General

OICRF – the International Office for Cadastre and Land Records – is one of the permanent bodies of the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG). OICRF serves as a documentation and study centre for land administration and is charged with the following tasks:

- collecting and systematically filing and indexing all documentation material relating to existing cadastres and land registration systems,
- conducting comparative studies of this material and publishing the results,
- providing information and advice on all cadastres and land registration systems to all interested persons and institutions for the purposes of study or to help countries wishing to set up a cadastre or land registration system or improve an existing system,
- maintaining the documentation system on a daily basis.

The digital Land Administration Library in 2010

OICRF maintains a digital library that contains approximately 9,550 publications (1st of January 2011), which include things such as conference documents, magazine articles and reports on land administration.

All of the available documents and the most recent publications can be accessed electronically at www.oicrf.org and downloaded in portable document format.
Users can also trace documents linked to a certain event, such as papers linked to a specific conference or seminar. The website is a popular resource. In 2010 the digital library got about 21,816 visitors from all over the world (145 countries). About 7,355 papers have been downloaded. This number is based on the application of Google Analytics; visits from search engines are excluded in this.

Change of Office

The FIG General Assembly appointed Christiaan Lemmen (The Netherlands) as the new OICRF Director at its meeting in Sydney, Australia in April 2010. Christiaan Lemmen succeeded Prof. Paul van der Molen, who was the OICRF Director for more than 15 years. Ms. Pauline van Elsland succeeded Christiaan Lemmen as the OICRF Secretary.

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Comparative studies in 2010

In 2010 OICRF published several comparative studies:


van der Molen, P. and Jansen, L.J.M. (2010) Rural and urban land management: the role of the Netherlands government as policy maker and as landowner + powerpoint. Presented at the International Land Management Symposium, 10 May 2010, Hannover, Germany. 20 p


