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**FIG e-Newsletter  
May 2007**

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG e-Newsletter, which brings you latest information about the 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 by e-mail monthly. 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.

**Article of the Month – May 2007**

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 May is written by Mr. Paul Kelly Chair of FIG Working Group 3.2, Australia. His paper "*Role of Spatial Data Infrastructures in Managing Our Cities*" was presented as keynote address at the FIG Commission 3 2007 Annual Meeting and Workshop "*Spatial Information Management Toward Legalizing Informal Urban Development*", Sounio, Athens, Greece, 28-31 March 2007

[http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/may\\_2007/may\\_2007\\_kelly.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/may_2007/may_2007_kelly.html)

**FIG Working Week and XXX General Assembly in Hong Kong SAR, China, 13-17 May 2007 - Strategic Integration of Surveying Services - First Working Week for the new FIG Council a big success**

The XXX FIG General Assembly and Working Week was organised in Hong Kong 13-17 May 2007. The theme of the Working Week was "*Strategic Integration of Surveying Services*". In the technical programme there were more than 250 papers in more than 60 sessions.

Report of the Conference and picture galleries:

[http://www.fig.net/news/hongkong\\_2007/index.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/hongkong_2007/index.htm)

**FIG General Assembly 13 and 17 May 2007**

FIG General Assembly was held in Hong Kong SAR 13 and 17 May 2007. The minutes are available on the FIG web site and will be sent to the members as hard copies within some days. Main issues on the agenda in Hong Kong were the FIG Council work plan for 2007-2010 and the Commission work plans 2007-2010. Read more:

Minutes: <http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2007/minutes.htm>

Minutes with appendices (as .pdf-file):

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2007/minutes/minutes\\_full.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2007/minutes/minutes_full.pdf) (51 pages and 1.56 MB).

**6<sup>th</sup> FIG Regional Conference, San Jose, Costa Rica, 12-15 November 2007**

Read more: [www.fig.net/costarica](http://www.fig.net/costarica)

Send your abstract now: <http://www.fig.net/abstractdb/submit.asp?id=8>

Register now (international): <https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=45>

**FIG Working Week 2008 in Stockholm, Sweden - 14-19 June 2008**

Read more: [www.fig.net/fig2008](http://www.fig.net/fig2008)

## News from last month

### **FIG President Stig Enemark visits the Institution of Surveyors of Kenya - Nairobi, Kenya, 19 April 2007**

Read more: [http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2007/isk\\_april\\_2007.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2007/isk_april_2007.htm)

### **Register to FIG events**

### **FIG Commission 2 Workshop – Scientia Est Potentia – Knowledge is Power, Prague, Czech Republic, 7-9 June 2007**

Read more: <http://geoinformatics.fsv.cvut.cz>

### **FIG Commission 9 Seminar on Compulsory Purchase and Compensation - Helsinki, Finland, 6-8 September 2007**

Read more: <http://www.tkk.fi/Yksikot/Kiinteisto/FIG/index.htm>

Register now online: <https://www.fig.net/registrations/reqform.asp?eventid=43>

### **Forthcoming events:**

### **5<sup>th</sup> National Congress on Major Structuring Projects: Basis of Human Development, Casablanca, Morocco, 15-16 June 2007**

Co-sponsored by FIG.

Read more: [www.onigt.ma](http://www.onigt.ma)

### **5<sup>th</sup> Annual ESRI Survey & Engineering GIS Summit, San Diego, CA, USA, 16-19 June 2007**

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Read more: [www.esricom/events/survey](http://www.esricom/events/survey)

### **Good Land Administration and Its Role in Economic Development – Practices and Experiences in Asia and Europe, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 27-29 June 2007**

Co-sponsored by FIG.

Read more: [www.la-east-west.mn](http://www.la-east-west.mn)

### **5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Current and Future Trends in Bridge Design, Construction and Maintenance, Beijing, China P. R., 17-18 September 2007**

Co-sponsored by FIG WG 6.4.

Read more: [www.bridgemanagement2007.com](http://www.bridgemanagement2007.com)

### **21<sup>st</sup> International CIPA Symposium on "AntiCIPAting the Future of the Cultural Past", Athens, Greece, 1-6 October 2007**

Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 3.

Read more: [www.survey.ntua.gr/hosted/cipathens\\_2007](http://www.survey.ntua.gr/hosted/cipathens_2007)

### **GeoCongress Quebec 2007 – Histoire de voir le monde and General Assembly of the Federation des Géomètres Francophones, Quebec City, Canada, 2-5 October 2007**

Read more: [www.quebec2007.ca](http://www.quebec2007.ca)

### **9<sup>th</sup> South East Asian Survey Congress incorporating FIG Commissions 4 and 5 workshops, Christchurch, New Zealand, 29 October – 1 November 2007**

FIG Co-sponsored and recommended event. Read more:

[www.surveyors.org.nz/congress2007](http://www.surveyors.org.nz/congress2007)

### **International Symposium "Modern Technologies, Education and Professional Practice in Geodesy and Related Fields, Sofia, Bulgaria, 8-10 November 2007**

Co-sponsored by FIG.

Read more: [www.gis-sofia.bg/sgzb](http://www.gis-sofia.bg/sgzb)

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