

# Review and Impact of the Six Statements of ‘Cadastre 2014’

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## SUMMARY

During the XX. FIG Congress 1994 in Melbourne, Australia the FIG Commission 7 mandated a working group with the task to reflect on the developments in the field of modern cadastres and to imagine ‘How the cadastre would look like in 20 years’. Jürg Kaufmann was the chair and with his Secretary, Daniel Steudler, he established a concept of how to tackle the task together with FIG delegates, which numbered about 40 people participating in at least one annual meeting. The issue was discussed at four annual meetings of Commission 7: 1994 in Fredericton, Canada; 1995 in Delft, The Netherlands; 1996 in Budapest, Hungary; and 1997 in Penang, Malaysia. A one-day seminar on ‘Modern Cadastres and Cadastral Innovations’ was organized during the Delft meeting. Already in this seminar the six statements on the future cadastral systems were presented as: (1) Cadastre 2014 will show the complete legal situation of land, including public rights and restrictions! (2) The separation between ‘maps’ and ‘registers’ will be abolished! (3) The Cadastral mapping will be dead! Long live modelling! (4) ‘Paper and pencil - cadastre’ will have gone! (5) Cadastre 2014 will be highly privatized! Public and private sector are working closely together! (6) Cadastre 2014 will be cost recovering! The topic was increasingly refined until the results were published during the XXI. FIG Congress held in Brighton, UK in 1998 in the brochure ‘Cadastre 2014’. After publication the booklet was translated in many languages and began to impact the thinking. Not all of the statements were implemented equally quick or intensely. While some of them became reality due to the general development, others needed more effort because mental or legal changes were to be undergone before the conditions were ready for action. This paper shows how and to which extent the statements impacted the development of cadastral systems.