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Dear Gyula,

Many thanks for sending this information. It is sad news to hear of Gyorgy's death, but he left us with many great contributions and much to celebrate in his life. In my personal experience he was a very important support for the early work of the IGU Commission (then on Public Administration) now on Governance, which I was chairing in 1988 when we first met. He was very helpful in the first Commission meetings in Hungary at Pecs and in other meetings in the rapidly changing circumstances of Central Europe at that time. The result was for the IGU Commission to be able to engage in the emerging, and then real debates about the futures of local government, regional and national state structures. He was always the most urbane and modest man, but very supportive and encouraging.

I am sure your institute and the other organisations to which Gyorgy contributed will all recognise his contribution and will be very grateful for his inputs and support. Please pass on my condolences to his family and former colleagues.

Bob Bennett