The Role of FIG

In contribution to professional development and the global agenda

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FIG Highlights 2008-2009

• **FIG Working Week, Stockholm**
  - Highly successful conference
  - Strengthening co-operations with UN-Habitat
  - Publication contributing to the global agenda

• **Joint FIG/World Bank Conference,**
  - Highly successful and high level conference
  - 200 invited experts from throughout the world
  - High recognition of FIG in Land Governance
  - Publication contributing to the global agenda
President schedule June 2008 – May 2009

13-20 June FIG Working Week, Stockholm, Sweden
4-8 July, ISPRS Congress, Beijing, China
28-31 July, Sydney, Australia, preparations for the FIG Congress, April 2010
9-15 September, FIG/FAO workshop and Com 7 Annual Meeting, Verona, Italy
17-19 September, CLGE Congress, Strasbourg, France
15-17 October, SCS Annual conference, Dublin, Ireland
3-7 November, UN-Habitat WUF, Nanjing, China
10-14 Sydney, Australia, preparations for FIG Congress, April 2010
24-25 November, FAO EGM meeting, Rome, Italy
16-21 December, Rabat/Marrakech, Morocco, preparation for FIG WW 2011
30 January-1 February, DdL Annual meeting, Nyborg, Denmark
10-13 February, Map World Forum, Hyderabad, India
13-14 February, Survey of India, Delhi, India
18-18 February, Department of Surveying and Mapping, Kathmandu, Nepal.
26-28 February, FIG Commission 2 workshop, Vienna, Austria
9-11 March, Joint FIG/WB conference, Washington, USA
30 March-3 April, UN-Habitat Governing Council meeting, Nairobi, Kenya
18-22 April GeoSibiria, Novosibirsk, Russia
2 - 8 May, FIG Working Week, Eilat, Israel

98 FIG member associations from 80 countries
28 affiliates, 37 corporate, 15 correspondents, 81 academic members
The International Federation of Surveyors
Organizational Structure

FIG Foundation
- Annual General Assembly
  - 99 member associations (81 countries)

FIG Office
- Council
  - President and 4 Vice-Presidents

ACCO
- Advisory Committee
  - of Commission Officers

Com1
- Practice

Com2
- Education

Com3
- Spot Inf. Mgt.

Com4
- Hydrography

Com5
- Post. & MAs

Com6
- Eng. Survey

Com7
- Cad & Land

Com8
- Spot Plan & Dev

Com9
- Valuation

Com10
- Cad & Land

The Role of FIG

- Professional Development
  - Global forum for professional discussions and interactions through conferences, symposia, commission working groups, ...

- Institutional Development
  - Capacity building through Institutional support for educational and professional and institutional development at national level

- Global Development
  - Cooperation with the UN agencies, FAO, UN.Habitat and World Bank, and sister organisations through Joint Board of Geospatial Information Societies.

- Information and Communication
  - website, annual review, publications

- FIG Office
  - administration, finances,
### Professional Development

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**Commission work plans**
- 10 technical commissions
- Interaction with national delegates

**Commission working groups**
- Interaction with national delegates

**Commission workshops and seminars**
- Especially Com 2, 3, 6, 7 and 9 has been very active in this regard

### Institutional Development

**Member support**
- FIG provide institutional support to help members to help building educational programs and their institutional basis
- And to help national agencies to build systems in surveying, mapping and land management
  - Latin America (regional institution)
  - Africa, (Francophone countries), Task Force.
  - Arab countries (Arab union of surveyors)
  - Asia (Nepal, India, Central Asia)

**Task Forces**
- Guidelines on Institutional and Organisational Development
- Previously: Mutual recognition; Code of Ethics
- New: Spatial Enabled Society; Africa Task Force

**Networks**
- Standards
- Young Surveyors
Global Development

**FAO**, projects on capacity building, good governance, land economics,

**UN-HABITAT**, partner in the GLTN network, projects on informal settlement, informal development, gendered land tools, etc.

**World Bank**, joint activities; publications, and joint conference March 2009 on Land Governance in support of the MDGs

Global partnership is the link that drives development for achieving the global agenda such as the MDGs

Global recognition ➔ national recognition ➔ local recognition

Global development Partnership with UN-Habitat

**Informal settlements**

Traditional cadastral systems do not provide for security of tenure in informal settlements.

A more flexible system is needed for identifying the various kind of social tenure existing in informal settlements.

Such systems must be based on a global standard and must be manageable by the local community itself:

FLC cooperates with UN-Habitat, ITC and the World Bank to develop the STDM model that is design as a basic tool for poverty alleviation.
Information and communication

**Web site**
The key means of communication in a global organisation. An actual, factual, interesting, informative, updated, complete, accessible, source of information and knowledge.

**Commission newsletters**
Targeted information from the work of the individual commissions and their working

**President's letter**
Biannual communication president to president

**Annual review**
Annual overview of the FIG activities in an easy accessible presentation

**Publications**
FIG publication series with four groups of policy statements, guides, reports, and FIG regulations.

**FIG profile**

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**FIG publications**

[Images of various FIG publications]

www.FIG.net
Management and administration

FIG
Is a global NGO based on voluntary work from the council and the commission officers as well as national members, delegates and others.

The Council
Leadership and executive management; promotion of profession; member support; event development; global development.

The Commissions
Professional development and innovation in all areas of surveying in cooperation with national delegates.

FIG Office
General administration; financial management; member services; council and commission support and services; general communication; event management.

The high level of activity and development can only be sustained by highly professional administrative support.

Thank you very much