

**Report to the 43rd General Assembly
FIG Working Week 2020, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
FIG Foundation
Report of Activities 2019**



The FIG Foundation

1. Administration

The FIG Foundation is located in and administered by the FIG Office in Copenhagen.

A Board of Directors chaired by the President of the FIG Foundation makes the decisions of the Foundation. The Board of Directors are appointed by FIG Council.

The Board of Directors for 2019 was as follows:

- John Hohol, President of the FIG Foundation (USA)
- Prof. Michael Barry, Director (Canada)
- Mr. Enrico Rispoli, Director (Italy)
- Chief Lecturer Winston Ayeni, Director (Nigeria)
- Prof. David Mitchell, Director (Australia, Chair FIG Commission 2 on Education)
- FIG Vice President Jixian Zhang, (China)

FIG Foundation and FIG council thank:

- Ms Winnie Shiu, (PR China) who in 2018 replaced the FIG Commission 2 chair Ir. Liza Groenendijk in her absence.
- Mr Daniel Steudler, (Switzerland) who served on the board for two years 2017-2018

FIG Council decided during this transition time to appoint two new Directors and also continue to keep a representative from FIG Commission 2 on Education as has been custom during the past years.

2. Programmes with Corporate Members

FIG Foundation Partners

Charter Foundation Partner Trimble Navigation continues to support the FIG Foundation by sponsorship of the FIG Foundation Dinner since 2010 and providing other support directly through the Foundation.

The board introduced a new flyer that has been distributed to companies at Intergeo, Germany and Chintergeo, China. The flyer includes benefits for supporters, grant programmes and two short case stories. With this flyer the FIG Foundation Board of Directors hopes to increase awareness of the Foundation and donation possibilities

http://fig.net/figfoundation/news/FIG_Foundation_Flyer_2019.pdf

3. Meetings 2019

The board held its official meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam during the FIG Working Week 2019. Apart from the board members the Charter Foundation partner Trimble, represented by William Marbell, were present at the meeting. FIG President Rudolf Staiger and Melissa Harrington, FIG Young Surveyors Network Chair, also attended the meeting.

FIG Foundation President John Hohol introduced a new and exciting cooperation with Aubrey Barker Foundation for a grant up to 20,000 EUR spread over two years with the objective of building the capacity of academic institutions teaching surveying in developing countries, and of providing support in teaching and developing their curriculum more effectively. The task of FIG Foundation will be to promote this grant and attract relevant candidates. The grant was promoted during FIG channels after the Working Week 2020 with a deadline of 1 October 2019 for the first round.

https://fig.net/figfoundation/2019_aubrey_barker_grant.asp

Furthermore, the board has been in frequent contact through emails.

A Skype meeting was held in July 2019 with specific focus on the future strategy for FIG Foundation.

4. Grants 2019

For 2019, two different FIG Foundation grants were offered, an academic research grant and a PhD grant.

The **FIG Foundation Academic Research Grants** provide grant of up to 40,000 EUR spread over four years. The conditions are that applicants shall be based in a surveying/geomatics academic programme that teaches surveying in a country listed by the World Bank as a low-income, lower-middle or upper-middle income economy. Deadline was 1 March 2019.

For the academic research grant FIG Foundation has received four applications, however they were all rejected due to the fact that they did not fulfil the requirements.

The **FIG Foundation PhD Scholarships** will be provided of up to 4,000 EUR to PhD students. Successful applicants will qualify for a further grant of up to 3,000 EUR to attend and present a peer reviewed paper at a FIG conference. Conditions are that applicants shall be studying for a PhD degree and registered solely in a surveying/geomatics academic programme that teaches surveying in a country listed by the World Bank as a low-income, lower-middle or upper-middle income economy. Deadline was 1 February 2019.

FIG Foundation received five applications for the **PhD. scholarship**, of which none were accepted.

The **Aubrey Barker/FIG Foundation grant** received three applications of which one was approved for the second round with deadline in January 2020.

In 2019 the FIG Foundation awarded grants totalling EUR 12,917 to Young Surveyors to participate in the FIG Working Week 2019 in Hanoi, Vietnam.

The four Young Surveyors were:

- Annika Avila (Philippines)
- Romina Leiva (Argentina)
- Ogochukwu Izuegbu (Nigeria)
- Ruth Trujillo (USA)

Ms. Melissa Robert, Uruguay was approved a grant again in 2019 of 1,400 EUR to support her efficient attendance at various conferences in which she has promoted and informed about FIG and FIG Young Surveyors. At the same time FIG and FIG Foundation extend a special thanks to Ms Melissa Roberts for her work on the promotion of FIG in the Latin American area.

CLGeGL, Italy has received a grant of EUR 5,000 as support for their Summer School.

The International Geodetic Students Meeting IGSM meeting in Warsaw, Poland received a grant of EUR 5000, organised by the Student Association GEOIDA, Association of Students of the Faculty of Geodesy and Cartography of the Warsaw University of Technology.

Two Young Surveyors events were supported during 2019:
YESM (Europe) which took place in Portugal – with EUR 5,000
YASM (Africa) which took place in Senegal – with EUR 5,000

In total **29,393 EUR** was spent in 2019.

5. Donations in 2019

| | EUR |
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| Registrations FIG Working Week | 9,500.00 |
| Voluntary donations at the Congress | 1,105.00 |
| Charity dance | 410.00 |
| Trimble donation | 10,000.00 |
| SURCON Donation (USD 5,000) | 4,452.00 |
| Financial income 2019 | 264.00 |
| Total Income FIG Foundation 2019 | 25,731.00 |

In total FIG Foundation received donations of in total 1,105 EUR made through the registration to the Congress. Thanks to:

| Name | Country | Donation |
|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| Lemmen Christiaan | Netherlands | 195 |
| Okada Kengo | Japan | 120 |

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| Brock John | Australia | 100 |
| Hamed Yacouba Dagnoko | Cote D'Ivoire | 100 |
| Henriques Maria | Portugal | 100 |
| Djaba Stephen | Ghana | 50 |
| Louwsma Marije | Netherlands | 50 |
| Smejkal David | Czech Republic | 50 |
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| Uwadiale John Osalobo | Nigeria | 10 |
| Varga Felicián | Hungary | 10 |
| Dabiri Thomas | Nigeria | 5 |
| Hanafi Nik Ikhwan Haqim | Malaysia | 5 |
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Thanks to all who have contributed to the Foundation.

6. Advertised Grants for 2019/2020

FIG Foundation Grant to attend the FIG Working Week and FIG Young Surveyors Conference

Deadline: 26 January

Aubrey Barker Fund/FIG Foundation Course Development Grant

Deadline: 1 October 2019

FIG Foundation PhD Scholarships - 2020

Deadline: 1 February 2020

FIG Foundation Academic Research Grants - 2020 Offering

Deadline: 31 March 2020

FIG Foundation Grant for Young Surveyors' educational and training activities

FIG Commission Publication Author Support Grant

7. Accounts 2019

The income statement for 2019 and the balance sheet at 31 December 2019 are attached to this report.

The total income in 2019 was 25,731 EUR and expenses 29,393 which gives the net result of -3,662 EUR.

The total assets are 236,087 EUR.

The FIG Foundation would like to sincerely thank all those who have generously donated in 2019 in support of the FIG Foundation.

The FIG Foundation would also like to sincerely thank **Trimble Navigation** for their generous contribution and support of the FIG Foundation over these many years and **Surveyors Council of Nigeria, SURCON**, for their donation in 2019.

John Hohol

President of the FIG Foundation

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Web page: www.fig.net/figfoundation