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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.

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



For those who will be participating we welcome you next week to the FIG Working Week and General Assembly 2011 which will be held in Marrakech, Morocco 18-22 May 2011 in the Palais de Congres.

To help your planning we have gathered some useful links for you:

Web site: www.fig.net/fig2011 and www.onigt.ma/fig2011 (French and Arabic).

Registration: <https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=74>

Technical programme: <http://www.fig.net/fig2011/techprog.htm>

Draft Proceedings: <http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2011/index.htm>

Programme Book: http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2011/programme_book.pdf

Technical Programme booklet: <http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2011/techprog.pdf>

Instructions for participants: www.fig.net/fig2011/participant_information_letter.pdf

Instructions for speakers: http://www.fig.net/fig2011/speaker_preparation_letter.pdf

Please notice that there is a change in venue for the first part of the General Assembly on Wednesday 18 May 2011

New venue:

Ryad Mogador Hotel, Salle Mazagan, Ave. Mohammed VI, Marrakech

The hotel is close to the Congress Center. There will be signs showing where the hotel is located.

Report of the Visit of the Local Organising Committee to Marrakech 3-4 May 2011 - Announcements for FIG Working Week 2011 participants



Meetings of the organising committee in Marrakech

The Local Organising Committee of FIG Working Week 2011 visited Marrakech 3-4 May 2011 to discuss the security and other last minute issues with national and local authorities. After the visit of LOC to Marrakech 3-4 FIG President CheeHai Teo has given the following statement 6 May 2011:

"FIG welcomes the efforts of ONIGT, the local co-organizer, to engage various authorities including the Ministry of the Interior and the Governor of the Marrakech Region to implement appropriate arrangements and measures aimed at assuring the security and safety of all participants at the upcoming FIG Working Week. FIG thanked the Moroccan authorities for their continuing support and assurances, as well as all the additional measures taken. We look towards a successful Working Week."

Full report:

www.fig.net/news/news_2011/morocco_may_2011.htm

FIG General Assembly 2011 - Marrakech, Morocco, 18 and 22 May 2011



Palais des Congrès, Marrakech

The main issues on the General Assembly agenda in 2011 will be adoption of the Council and Commission work plans. These will be our roadmap over the next four years. As there will be no election at this year's General Assembly, there will be more time available for discussions. The Council will organize a break-out session focusing particularly on issues related to the rights and obligations of membership (voting rights). The General Assembly Agenda has been sent to all members of FIG. Please also find the agenda here:

<http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2011/agenda.htm>

Article of the Month – May 2011

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 2011 is written by Peter VAN Oosterom, Jantien Stoter, Hendrik Ploeger, The Netherlands, Rod Thompson and Sudarshan Karki, Australia: World-wide Inventory of the Status of 3D-Cadastres in 2010 and Expectations for 2014. This paper has been selected to the article of the month because of the increased interest on 3D-cadastre. The paper will be presented at a session on 3D-cadastres at the FIG Working Week in Marrakech in May 2011.

http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/may_2011/may_2011_vanoosterom_stoter_et_al.html

Reports from last month

FIG Participation to the World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty - Washington DC, USA, 18-20 April 2011

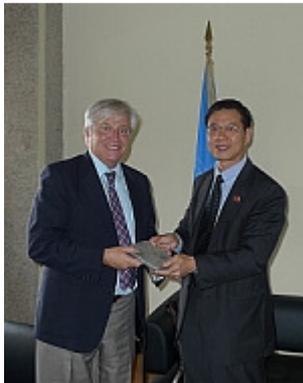


World Bank Land Conference in April.

The 2011 edition of the World Bank's Land Conference continues to bring together policy makers, practitioners, professionals and participants from academia and civil societies. This year's event included country specific focus on improving land governance at country level from Brazil, PR China, Ethiopia, Ghana, India and Rwanda. President CheeHai Teo attended the Conference and chaired the session on "Making Land Administration Accessible" on the morning of 20th April.

http://www.fig.net/news/news_2011/wb_april_2011.htm

President CheeHai Teo met Dr. Joan Clos, United Nations Under Secretary-General/Executive Director of United Nations Human Settlement Programme (UN-HABITAT) at the United Nations Office - Nairobi, Kenya, 11-15 April 2011



ED **Joan Clos**, UN-HABITAT and President **CheeHai Teo**.

President CheeHai Teo attended the 23rd Governing Council of UN-HABITAT in Nairobi 11-15 April 2011 and met with the Executive Director Dr. Joan Clos during his visit. President Teo made a courtesy call on Dr. Clos during the Governing Council; the meeting was also attended by Mr. Mohamed El-Sioufi (Head, Shelter Branch, Global Division), Ms. Clarissa Augustinus (Chief, Land, Tenure and Property Administration Section, Shelter Branch) and Mr. Danilo Antonio (Global Land Tools Network Secretariat, Land, Tenure and Property Administration Section). It was a most cordial meeting, the first between the newly appointed Executive Director of UN-Habitat and FIG. The resolution on "Sustainable urbanization through equitable access to land, housing, basic services and infrastructure" was adopted at the 23rd Governing Council of UN-HABITAT, Nairobi, Kenya, 15th April 2011.

http://www.fig.net/news/news_2011/nairobi_april_2011.htm

FIG Commission 7 Workshop FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting 2011 and International Symposium „Cadastre 2.0“ 25 September - 1 October 2011, Grillhof, Innsbruck, Austria



Invitation

The traditional Commission 7 Annual Meeting will be held in Innsbruck, Austria. As a part of the Annual Meeting, a one-day international Symposium on "Cadastre 2.0" will be organised on 30 September 2011.

<https://sites.google.com/site/figsymposium2011/>

Invitation:

http://www.fig.net/events/2011/comm_7_innsbruck_2011.pdf

FIG Commission 5 and 6 Workshop "Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth" - Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 4-8 September 2011



Invitation brochure.

The third FIG Commissions 5 and 6 Workshop on "Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth Resources" will be held for the first time in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 4-8 September 2011. The Workshop is organized by the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG), Mongolian Association of Geodesy Photogrammetry & Cartography (MAGP&C) and Siberian State Academy of Geodesy (SSGA). Invitation brochure:

www.fig.net/commission5/mongolia_2011/mongolia_sept_2011.pdf

Job vacancies (incl. Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, New Mexico State University and UN-HABITAT (Call for expression of interest).

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

Forthcoming events

18-22 May, Marrakech, Morocco



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

- Web site: <http://www.fig.net/fig2011> and www.onigt.ma/fig2011
- Registration for the Working Week 2011: <https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=74>

6-9 June 2011, Orlando, Florida, USA

Hexagon 2011" international Conference. The User Conference includes GEOSYSTEMS @ HEXAGON 2011 track.

Website: www.hexagonconference.com

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/

24-26 June, Kladovo, Serbia

I International Scientific Conference and XXIV Meeting Of Serbian Surveyors "Professional Practice and Education in Geodesy and Related Fields". Organised by The Serbian Union of Surveyors together with University Of Belgrade - Faculty of Civil Engineering and University of Novi Sad - Faculty of Technical Sciences. Co-sponsored by FIG.

More information: http://www.fig.net/events/2011/serbia_june_2011.pdf (pdf 166 kb)

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

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

19-22 July, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, USA

SAGES/FIG Workshop on Curriculum and Core Survey Knowledge. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 2.

Web site: www.sages2011.uprm.edu

31 August - 2 September, Copenhagen, Denmark

3rd International Colloquium - Scientific and Fundamental Aspects of the Galileo Programme, organised by The European Space Agency (ESA) and the Technical University of Denmark. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5.

Web site: <http://www.congrex.nl/11A12/>

4-8 September, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

International Workshop on Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth Resources. Third International Workshop organised by Siberian State Academy of Geodesy and FIG Commissions 5 and 6.

14-16 September, Zurich, Switzerland

UAV-g 2011 - Unmanned Aerial Vehicle in Geomatics. Technical sessions at ETH Zurich on September 14 and 16, and invitation to system providers, researchers and users to contribute with live demonstrations at Airfield Birrfeld on 15 September. Organised by ETH Zurich and co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5 and 6.

Web site: <http://www.uav-g.ethz.ch>

19-20 September, Skopje Macedonia

International NSDI Conference: Impact of the NSDI in Society, Challenges for Establishment. Organised by Government of the Republic of Macedonia, Agency for Real Estate Cadastre and Faculty of Civil Engineering. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Invitation: http://www.fig.net/events/2011/nsdi_macedonia_2011.pdf (pdf 449 kb)

Web site: www.katastar.gov.mk/nsdi2011/

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 6.

More information: http://www.fig.net/events/2011/ingeo_2011.pdf

Web Site: <http://web.svf.stuba.sk/kat/GDE/Ingeo2011/Ingeo.html>

25 September–1 October, Innsbruck, Austria

FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting 2011 and International Symposium "Cadastre 2.0" Organised by FIG Commission 7.

Web site: <https://sites.google.com/site/figsymposium2011/>

27-29 September 2011, Nürnberg, Germany

INTERGEO, Conference and trade fair for geodesy, geo information and land management

Web site: <http://www.intergeo.de/en/englisch/index.php>

28-30 September, Ilidza, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Second Congress on Cadastre in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Organised by Geodetic Society of Herzeg-Bosnia (GSHB). Co-sponsored by FIG.

More information: http://www.fig.net/events/2011/bosnia-herzegovina_congress_2011.pdf

16-18 November 2011, Delft, the Netherlands

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

Web site: <http://3dcadastres2011.nl/>

21-23 November 2011, Vienna, Austria

8th Symposium on Location-based Services. Organised by Vienna University of Technology. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5.

Web site: <http://www.lbs2011.org/>

23-25 November, Warsaw, Poland

3rd Cadastral Congress "Cadastre in the sustainable management of space". Organised by the Association of Polish Surveyors and Surveyor General of Poland, and co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: <http://www.congress.sgp.geodezja.org.pl/>

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