FIG Agenda 21 – Committing Surveyors to Sustainable Development

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ABSTRACT

Dealing with surveying, planning and management of land and water resources, laws and systems needed for access to land and security of tenure, and with geographic information for decision making, the surveying profession is deeply involved in issues of profound importance for sustainable development. The way surveyors are trained and perform in their daily work can have a significant impact on the implementation of sustainable development.

FIG decided in 1998 to prepare a statement on how the Federation will implement the concept of sustainable development. The statement was finally adopted by the General Assembly of the Federation at its meeting in Seoul, Republic of Korea in May 2001.

This report presents the process of preparing the statement and the final outcome, the FIG Agenda 21.

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