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## **FIG e-Newsletter February 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.

### **Article of the Month – February 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 February 2010 is "Land Acquisition in Developing Economies". It is written by Ms. **Jude Wallace**, Australia. This paper is based on the keynote presentation that Jude Wallace gave at the 7th FIG Regional Conference in Hanoi, Vietnam, 19-22 October 2009. This invited paper addresses the issue of land acquisition in emerging economies that will be further explored in the FIG publication to be launched at the FIG Congress in Sydney in April 2010.

[http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/february\\_2010/february\\_2010\\_wallace.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/february_2010/february_2010_wallace.html)

### **FIG Congress 2010 - Facing the Challenges – Building the Capacity, Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010**



*FIG Congress 2010 - Facing the Challenges – Building the Capacity* will be held in **Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010**. Online registration is open, see more details on the congress web site: [www.fig2010.com](http://www.fig2010.com). The organisers have received 900 proposals from more than 80 countries for presentations in the technical programme. This is the biggest number in any FIG conference. There will be more than 150 technical sessions, workshops, special forums etc. More than 1,500 people have already registered from 100 countries - so a congress not to be missed. Final Invitation brochure: [www.fig.net/fig\\_2010/fig2010\\_final\\_invitation.pdf](http://www.fig.net/fig_2010/fig2010_final_invitation.pdf) (20 pages, 1.26 MB)  
Online registration: <http://www.fig2010.com/registration.php>  
Technical programme: <http://www.fig2010.com/program-technical.php>  
Congress web site: [www.fig2010.com](http://www.fig2010.com)

### **FIG General Assembly 2010 - Agenda for the FIG General Assembly is now available General Assembly will elect the new FIG President for 2011-2014, 2 Vice Presidents, appoint Chairs of all FIG Commissions and decide on the venue for FIG 2014**

Candidates for FIG Congress 2014:



At its meeting in Sydney, Australia 11-16 April 2010 the FIG General Assembly will elect the FIG President, 2 Vice Presidents, Chair of each of the 10 Commissions for 2011-2014, and select the venue for the FIG Congress 2014.

The Council has received three nominations for the post of the FIG President:

**Iain Greenway** (RICS, UK),

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Istanbul, Turkey.

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_20\\_01\\_greenway.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_20_01_greenway.pdf)

**Matt Higgins** (SSSI, Australia)

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_20\\_02\\_higgins.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_20_02_higgins.pdf)

**Teo CheeHai** (AALSM, Malaysia)

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_20\\_03\\_teo.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_20_03_teo.pdf)

Nomination template for each candidate is included in the agenda papers. Each candidate will make his presentation at the first session of the General Assembly 11 April 2010. All elections and voting will take place at the second session of the General Assembly on 16 April 2010.

The Council has received also three nominations for Vice Presidents:

**Dalal Alnaggar** (ECSM, Egypt),

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_21\\_01\\_alnaggar.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_21_01_alnaggar.pdf)

**Chryssy Potsiou** (TCG and HARSE, Greece)

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_21\\_02\\_potsiou.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_21_02_potsiou.pdf)

**Rudolf Staiger** (DVW, Germany)

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app\\_21\\_03\\_staiger.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda/app_21_03_staiger.pdf)

The General Assembly will elect two Vice Presidents for 2011-2014 and if needed one Vice President for 2011-2012. The candidates will make their presentations at the first session of the General Assembly and their nomination templates are included in the agenda papers.

The Council has received two bids to host FIG Congress 2014: **Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** and **Istanbul, Turkey**. Introductions of these two destinations will be made 11 April and the decision on 16 April 2010. Evaluation report and the bids will be published 15 March 2010.

The **agenda papers** for the General Assembly are now available on the web. The FIG Office will send hard copies of the agenda (without appendices) to all FIG members before **11 February 2010**.

See the agenda: <http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/agenda.htm>

You can download the agenda here as a .pdf file (21 pages)

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/ga\\_agenda\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/ga_agenda_2010.pdf)

The full agenda (194 pages, 5.54 MB):

[http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/ga\\_agenda\\_2010\\_full.pdf](http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2010/ga_agenda_2010_full.pdf)

### **FIG President Stig Enemark attends the Private Sector Consultation meeting: Voluntary Guidelines on responsible governance of tenure of land and other natural resources - RICS Headquarters, London, United Kingdom, 25-26 January 2010**



**Clarissa Augustinus**, UN-HABITAT; **Stig Enemark**, FIG, and **Paul Munro Favre**, FAO at the RICS Headquarters, London.

FAO and its partners are preparing Voluntary Guidelines to improve the governance of tenure and other natural resources. Such voluntary guidelines are to assist States, civil society and the private sector in improving the governance of tenure, and thus contribute to alleviation of hunger and poverty, empowering the poor and vulnerable, enhancing the environment, supporting national and local economic development, and reforming public administration. The meeting in London for private sector was a key part of the consultation process in this regard.

Read more: [http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/london\\_january\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/london_january_2010.htm)

## **Forthcoming events:**

### **Invitation to GhIS/CASLE/FIG Conference in Accra Ghana, 22-28 February 2010**

The Ghana Institution of Surveyors, CASLE and FIG Commission 8 will jointly organise an international conference "*The Surveyor: Partner In National Development - Towards the Millennium Development Goals - Taking Stock of Progress*" in Accra Ghana 22-28 February 2010.

See the programme and register at: <http://www.ghisonline.org/21/129/GhIS-Online-News.html?item=341>.

Read the invitation: <http://www.fig.net/commission8/events/accra-conference-2010.pdf>

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

### **XXIV FIG International Congress - Facing the Challenges - Building the Capacity and XXXIII General Assembly, Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010**

Read more: [www.fig2010.com](http://www.fig2010.com).

#### **4-5 March, Baku, Azerbaijan**

UNECE WPLA Workshop on "Efficient and Transparent Land Management in ECE Countries", co-sponsored by FIG Commission 3

<http://www.fig.net/commission3>

#### **9-11 March, Bonn, Germany**

2nd International Conference on Machine Control & Guidance. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5 and 6.

Web site: [www.mcg.uni-bonn.de](http://www.mcg.uni-bonn.de)

#### **22-24 April, Lviv, Ukraine**

15th International Conference Geoforum 2010.

Web site: [www.lp.edu.ua/geoforum/](http://www.lp.edu.ua/geoforum/)

Deadline for papers: **24 January 2010**.

#### **27-29 April 2010, Novosibirsk, Russian Federation**

The Sixth International Exhibition and Scientific Congress Industrial Forum "GEO-SIBERIA-2009". Organised by Siberian State Academy of Geodesy and ITE Siberian Fair.

Web site: <http://geosiberia.sibfair.ru/eng/>

#### **10-11 May, Hannover, Lower Saxony, Germany**

International Land Management Symposium on "Strategies for Improving Urban – Rural Inter-Relationships, Best Practice and Regional Solutions" Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 3

<http://www.fig.net/commission3>

#### **14-15 May 2010, Alba Iulia, Romania**

GeoCAD'2010 Geodesy, Topography, Cadastre and Land Registry. Organised by "1 Decembrie 1918" University of Alba Iulia – Faculty of Sciences University of West Hungary – Faculty of Geoinformatics, Székesfehérvár National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registry, Agency of Alba County. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 2

#### **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](http://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.fig.net/commission2](http://www.fig.net/commission2)

**15-17 September, Zurich, Switzerland**

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

Web site: <http://www.ipin.ethz.ch>

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

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

Web site: <http://www.agisee.org/sdiconf2010.htm>

**September, Czech Republic**

FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting.

Web site: [www.fig.net/commission7](http://www.fig.net/commission7)

**14-17 November, Sofia Bulgaria**

Joint FIG Com3 and Com7 Annual Meeting and Workshop on: "Information and Land Management. A Decade after the Millennium",

**25-26 November, Copenhagen**

FIG Seminar and Handover Ceremony.

Web site: [www.fig.net](http://www.fig.net)

Contact: [fig@fig.net](mailto:fig@fig.net)

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

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

Web site: [www.fig.net](http://www.fig.net)

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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