Background

- FIG has set its work plan 2006-2010 which is directly linked to the UN Millennium Development Goals, namely the 8th goal:
  - Develop a Global Partnership for Development.
The Quebec Workshop on Land Administration

50 participants from 20 countries:

- **Africa**: Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroun, D. R. Congo, Ivory-Coast, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Morocco, Niger, Senegal;
- **North America**: Canada, USA
- **Latin America**: Peru
- **Asia**: India, Sri Lanka
- **Europe**: Belgium, Denmark, France, Sweden
The Quebec Workshop on Land Administration

International organizations represented:
- FIG
- Fédération des géomètres francophones
- UN HABITAT
- World Bank
- Organisation internationale de la Francophonie

Programme for the workshop

- International organisations: UN Habitat, World Bank and FIG
- Observations:
  - Common view on the challenging problems
  - Need for institutional reforms/good governance
  - Land registration is complicated
  - Need for qualified people
  - Land registration not technical – it is for people
Programme for the workshop

- Land administration experiences: Sri Lanka, Cameroun, Morocco and Peru
- Observations:
  - Land surveyors have an important role in reconstruction after natural disasters
  - There is an urgent need for cadastral reforms and training programs
  - Difficult to deal with national disasters without Spatial data infrastructure, without cadastre
  - Land surveyors have to cooperate with other professionnals

Working sessions: 4 groups working on the question: How can the international geocommunity help developing a global partnership for development:

1. to improve secure land tenure?
2. to better respond to the need for reconstruction and resettlement after a natural disaster?
3. to develop capacity building?
Observations - to improve secure land tenure?:

– We have to learn how to talk to politicians.
– We should encourage cooperation to develop exchanges at a human level.
– Develop public/private partnerships
– Inform the population about the importance of land rights infrastructure.
– Develop training programs.
– Systems and laws to manage customary and informal rights.
– Registration systems: public and transparent.
– Find a way to improve and transform existing systems (land registry and cadastre)

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Observations - to better respond to the need for reconstruction and resettlement after a natural disaster?:

– Encourage the authorities to implement and secure cadastral system and land registry in the area presenting a risk of natural disaster.
– This land infrastructure is of high importance to facilitate reconstruction and resettlement after such a disaster.
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Observations - to better respond to the need for reconstruction and resettlement after a natural disaster?:

– Develop emergency plans (who is doing what?) using the power of geomatics and the expertise of land surveyors.
– Develop a better knowledge of risks at a global level and be more aware and to mitigate the consequences of natural disasters.
– Help in the establishment of refugees camps.
– We should have access to legal land spatial data in case of natural disaster (standardized formats).
– We have to develop the capacity of professionals.

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Observations - to develop capacity building?:

– The main need: technical and professional training.
– Developing countries need help to create organised professional structures ensuring professional ethic.
– Develop relationships between land surveyors and geomaticians to have a stronger influence.
– Implicate local communities in decision process
– Find ways to promote and facilitate the involvement of voluntary land surveyors or students cooperation to participate in capacity building
– Land surveyors have the qualifications to train politicians in good land governance
Conclusion and follow up

• The outcomes of this fruitful workshop will be very useful for both the Fédération des géomètres francophones and the International Federation of Surveyors.

Conclusion and follow up

For more details:
• www.fig.net/commission7
• www.Quebec2007.ca