

Dear Friend and Colleague,

It is our great pleasure and honor to invite you and your colleagues to attend the **XXV International Congress** which will take place at **3.153889000°N 101.713056000°E** from 16 to 21 June 2014. It is the first time the FIG Congress will be held in Asia, and the congress will be one of the premier events within the surveying profession in 2014!

The four consecutive congress days, 17 – 20 June will give you an interesting mix of:

- Plenary sessions, where high level key note speakers deal with key challenges within the surveying profession.
- A variety of technical sessions, workshop and forum. Presentations will comprise of peer reviewed, scientific, academic, technical and practical papers, and all in all this will allow more than 600 presentations in the entire broadness of the surveying profession.
- An inspiring exhibition, 17 19 June, where many companies will showcase their products and services.
- Several technical tours aimed at highlighting the role of the profession in Malaysia, as well as
- A range of social tours, showing the best part of Kuala Lumpur and it surroundings, thus giving you an unique impression of the multifarious culture of Malaysia.
- And did we mention the Malaysian dinner as well as Gala dinner...

To sum up the FIG Congress offers you opportunities to expand your knowledge base, network with fellow peers in your field and just having fun!

We are in the midst of finalizing the technical programme, which will be published soon!

We are proud already now to announce the general focus for the plenary sessions.

Each day invited international recognized experts will deal with topics within the overall theme of the congress "*Engaging the challenges, Enhancing the Relevance*". They will address key challenges of our time within the surveying profession:

17 June 2014

"Humanity faces a series of challenges including that of undernourishment, shelter and climate change. These challenges are present and the Profession must engage these challenges with its sciences, technologies and practices"

18 June 2014

"The Profession has key roles towards the betterment of society, environment and economy and need to attend to emerging issues and trends"

19 June 2014

"The Profession has key roles towards the betterment of society, environment and economy and must

continue its march to the top, towards professional significance and relevance"

20 June 2014

On the horizon is the Post-2015 Development Agenda, the successor to the Millennium Development Goals. In 2013, the United Nations convened High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda submitted it's report titled the "World We Want" with a vision for a New Global Partnership to eradicate poverty and transform economies through sustainable development. The session will consider how information management, the land and the seas will lead humanity towards

the "World We Want".

Session chair: FIG President, Mr. CheeHai Teo

For more information and to register, please visit the congress web site at www.fig.net/fig2014

FIG and the Local Organizing Committee look very much forward to welcoming everyone in Kuala Lumpur in June 2014.

Best Regards, Claudia Stormoen FIG event and office Coordinator

