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To:

FIG Affiliate Members

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Dear Director Generals,

It is a long-standing FIG tradition to provide an international forum to our affiliate members and invite Director Generals (and/or their deputies) to participate, meet and exchange experiences during the FIG Working Weeks and Congresses. As before, this year in our Working Week in New Zealand we will have two sessions of 90 minutes each, most likely on Tuesday 3 May 2016 14:00-17:30.

Following the DG Forum in Sofia, Bulgaria, in 2015, we will again focus on 3D mapping in the first session. This is an issue of growing importance, and the objective is to share the latest developments and lessons – not only in technical aspects but maybe more concerning financing, benefits and involvement of stakeholders. We would very much like to invite 2-3 “volunteers” who are willing to share news with the rest of us to prepare short presentations (15 min each)!

The UN GGIM initiative has grown in importance, and in involvement of UN member states. A number of Work Groups have been started at global level in the five UN regions. One of these groups concerns Disaster Risk Reduction, where 3D mapping can be a very important tool, e.g. in predicting and monitoring the effects of erosion, floods and other natural disasters. Our intention is to present what this Work Group is doing, and how our organizations can get involved and contribute to this important work.

Any questions, or expression of interest to present your 3D mapping experiences, can be sent to Louise Friis-Hansen at louise.friis-hansen@fig.net.

We look forward to seeing you in Christchurch!

Kind regards,

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Chryssy Potsiou
FIG President

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Bengt Kjellson
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More information on the Working Week 2016 at: www.fig.net/fig2016