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## FIG e-Newsletter December 2010

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG e-Newsletter, which brings you latest information about FIG and its activities. The information referred here is in full length available on the FIG web site. Thus the e-Newsletter is produced to inform you what has happened recently and what interesting things are going to take place in the near future. The FIG e-Newsletter is circulated monthly by e-mail. The referred articles are in English and written in a way that you are able to extract them to your national newsletters or circulate to your members and networks.



### The FIG Office wishes you:

- Seasons Greeting and a Happy New Year!
- Joyeux Noël et Bonne Année
- Fröhliche Weihnachten und Ein Gutes Neues Jahr
- Feliz Navidad y Prospero año nuevo!
- Kul sanna wa'intum b'kheir
- Glædelig jul og godt nytår

The office is also happy to announce that Louise Friis-Hansen has been appointed Office Manager and Hanne Elster will start in the office as Office Coordinator. Markku Villikka continues as FIG Director. The office staff is looking forward to the continued co-operation with all members and friends of FIG.

### Article of the Month – December 2010

On the FIG web site we publish each month a paper called the Article of the Month. This is a high-level paper focusing on interesting topics to all surveyors. It can be picked up from an FIG conference or another event. The Article of the Month in December 2010 is written by Prof. **Stig Enemark**, FIG President 2007-2010: *From Cadastre to Land Governance in Support of the Global Agenda - The Role of Land Professionals and FIG*. The paper facilitates an understanding of how the cadastral concept has evolved over time into the broader concept of Land Administration Systems in support of sound Land Governance. The role of land professionals and FIG is underlined in this regard. The paper also represents the essence of a range of papers presented by the author as President of FIG over the term of office 2007-2010.

[www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/december\\_2010/december\\_2010\\_enemark.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/december_2010/december_2010_enemark.html)

## FIG Working Week 2011 - Bridging the Gap between Cultures - Marrakech, Morocco, 18-22 May 2011



FIG Working Week and General Assembly 2011 will be held in Marrakech, Morocco 18-22 May 2011. For details see the FIG Working Week web site: [www.fig.net/fig2011](http://www.fig.net/fig2011) and [www.onigt.ma/fig2011](http://www.onigt.ma/fig2011) (French and Arabic).

### Register for the Working Week 2011

The registration for the Working Week 2011 is now opened. Please register online at: <https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=74>. Deadline for early bird registration is 16 February 2011.

### Papers

The organisers have received more than 500 proposals for papers. Please note that the deadline for abstracts has passed 15 December 2010 but still few late coming proposals will be considered. Please hurry to submit your abstract online at:

<http://www.fig.net/abstractdb/submit.asp?id=13>

Confirmations of acceptance of non peer review abstracts will be sent by 19 January and the deadline for the submission of the full paper is 16 March. Please remember to use the template for papers and read the guidelines carefully.

Guidelines for writing papers: [http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig\\_2011\\_template.doc](http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig_2011_template.doc)

Template for papers: [http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig\\_2011\\_template.doc](http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig_2011_template.doc)

The submission of *full peer review papers* is closed. Authors of peer review papers will get the first notification of acceptance by 15 January 2011. The deadline for authors to submit revised full paper for 2<sup>nd</sup> round of peer review (depending on proposed corrections from reviewers) is 31 January 2011 and the second notification to authors of acceptance of peer reviewed papers will be 10 February 2011.

## Reports from last month

### President Enemark and the Current Council and Commissions Give the Responsibility of FIG Administration to a New Team - FIG Handover Ceremony, Copenhagen, Denmark, 25-26 November 2010



Presidents Stig Enemark and CheeHai Teo at the Handover Ceremony assisted by Robert W. Foster and Juha Talvitie.

The formal Handover Ceremony between the current and incoming FIG Councils and Commission chairs took place in Copenhagen 26 November 2010. At the Handover Ceremony President **Stig Enemark** gave the President's Chain of Office to the incoming President **CheeHai Teo** from Malaysia. President Teo together with his Council, new Commission chairs and other officers will now take over the responsibility of FIG.

The Handover Ceremony was attended by about hundred representatives from all over the world to recognise the achievements of President Enemark and his team. The busy week included also number of meetings of the FIG Council, new Commission officers (ACCO) and with participating delegations focussing especially on the future FIG conferences.

*Read more:*

[www.fig.net/news/handover\\_2010/handover\\_nov\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/handover_2010/handover_nov_2010.htm)



President Stig Enemark making the keynote address.

President Enemark's farewell address: Building the Capacity - The FIG Agenda and Achievements 2007-2010

[www.fig.net/council/enemark\\_papers/2010/farewell\\_%20speech\\_handover\\_nov\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/council/enemark_papers/2010/farewell_%20speech_handover_nov_2010.pdf)

President Teo's (2011-2014) Incoming President's Address:

[www.fig.net/council/teo\\_papers/2010/handover\\_address\\_nov\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/council/teo_papers/2010/handover_address_nov_2010.pdf)

### **Joint Meeting of FIG Commission 3 and 7 Information and Land Management - A Decade After the Millennium - Sofia, Bulgaria, 15-17 November 2010**



Participants in a group photo.

The Joint FIG Commission 3 and 7 Workshop and 2010 Annual Meeting of Commission 3 took place in Sofia, on the 15-17 of November. The Workshop was organized by FIG Commissions 3 and 7 and the Chamber of Graduated Surveyors of Bulgaria. The meeting was the 4th Workshop of FIG Commission 3 in the four-year term of office 2007-2010. *Read more:*

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/sofia\\_november\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/sofia_november_2010.htm)

### **Commission Chair Andrés Ossko attends the International Seminar on Victims of Dispossession Initiatives to Settle the Debt – Bogota, Colombia 24-26 November 2010**



The podium at the Seminar

The seminar was focused on analyzing the governmental challenge of land restitution to victims of abandonment and dispossession under circumstances that will guarantee that they will be granted their rights to justice and truth and they can enrol in the economic life of the country under conditions of dignity and security. More than 200 attended the Seminar, and The Vice President of Columbia also gave a presentation. *Read more:*

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/bogota\\_november\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/bogota_november_2010.htm)

### **Incoming Vice President Chryssy Potsiou attended the 2nd International Training Course for Surveyors - Rome, Italy, 20 September – 8 October 2010**

The Consiglio Nazionale Geometri and Geometri Laureati in cooperation with Geoweb S.p.A., have promoted and organized the Second International Training Course of Territorial Survey. The course took place in Rome from the 20th of September to the 8th of October 2010. From FIG the incoming Vice President Chryssy Potsiou attended and gave an opening speech. *Read more:*

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/rome\\_september\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/rome_september_2010.htm)

### **Strong Commission 3 Participation to the International Conference on Spatial Data Infrastructure 2010, 15-17 September 2010, Skopje, Macedonia FYROM**



Opening of the conference Aleksandar Nikolovski, Rector of FON University; Mauro Salvemini, President of EUROGI; Bashkim Idrizi, President of Geo-SEE; Prof. Potsiou, FIG Commission 3.

The 2010 International Conference on Spatial Data Infrastructures was successfully held at FON University in Skopje, FY Republic of Macedonia. The conference was organized by Geo-SEE (South-East Europe Research Association on Geo Sciences) and was supported by six co-organisers (FIG, EUROGI, Chamber of Authorized Surveyors of Macedonia, FON University, ITC, and Geography Department of SUT). A keynote speech was held by Prof. Chryssy Potsiou, current chair of FIG Commission 3 on "*Spatial information management and the current rapid processes of urbanization*". Commission 3 was very well represented at the conference. *Read more:*

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/skopje\\_september\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/skopje_september_2010.htm)

## Personalia



### **FIG President Stig Enemark receives prestigious Danish Order**

FIG President, Professor Stig Enemark has been awarded the prestigious Danish Order "Knight of Dannebrog" for his outstanding service to the Danish surveying profession and to the international surveying community.

<http://www.fig.net/personalia/index.htm#enemark>

## Job vacancies

<http://www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm>

## New FIG Publications

Four new publications were launched at the Handover Ceremony in Copenhagen in November. Hard copies will be sent to members in January 2011.

- FIG Publication No. 53: Sydney Agenda for Action. Small Island Developing States and the Millennium Development Goals: Building the Capacity. FIG Report 2010.  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub53/figpub53.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub53/figpub53.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 54: Compulsory Purchase and Compensation - Recommendations for Good Practice. FIG Policy Statement, 2010.  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub54/figpub54.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub54/figpub54.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 55: Spatial Planning in Coastal Regions. Facing the Impact of Climate Change. FIG Report 2010.  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub55/figpub55.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub55/figpub55.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 56: Guidelines for the Planning, Execution and Management of Hydrographic Surveys in Ports and Harbours. FIG Report 2010.  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub56/figpub56.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub56/figpub56.htm)

Latest reports and newsletters:

- Commission 5 e-Newsletter - December 2010  
[www.fig.net/commission5/newsletters/comm\\_5\\_xmas\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/commission5/newsletters/comm_5_xmas_2010.pdf)
- Liaison Report to ISO/TC 211 Plenary Canberra, December 2010  
[www.fig.net/standards\\_network/liaison\\_report\\_canberra\\_december\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/standards_network/liaison_report_canberra_december_2010.pdf)

## Forthcoming events

### **22 January, Tirana, Albania**

1st International Conference of the Albanian Association of Geodesy. The conference is organised in connection to the 20th Anniversary of AAG. Co-sponsored by FIG

More information: [http://www.fig.net/events/2011/albania\\_2011.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2011/albania_2011.pdf)

Web site: <http://www.shgjsh.com>

### **13 -15 April, Garching/Munich, Germany**

The 1st International Workshop on The Quality of Geodetic Observation and Monitoring Systems - QuGOMS 2011. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5

Abstract submission: 15 November 2010

Invitation flyer: <http://www.fig.net/events/2011/qugoms2011.pdf>

Web site: <http://www.gih.uni-hannover.de/qugoms2011>

### **14-19 April 2011, Newcastle, United Kingdom**

24th International Geodetic Students Meeting. Organised by IGSO and co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: <http://www.igsm2011.org.uk/>

### **27-29 April, Novosibirsk, Russia**

Geosiberia - Seventh International Specialised Exhibition and Scientific Congress.

Organised by Siberian State Academy of Geodesy and ITE Siberian Fair. Co-sponsored by FIG.

More information: [http://www.fig.net/events/2011/geosiberia\\_2011.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2011/geosiberia_2011.pdf)

Web site: <http://www.geo-siberia.com/>

### **27-29 April, Lviv, Ukraine**

GEOFORUM 2011- 16th International Scientific and Technical Conference. Organised by Institute of Geodesy, National University. Co-sponsored by FIG.

More information: [http://www.fig.net/events/2011/ukraine\\_2011.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2011/ukraine_2011.pdf)

### **3-8 May Antalya, Turkey**

GI4DM - GeoInformation for Disaster Management. Co-sponsored by FIG

Abstract submission: 15 December 2010

Web site: <http://www.gi4dm2011.org/>

### **18-22 May, Marrakech, Morocco**



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- Guidelines for writing papers:  
[http://www.fig.net/fig2011/guidelines\\_for\\_papers\\_fig2011.pdf](http://www.fig.net/fig2011/guidelines_for_papers_fig2011.pdf)
- Template for papers:  
[http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig\\_2011\\_template.doc](http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig_2011_template.doc)
- Submission of full peer review papers has been closed

### **13-16 June, Cracow, Poland**

7th International Symposium on Mobile Mapping Technology Symposium - MMT11. Co-sponsored by FIG

Web site: <http://www.mmtcracow2011.pl/>

### **22-23 June, Umeå, Sweden**

The Geodetic Infrastructure in Europe - today and tomorrow. Organised by CLGE and ASPECT. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5

Web site: <http://www.aspect.se/ASPECT-seminarier-clge-juni-2011.html>

### **22-24 June, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

11th South East Asian Survey Congress. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: [www.seasc2011.org/](http://www.seasc2011.org/)

### **7-12 July, San Diego, California, USA**

The Survey Summit arranged by Esri and the American Congress on Surveying and

Mapping (ACSM). Co-sponsored by FIG  
Deadline for abstract submission: 6 December 2010  
Web site: <http://www.thesurveysummit.com/>

**22-24 September 2011, Brijuni, Croatia**

INGEO 2011. Organised by the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, Faculty of Geodesy, University of Zagreb and FIG Commission  
More information: [http://www.fig.net/events/2011/ingeo\\_2011.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2011/ingeo_2011.pdf) (pdf 251 kb)  
Web Site: <http://www.svf.stuba.sk/INGEO2011>

**18 November 2011, Delft, the Netherlands**

Second International FIG Workshop on 3D-Cadastral. Organised by FIG Commission 7 Working Group and supported by EuroSDR.

For **additional FIG and FIG Commission events** see always up-to-date information at: [www.fig.net/events/events.htm](http://www.fig.net/events/events.htm)

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