

**Report to the 29th General Assembly
FIG Congress in Munich, October 2006**

FIG Commission 10 – Construction Economics and Management

Draft Work Plan 2007-2010

1. Title

Construction Economics and Management

2. Terms of Reference

- Construction Economics, including Quantity Surveying, Building Surveying, Cost Engineering and Management, Estimating and Tendering
- Commercial Management including Procurement, Risk Management and Contract Law for construction and non construction activity
- Project and Programme Management including Planning / Scheduling.

3. Mission Statement

- To promote discussion of professional practice of surveyors working in all disciplines of Construction Economics and Management
- To research and identify “best practice” of surveyors working in different cultures and economies
- To facilitate the exchange and interchange of information, knowledge and experience between surveyors
- To publicise the work of surveyors to the public, particularly young people, governments and non-governmental organisations and enhance their perception of the value of surveyors and the services that they provide
- To co-operate and work with fellow surveyors in all branches and groupings of the profession to advance the objectives of FIG.

4. General

An extensive paper setting out an Agenda for the future work and direction of Commission 10 was published in November 2005. This paper was circulated to FIG council members and other Commissions (Chairs and Chairs elect) as well as the named delegates of those Member Associations nominating a representative to Commission 10. It was also published in the FIG Newsletter and placed on the website. Very little response has been received.

Therefore this Work Plan is tentative pending the Congress and Working Week in Munich, when further efforts will be made to secure active participation in Commission 10's work; It is hoped to secure the active participation of more Member Associations than have committed to date.

The remit of the proposed three Working groups has been written wide so as to allow them optimum flexibility to encourage participation. The work plans will be developed and finalised for presentation at the Working Week in Hong Kong, May 2007.

Commission 10 is keen to work with other Commissions so as to achieve unity of purpose in the pursuit of inter-disciplinary interests.

5. Working Groups

Working group 10.1 – Construction Economics

Policy Issues

- Map skills and knowledge process for both Quantity Surveyors and Building Surveyors
- Research current practice in differing cultures and economies to develop and publish generic guidelines as to “best practice”
- To monitor and, if possible, join and contribute to research projects being carried out by others.

Chair

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Specific Projects

- To work with other Commissions to support their work on the technical and cost issues of affordable housing and associated matters in developing and emerging economies
- To support and monitor the Commission’s attention to all minority interest issues.

Workshop(s)

Publication(s)

- Report at each FIG working week outlining activity and progress.

Timetable

Beneficiaries

Working group 10.2 – Commercial Management

Policy Issues

- To study, analyse and compare different procurement models and publish generic guidelines as to “best practice”.

Chair

Nominations sought.

Specific Projects

- To work with other Commissions to support their work on the procurement of infrastructure and affordable housing in developing and emerging economies.

Workshop(s)

Publication(s)

- Report at each FIG working week outlining activity and progress.

Timetable

Beneficiaries

Working group 10.3 –Project and Programme Management

Policy Issues

- To describe and compare different Project Management methods and publish generic guidelines as to “best practice”
- To describe and detail a “best practice” model for the successful management of multi-project programmes in both developed and developing economies.

Chair

To be nominated by ICES.

Specific Projects

Workshop(s)

Publication(s)

- Report at each FIG working week outlining activity and progress.

Timetable

Beneficiaries

6. Co-operation with sister associations

The Chairman-elect proposes to review with the International Cost Engineering Council, the current Memorandum of Understanding. It is foreseen that the agreement needs reappraisal and development so as to be more effective and therefore beneficial to the parties.

7. Co-operation with the United Nations agencies

Within the limits of its resources, the Commission will work with the UN Agencies. However it is foreseen that most inputs will be through cross Commission participation.

8. Other activities

9. Calendar of events

Full participation in FIG working weeks and appropriate regional and strategic meetings.

10. Commission Officers

Commission Chair

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Vice Chair

To be nominated.

Mr. Andrew Morley

Chair of Commission 10, 2007-2010

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