



## **Educational Development Award**

**Winner – Dr Sanjeev Srivastava**

Dr Sanjeev Srivastava is currently teaching and coordinating spatial science courses which include GIS, remote sensing and surveying as part of a Geospatial Analysis Minor at the University of the Sunshine Coast. He has developed several innovative ways to engage students in learning spatial science. These innovative approaches include engaging students in field-based and lab-based activities, using diverse assessment-feedback regimes, using activity-based learning in the real-world environment, and using 3D models as well as animations in desktop and immersive environments. Dr Srivastava has supervised a number of students for higher degree by research and encourages them to apply spatial science and tools across a diverse range of disciplines that include fire ecology, economics of fire management, wildlife management, urban planning, and forestry.

For his innovative work in spatial science education, Dr Srivastava was awarded with Australia Government's Office of Learning and Teaching (OLT) Citation Award.

### **Judges' comments:**

“Dr Sanjeev Kumar Srivastava is an enormous asset to the spatial profession both in his industry work/ research and extraordinary efforts with the development of students. His great achievement is connecting university to industry.”

“Sanjeev has made a positive contribution to education both within his academic institution but also more broadly to the SSSI and profession.”