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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.

Article of the Month – June 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 June 2010 "*Climate Change and Sustainable Cities: Major Challenges Facing Cities and Urban Settlements in the Coming Decades*". It is written by Dr. **Mohamed El-Sioufi**, UN-HABITAT and was presented as a keynote presentation at the XXIV FIG Congress in Sydney 11-16 April 2010 in the plenary session on "*The Big Challenges*". Dr. El-Sioufi is Head of the Shelter Branch at the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-HABITAT.

www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/june_2010/june_2010_el-sioufi.html

FIG Congress 2010 - Facing the Challenges – Building the Capacity - Biggest FIG Congress in the history full of professional highlights - Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010

Report from the congress:

www.fig.net/news/fig2010/index.htm

Report from the General Assembly

www.fig.net/news/fig2010/ga.htm

Congress proceedings:

www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/index.htm

Other reports from last month

FIG President Stig Enemark attends the 2nd European Conference on Cadastre in Bucharest, Romania, 7-8 May 2010



The Parliament Palace in Bucharest provided a perfect setting for the conference.

The conference entitled "*The Cadastral surveyor – Paving the Way to the Future*" was organized by the European Council of European Geodetic Surveyors (CLGE) in cooperation with the Romanian Association of Private Surveyors, the Romanian Geodetic Union, and the Romanian Agency of Cadastre and Land Registration. The conference also included the launch of the adopted "*Code of Conduct of the European Surveyors*" that is an important and very useful document also in a global context as well as the adoption of the Bucharest Declaration stating some key principles of the role of the cadastral surveyors in serving society. Read the report:

www.fig.net/news/news_2010/romania_may_2010.htm

FIG President Stig Enemark attends the Second Preparatory Meeting on the proposed United Nations Committee of Experts on Geographic Information Management, United Nations, New York, USA, 10-11 May 2010



New York

The meeting was organized by United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) in cooperation with the Cartographic Section of the Department of Field Services (DFS). Experts from 16 countries and 15 regional and international organizations attended the meeting. This second preparatory meeting was following the first meeting held in Bangkok in October 2009 with the purpose to establish a global mechanism for discussion and coordination of critical issues in the field of geographic information management.

Read the report:

www.fig.net/news/news_2010/un_may_2010.htm

New FIG Publications – now available both as .html and .pdf files

- FIG Publication No. 45: Land Governance in Support of the Millennium Development Goals. A New Agenda for Land Professionals. FIG / World Bank Conference, Washington DC, USA 9–10 March 2009. FIG Policy Statement, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub45/figpub45.htm
- FIG Publication No. 46: Enhancing Surveying Education through e-Learning. A publication of FIG Commission 2 – Professional Education. FIG Report, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub46/figpub46.htm
- FIG Publication No. 47: Institutional and Organisational Development - A Guide for Managers. FIG Guide, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub47/figpub47.htm
- FIG Publication No. 48: Rapid Urbanization and Mega Cities: The Need for Spatial Information Management. Research study by FIG Commission 3. FIG Report 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub48/figpub48.htm
- FIG Publication No. 49: Cost Effective GNSS Positioning Techniques. FIG Commission 5 Publication. FIG Report, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub49/figpub49.htm
- FIG Publication No. 50: History of Surveying. FIG Report 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub50/figpub50.htm
- FIG Publication No. 51: Hanoi Declaration: Land Acquisition in Emerging Economies. FIG Policy Statement, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub51/figpub51.htm
- FIG Publication No. 52: The Social Tenure Domain Model - A Pro-Poor Land Tool. FIG Report, 2010
www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub52/figpub52.htm
- FIG Annual Review 2009
www.fig.net/annual_review/anrew09/anrev09.htm
www.fig.net/annual_review/anrew09/areview2009.pdf

Job vacancies

www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm

Forthcoming events

10-13 July, San Diego, CA, USA

The 2010 Survey & Engineering GIS Summit. Organised as part of the ESRI User Conference. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: www.esri.com/events/survey/index.html

26-28 August, London, United Kingdom

FIG Commission 2 Workshop. Organised by FIG Commission 2.

Web site: www.uel.ac.uk/fig/

6-10 September, Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic

FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting and International Seminar.

Web site and registration: <http://figc7am2010.xf.cz>

15-17 September, Zurich, Switzerland

2010 International Conference on Indoor Positioning and Indoor Navigation (IPIN). Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5.

Web site: www.ipin.ethz.ch

15-17 September, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)

International Conference on Spatial Data Infrastructures 2010. Co-sponsored by FIG.

More information: dtodorovski@yahoo.co.uk

16-18 September, San Jose, Costa Rica

Geomatics, an integral discipline at obtaining and processing geospace data. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Invitation brochure: www.fig.net/events/2010/costa-rica-2010.pdf (pdf 4 Mb)

5-7 October, Cologne, Germany

INTERGEO.

Web site: www.intergeo.de

14-15 October, Niamey, Niger

Capacity building, professional ethics and organization of the surveying profession in West Africa. Workshop for West African countries organised by FGF in collaboration with UN-Habitat and GLTN. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: <http://www.fgf-geo.org/index.php>

8-10 November, Las Vegas, USA

Trimble Dimensions 2010 - Converge. Connect. Collaborate.

Web site: www.trimbledimensions.com

11-12 November, Mombasa, Kenya

FIG Africa Task Force Workshop. Organised by FIG Africa Task Force.

Web site: www.fig.net/commission8

14-17 November, Sofia Bulgaria

Joint FIG Commission 3 Annual Meeting and Comm. 3 and 7 Workshop on: "Information and Land Management. A Decade after the Millennium"

Web site: www.conference.kig-bg.org/

25-26 November, Copenhagen, Denmark

FIG Seminar and Handover Ceremony.

Web site: www.fig.net

18-22 May, Marrakech, Morocco

Bridging the Gap between Cultures. FIG Working Week and General Assembly.

Web site: www.fig.net/fig2011 and www.onigt.ma/fig2011

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