic Mapper (TM) on the SPOT satellite in 1987.

At the end of 1987, 75 personnel were trained in Remote Sensing and part of that personnel moved to other institutions. Some of them have formed their own small companies in the same area.

In spite of all the promoted use of this type of technology, the activity in this area has not been relevant because of reduced budgets at the official level and at the private level.

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