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## FIG e-Newsletter February 2013

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG e-Newsletter, which brings you latest information about FIG and its activities. The information referred here is in full length available on the FIG web site. Thus the e-Newsletter is produced to inform you what has happened recently and what interesting things are going to take place in the near future. The FIG e-Newsletter is circulated monthly by e-mail. The referred articles are in English and written in a way that you are able to extract them to your national newsletters or circulate to your members and networks.

### Article of the Month

Each month on the FIG web site we publish a paper called the Article of the Month. This is a high-level paper focusing on interesting topics to all surveyors. It can be picked up from a FIG conference or another event. The Article of the Month in February 2013 is written by **Michael Barry, Richard Molero and Abdel-Rahman Muhsen, Canada: Evolutionary Land Tenure Information System Development: The Talking Titler Methodology**. This article was presented at the 8th FIG Regional Conference, 26-29 November 2012 in Montevideo Uruguay. The authors argue that conventional land registration systems often do not produce the desired results in uncertain land tenure situations such as peri-urban areas in developing world cities, post-conflict situations, land restitution cases and aboriginal lands. They introduce a methodology "The Talking Titler" system. The methodology was conceived in South Africa, and has recently been tested in Canada and Nigeria.

[http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/february\\_2013/feb\\_2013.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/february_2013/feb_2013.html)

### FIG Working Week 2013 6-10 May in Abuja, Nigeria – register at Early Bird Fee – DEADLINE 24 FEBRUARY



#### Register now at the Early Bird Fee – deadline 24 February

Do not miss the FIG Working Week that takes place in the city of Abuja, the new capital of Nigeria. The main theme for this working week is "**Environment for Sustainability**" moving the Surveying Profession to the next level. Experience Nigeria at the conference as well as on one of the post tours, and also a technical and a social tour is organised during the conference. Two dinners are offered, a Nigerian Evening where you experience the Nigerian culture, as well as a Gala Dinner. Registration for the conference has now opened. Included in the registration is the Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception, General Assembly, Plenary and Technical sessions, lunches and coffees as well as the farewell reception. Register now at the early bird fee.

<https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=95>

Deadline for early bird fee is 24 February 2013.

Please notice: Participants from **Nigeria, Ghana** and **Cameroon** shall register through Nigeria:

[www.fig2013.nisnqr.com](http://www.fig2013.nisnqr.com)



Nicon Luxury Hotel – the conference hotel and partly venue together with the International Conference Center

### **African Young Surveyor Scholarships – DEADLINE 6 MARCH 2013**

The FIG Young Surveyors Network and the FIG Foundation invite African Young Surveyors to apply for funds to attend the FIG Working Week 2013 in Abuja, Nigeria. More information on the background and requirements:

[http://www.fig.net/fig2013/images/general/foundation\\_abuja.pdf](http://www.fig.net/fig2013/images/general/foundation_abuja.pdf)

### **Sponsorship and exhibition opportunities**

Exhibition will take place 7-9 May 2013. The exhibition is filling up so if you are interested in exhibiting, please contact Louise [louise.friis-hansen@fig.net](mailto:louise.friis-hansen@fig.net) now. Read more about the opportunities on the conference web site:

[http://www.fig.net/fig2013/exhibition\\_opportunities.htm](http://www.fig.net/fig2013/exhibition_opportunities.htm)



Market in Abuja

### **Technical programme**

The technical programme will be published on the web site in the beginning of March.

### **More information**

The conference web site is updated continuously:

[www.fig.net/fig2013](http://www.fig.net/fig2013)

### **Newsletters and publications**

Proceedings of 3rd International Workshop on 3D Cadastres: Development and Practices

<http://www.fig.net/pub/compub/compubindex.htm>

### **Job vacancies – updated February 2013**

University of Florida, UN-HABITAT

<http://www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm>

### **Personalia and visits (last updated January 2013)**

<http://www.fig.net/personalia/index.htm>

### **Benefits from FIG Corporate Members**

[http://www.fig.net/corporatemembers/corporate\\_benefits.htm](http://www.fig.net/corporatemembers/corporate_benefits.htm)

### **Forthcoming events**

#### **8-11 April, Washington DC, USA**



Annual World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty. Supported by FIG including a joint programme.

Web site: <http://go.worldbank.org/RTWVJ2OA20>

#### **1-3 May, Tainan, Taiwan**

The International Symposium on Mobile Mapping Technology (MMT2013). Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5 and 6

Web site: <http://conf.ncku.edu.tw/mmt2013/>

#### **6-10 May, Abuja, Nigeria**



Environment for Sustainability. FIG Working Week and General Assembly.

Web site: <http://www.fig.net/fig2013>

**17-20 June, Texas at Tyler, USA**

The 24th Biannual SaGES Colloquium & FIG Regional Conference. Co-organised by FIG Commission 2 and the Partnership Degree Program in Surveying and Mapping at Tyler Junior College and the University of Texas at Tyler.

Web site: <http://www.tjc.edu/SaGESconference>

**18-20 June 2013, Manila, Philippine**

The 12th South East Asia Survey Congress "Geospatial Cooperation towards a Sustainable Future". Co-organised by FIG Commissions 5 and 6

**31 August 2013, Potsdam, Germany** (alongside the IAG Scientific Assembly)  
JBGIS Annual Meeting hosted by IAG, together with the IAG Scientific Assembly

**9-11 September 2013, Nottingham, United Kingdom**

The second Joint FIG/IAG International Symposium on Deformation Monitoring (JISDM)

Web site: <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/engineering/conference/jisdms/index.aspx>

Call for paper: <http://www.fig.net/events/2013/jisdms.pdf>

**24-25 September, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

International FIG workshop on the Land Administration Domain Model (LADM2013). Organised in conjunction with ISG2013.

Web site: <http://www.voronoi.com/isg2013/>

**21-25 October, Yaounde, Cameroon**

2nd Surveying Week: Building Capacities in Land Reforms and Land Management jointly with the annual assembly of Commission 2 and Commission 7 and the general assembly of the FIG. Organised by l'Ordre des Géomètres du Cameroun, FIG Commission 2 and 7

For **additional FIG and FIG Commission events** see always up-to-date information at: [www.fig.net/events/events.htm](http://www.fig.net/events/events.htm)

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Web site: [www.fig.net/fig2014](http://www.fig.net/fig2014)

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