

# Building the Capacity

The FIG Agenda and Achievements 2007-2010

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## The FIG Agenda

“Building the Capacity”

through

“Flying high

and

Keeping the feet on the ground”



The theme "Building the Capacity" relates to flying high and also keeping our feet on the ground. I suggest we give priority to the following key issues:











- Promoting and Enhancing the Role of FIG**
  - Professional Development, - providing the international forum for development and innovation in all aspects of the surveying discipline.
  - Capacity Building, - including a Task Force on Organizational and Institutional Development
  - Global Development, - including increased cooperation with the UN agencies, and our sister organisations.
  - Linking, - strengthening the links between the global agenda and the surveying grass roots
- Continuing and Enhancing the Dialogue with the Member Associations**
  - Promoting the benefits of being a member
  - Increasing the member base
  - Ongoing development and implementation of the information and communication policy
- Promoting FIG as a Truly Global Organisation**
  - Encouraging global representation in council and commission officers
  - Encouraging global distribution of and representation at the FIG conferences, seminars etc.
  - Interaction with regional organisations and activities and respecting cultural diversity
- Responding to the Millennium Goals**
  - Task Force to develop a FIG Policy in cooperation with the UN agencies and especially the World Bank.
  - High level FIG/WB conference in 2008 to promote the FIG global profile in this area
- Revising the Conference Structure**
  - Even years: Major conference such as congress or major Working Week
  - Odd years: Working Week and regional conferences in partnership with the UN organisations
  - Council initiated expert symposia on topical issues e.g. linked to National events
  - FIG Office to ensure administrative, organisational and financial sustainability
- Empowering ACCO and the Commission Activities**
  - ACCO as a dynamic forum for policy making and professional development
  - Enhancing the profile of the technical programme at the conferences
  - Establishing an FIG virtual journal with peer reviewed papers
  - Preparing a starting pack with guidelines for vice-chairs and the chairs elect
  - Establishing task forces to deal with inter-commission activities and policy implementation

## The Agenda

**Flying High**

- Global partnership with the UN-agencies incl. the World Bank in support of the global agenda such as the MDGs



**Keeping the feet on the ground**

- Professional and institutional development at regional, national, and local level in support of the needs of our member associations and individual surveyors.



## Is the role of the Surveyors changing ?

- **From Measurement**

Surveyors will still be high level experts within measurement science, but due to technology development the role is changing into managing the measurements

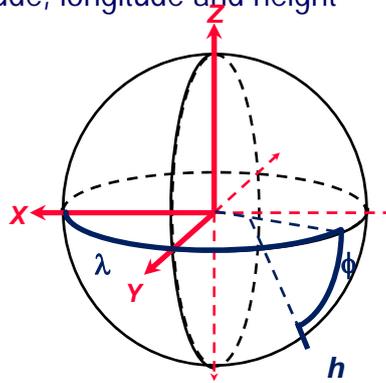
- **To Management**

Surveyors will increasingly contribute to building sustainable societies as experts in managing land and properties

***The Land Professionals***

## Positioning infrastructures Versus traditional Geodetic Datum

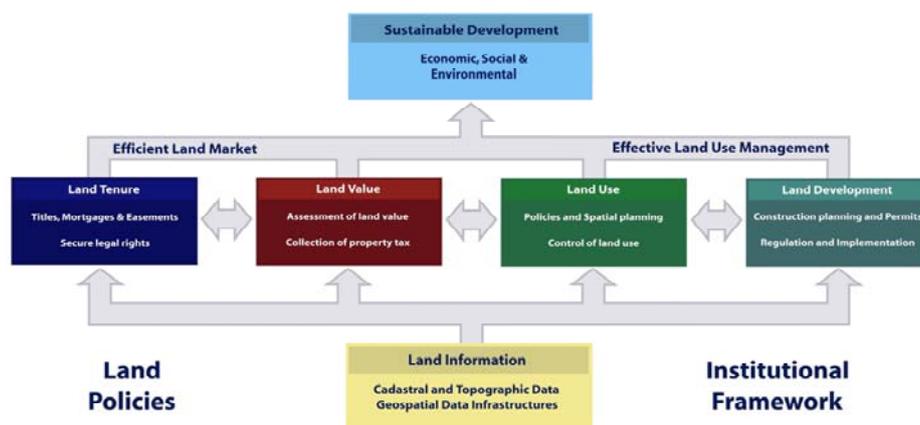
- Enables description of position as latitude, longitude and height and underpins all geo-spatial data;
- Characteristics:
  - Coverage - initially local but has evolved to national and continental;
  - Measurement – initially ground based, labor intensive, now more efficient using GNSS;
  - Data management - initially very analogue but now a key part and often integrated in Spatial data Infrastructures (SDI)



**Positioning infrastructures are the only truly global infrastructure underscoring capture and management of spatial data world wide**

Source: Matt Higgins, Washington, 2009

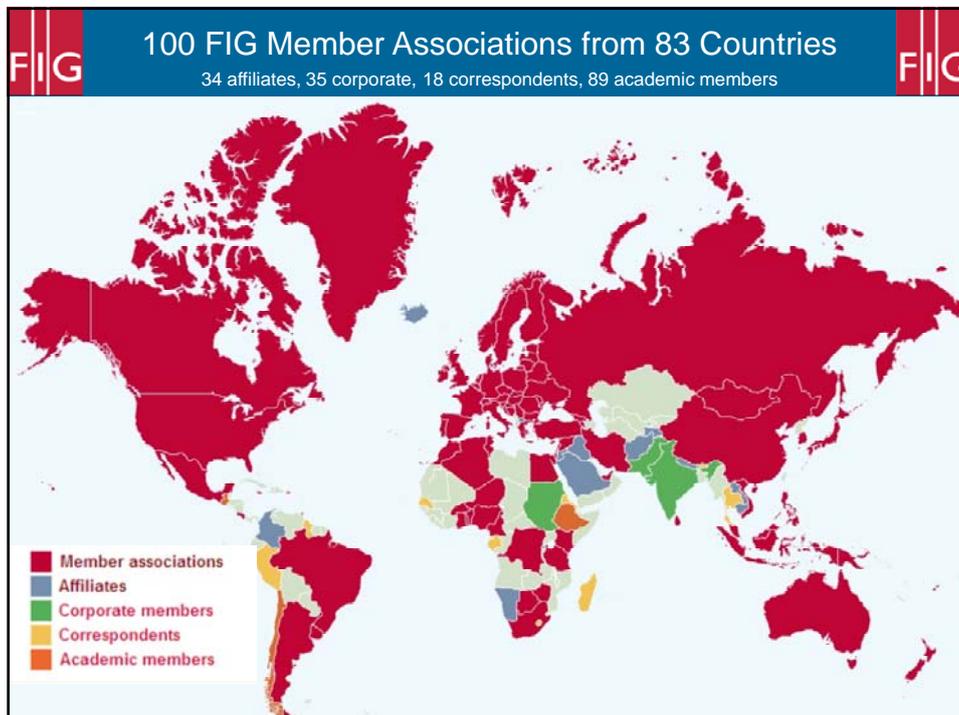
## A global land management perspective



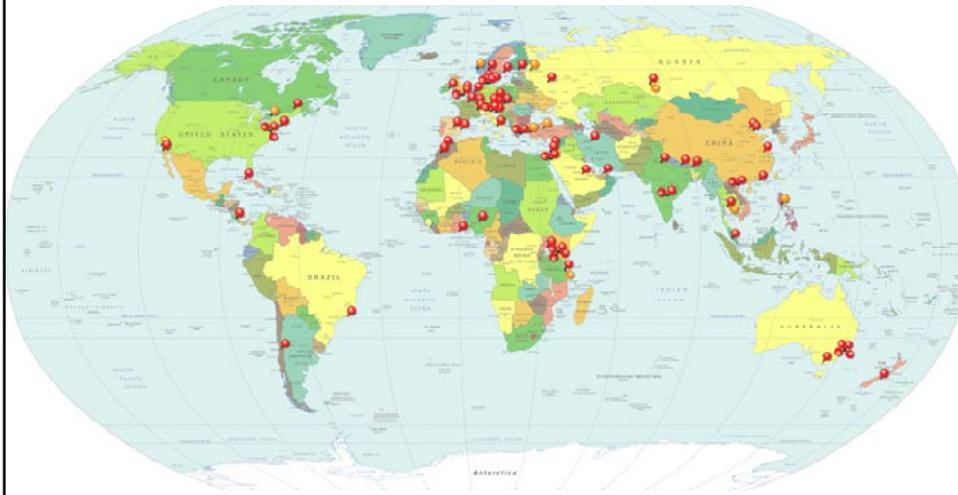
Land Administration Systems provide the infrastructure for implementation of land polices and land management strategies in support of sustainable development.

## The Role of FIG

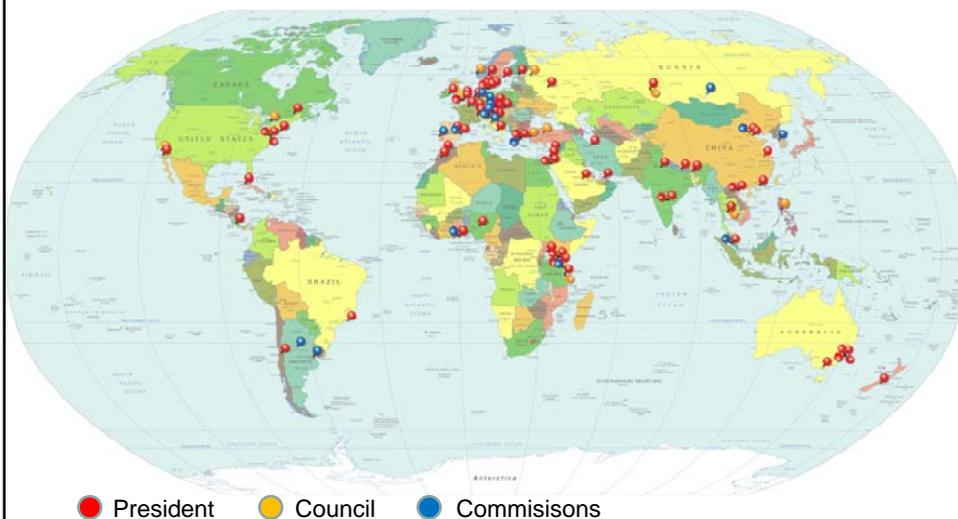
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## President and council activities 2007-2010



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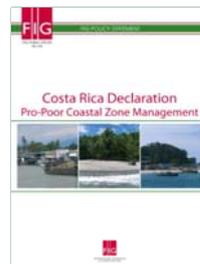


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## FIG Conferences 2007

- **FIG Working Week, Hong Kong**
  - Highly successful conference
  - Well focused and managed by the Hong Kong hosts
  - Setting the scene for the four year term of office
- **FIG Regional Conference, San Juan, Costa Rica**
  - **Vey** successful conference
  - Clear focus on the key regional issues
  - Publication on Pro-poor Coastal Zone Management contributing to the regional and global agenda

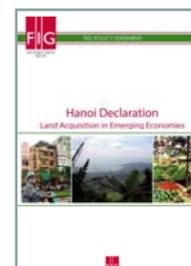
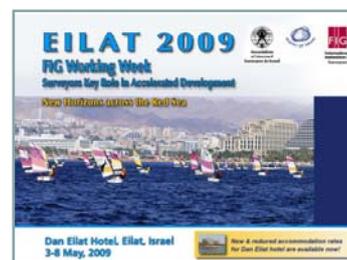


### FIG Working Week Stockholm, Sweden

- Highly successful conference
- Integrate seminar on improving slum conditions through innovative financing
- Strengthening co-operations with UN-Habitat
- Publication contributing to the global agenda



- **FIG Working Week, Eilat, Israel**
  - Highly successful conference
  - Well focused and managed by the Israeli hosts
  - Strengthening the FIG brand in the global surveying community
- **FIG Regional Conference, Hanoi, Vietnam**
  - Highly successful conference
  - Clear focus on the key regional issues
  - Strengthening co-operations with FAO
  - Publication on Land Acquisition contributing to the regional and global agenda



# The XXIV FIG International Congress 2010

The biggest FIG Congress ever

100+ countries, 2000+ participants, 800+ papers, 150 sessions

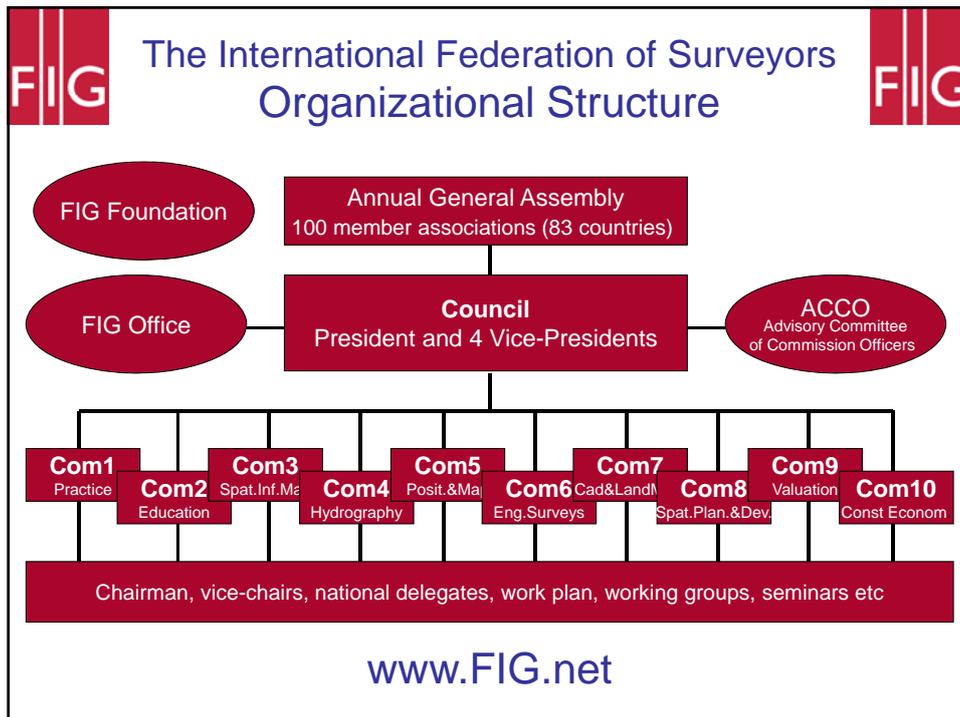


## Professional Development – the Commissions

### The heart and engine of FIG

- Providing the technical programme for the FIG conferences
- Highly successful work plans
- Annual meetings and workshops
- Commission newsletters and high level publications on key professional issues
- Allows in principle everyone to participate in the FIG activities
- National delegates ensure interaction with the wider FIG membership
- A powerful concept for professional development





### The Commissions – the heart and engine of FIG

**Commission 1, Professional Practice**

- WG 1.1 Standards Network
- WG 1.2 Young Surveyors Network
- WG 1.3 Surveyors Changing Role in Society

**Commission 2, Professional Education**

- WG 2.1 Curriculum development -Learning
- WG 2.2 e-Learning
- WG 2.3 Educational Management and Marketing
- WG 2.4 Real Estate Valuation and Management Education

**Commission 3, Spatial Information Management**

- WG 3.1 e-Government and e-Citizen
- WG 3.2 Spatial data Infrastructure
- WG 3.3 Multidimensional Aspects of Spatial Information Management

**Commission 4, Hydrography**

- WG 4.1 Hydrographic Surveying in Practice
- WG 4.2 Standards and Guidelines
- WG 4.3 Administering Marine Spaces
- WG 4.4 Capacity Building and the Economic Benefits of Hydrography

**Commission 5, Positioning and Measurement**

- WG 5.1 Standards, Quality Assurance and Calibration
- WG 5.2 Reference Frame in Practice
- WG 5.3 Integrated Positioning, Navigation and Mapping Systems
- WG 5.4 GNSS – Global Navigational Satellite Systems

### **Commission 6, Engineering Surveys**

WG 6.1 Deformation Measurement and Analysis  
WG 6.2 Engineering Surveys for Industry and Research  
WG 6.3 Engineering Survey Data Bases and Facility Management  
WG 6.4 Engineering Surveys for Construction Works and Structural Engineering  
WG 6.5 Terrestrial Laser Scanners



### **Commission 7, Cadastre and Land Management**

WG 7.1 Development of Pro-Poor Land management and Administration  
WG 3.2 Land Administration to Support Sustainable Development  
WG 3.3 Application of Innovative Technology in Land Administration



### **Commission 8, Spatial Planning and Development**

WG 8.1 Planning Strategy for Urban Development and Regeneration  
WG 8.2 Informal Settlements Issues in Spatial Development, Planning and Governance  
WG 8.3 Re-engineering Mega Cities  
WG 8.4 Urban Planning in Coastal Regions



### **Commission 9, Valuation and the Management of Real Estate**

WG 9.1 Compulsory Purchase and Compensations in Land Acquisition and Takings  
WG 9.2 Improving Slum Conditions through Innovative Financing  
WG 9.3 Diagnostic Tools and Prescriptive Practices for The Valuation Profession  
WG 9.4 Review of Valuation Methods and Standards Worldwide  
WG 9.5 GIS-analyses in Real Estate Market Analyses and Valuation



### **Commission 10, Construction Economics and Management**

WG 10.1 Construction Economic  
WG 10.2 Commercial Management  
WG 10.3 Project and Programme Management



## **Commission 1 – regional development**

- **Regional development**  
Focus on the regional recognition for capacity development
- **Young generation**  
Promoting the young surveyors perspective
- **National authorities**  
promoting public private partnership



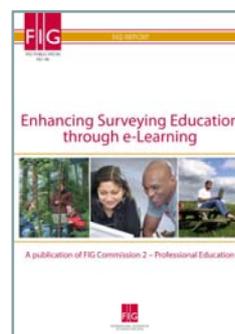
## Commission 2 – building the capacity

- **Annual meetings and seminars**

Enhancing the commission work plan and working groups through annual meetings and seminars

- **Publication**

on e-Learning in Surveying Education  
Feeding into the council agenda of building the capacity



## Commission 3 – SDI for Mega Cities

- **Annual meetings and seminars**

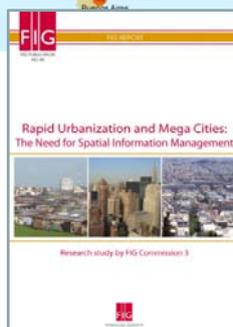
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- **Publication**

Addressing the global agenda on urban growth, informal development, and the role of SDI for mega cities.

- **Project with UN-Habitat**

Informal development  
– case study on Albania and Greece



Mega cities 2015

## Commission 4 – administering marine spaces

- **Focus on coastal zone management**

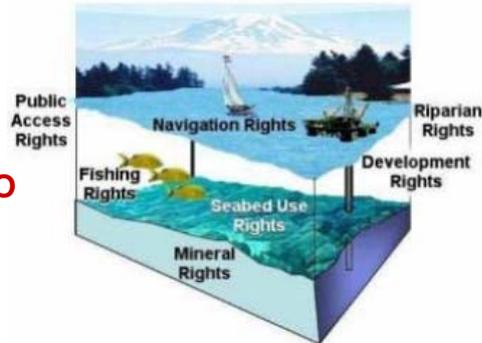
Successful working group on administering marine spaces

- **Strong interaction with IHO**

promoting common curricula and international guidelines for national certification of hydrographers

- **Publications (to follow)**

- Economic benefits of hydrography; Guidelines for port hydrography



## Commission 5 – global positioning infrastructures

- **Strong commission network**

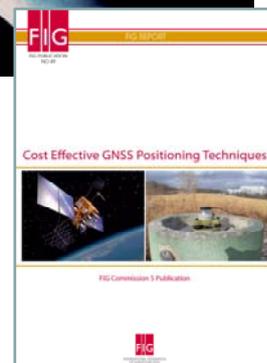
Highly successful conference programmes to enhance the commission work plan

- **Strong interaction with IAG**

- **Strong cooperation with UN-OOSA**

- **Publication**

on Cost Effective GNSS Positioning Techniques  
Contributing to the global agenda



## Commission 6 – positioning accuracy

- **Strong commission network**

Active working groups  
Development through seminars and workshops



Lake Baikal, June 2009

- **Strong interaction with ISPRS**

Terrestrial laser scanning and image processing



Lisbon, May 2008

- **Machine control and guidance**

New topic precise positioning guidance  
for e.g. agricultural machinery



## Commission 7 – secure land tenure

- **Strong commission network**

Annual meetings and international seminars  
Focus on land administration for sustainable development

- **Project with UN-HABITAT**

Building a pro-poor cadastral domain  
The Social Tenure Domain Model

- **Project with FAO**

Open source software in support of  
Land Administration

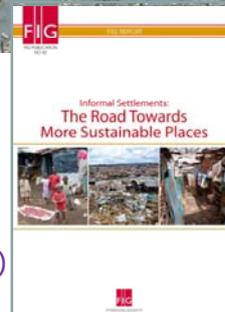
- **Publications**

STDM - Social Tenure Domain Model  
FLOSS – Open Source Software



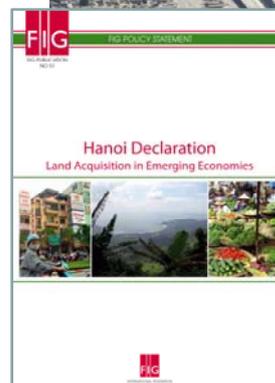
## Commission 8 – sustainable places

- **People and places**  
Focus on sustainability and planning for the people
- **Project with UN-HABITAT**  
Women's access to land and Gender evaluation criteria
- **Africa Task force - chair**
- **SIDS seminar - Coordinator**
- **Publication:** on The Road to Sustainable Places  
To follow: Issues in Coastal Development (joint with Com 4)



## Commission 9 – land acquisition

- **Successful seminars**  
Compulsory purchase and compensation  
Valuation and management of real estate  
  
Contributing to the seminar on  
Improving Slum Conditions through  
Innovative Financing in cooperation with  
UN-HABITAT
- **Publications**  
Hanoi Declaration  
To follow:  
Compulsory purchase and compensation



## Commission 10 – project management

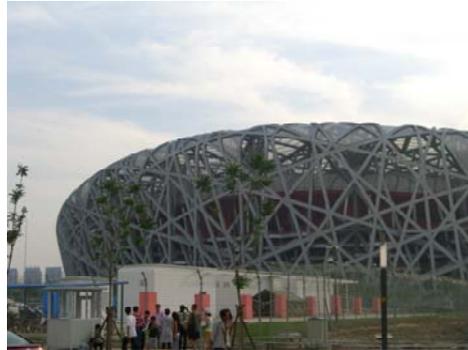
- **Focus on project management**

Developing project management as a mainstream issue within FIG

Innovations within construction economics

- **International cooperation**

Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors and signed agreement between six regional and national organisations of quantity surveyors.



## The Commissions – ongoing innovation

- There are many other achievements by Commissions not listed above. They are in the form of workshops at FIG events, specialist events and liaisons with international partners and sister associations;
- Ensure appointment of national delegates to participate in the work of the commissions.
- Work Plans of the new Commission Chairs for 2011 - 2014 are being developed now and discussed here in Sydney.
- **Now is the time to have input and get involved.**



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## Institutional Development - highlights

### Capacity Building

A broad concept – including societal. Institutional and individual level.

Addressed through FIG activities at all levels, council, task forces, commissions. Providing guidance for government, members associations and individual surveyors on capacity development.

### Peer Review

Has been introduced at FIG Working weeks since Stockholm 2008. Formalised process for quality enhancement and recognition in academia. A proper balance between peer reviewed and professional papers must be ensured. Around 100 peer reviewed papers in Sydney out of around 1000. Peer reviewed papers will appear at a special section of the FIG web site that will function like an on-line journal.



Thanks to Chryssy, Rudolf – and the Office

## Institutional Development – more highlights

### Africa Task Force

Enabling the surveying profession in Sub Saharan Africa to better deal with social responsibility in terms of contributing to the MDGs

### Regional Co-operation

FIG is supportive to regional structures like CLGE, FGF, AUS, ASEAN Flag etc..they hold a lot of potential.

### Director General's Forum

Has been very well received as an opportunity of interaction between the CEOs and professional practice. Improving Affiliate Membership of FIG

### Young Surveyors

This new initiative has been very successful and highly appreciated. The engagement and encouragement of the young surveyors must be sustained and improved. The interaction benefits both the young surveyors and the Federation as a whole. .



## FIG Achievements

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## Current policies

Do Surveyors have a role to play in the global agenda?

**Yes !**

Simply, no development will take place without having a spatial dimension

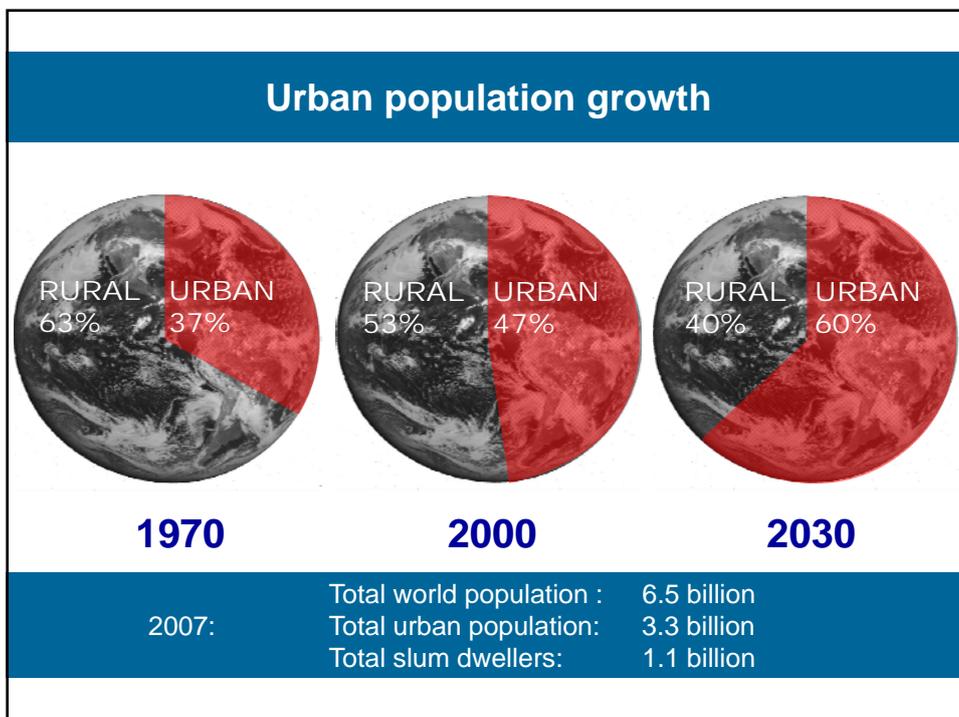
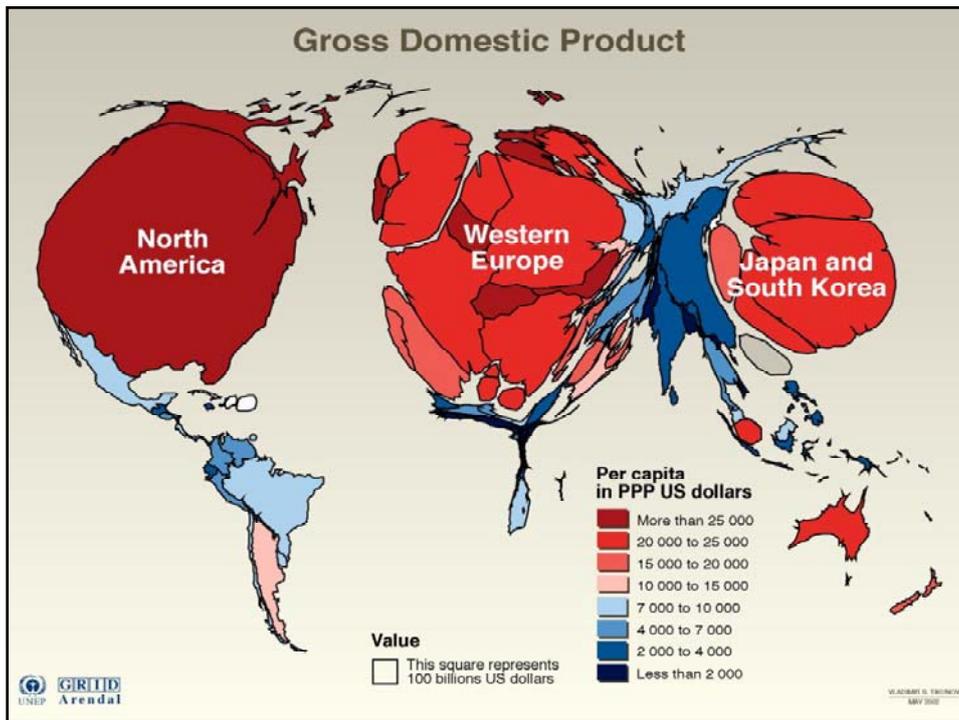
And no development will happen without the footprint of the surveyor

## The Global Agenda The Millennium Development Goals

- Goal 1: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
- Goal 2: Achieve universal primary education
- Goal 3: Promote gender equality and empower women
- Goal 4: Reduce child mortality
- Goal 5: Improve maternal health
- Goal 6: Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases
- Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability

**Goal 8: Develop a Global Partnership for Development**

The framework includes 18 targets and 48 indicators enabling the ongoing monitoring of annual progress





Kibera, Nairobi, 250 ha, 1 mill+ people

### It is all about:

- People,** human rights, engagement and dignity
- Politics,** land policies and good governance
- Places,** shelter, land rights, and natural resources
- and Power,** decentralisation and empowerment



## Partnership with FAO

**MoU** signed 2007

**Cooperation** in a range of areas:

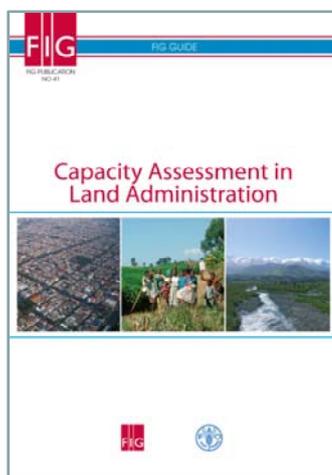
**Land acquisition**, expropriation and compensation

**Management of state lands**

**Capacity building in land administration**

**Open source** platforms in land administration

**Voluntary Guidelines on Tenure of Land and other Natural resources**



## Partnership with the UN-HABITAT

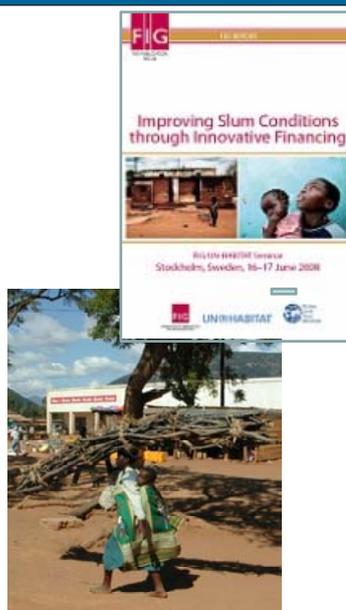
**MoU** signed 2002

**Strong partnership** (from 2007) within the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) on developing pro-poor land tools. Member of the GLTN International Advisory Board

Project on **Informal Development in Europe** (Chryssi Potsiou) Case study on Albania and Greece

Project on **Gender Evaluation Criteria** (Diane Dumashie)

Project on the **Social Tenure Domain Model** in support of the GLTN agenda on continuum of land rights.



## ...Partnership with UN-Habitat

**Traditional cadastral systems do not provide for security of tenure in informal settlements.**

**A more flexible system is needed for identifying the various kind of social tenure existing in informal settlements.**

**Such systems must be based on a global standard and must be manageable by the local community itself:**

**The Social Tenure Domain Model.**



## Partnership with the World Bank

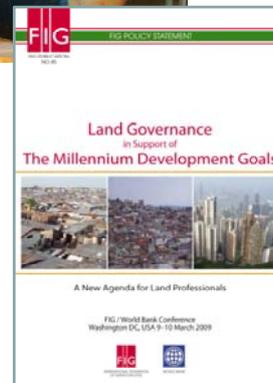
**MoU signed May 2007**

**Strong partnership** on Land Governance in support of the MDGs

**Joint FIG-WB Conference** March 2009 on Land Governance in support of the MDGs . More than 200 invited experts from throughout the world - **a major achievement**

**Joint publication** and declaration contribution to the global agenda and the global recognition of the surveying profession

**Partnership on the global agenda ahead** – the contribution of Land Governance to the mega challenges of climate change, disasters, rapid urbanisation, etc.



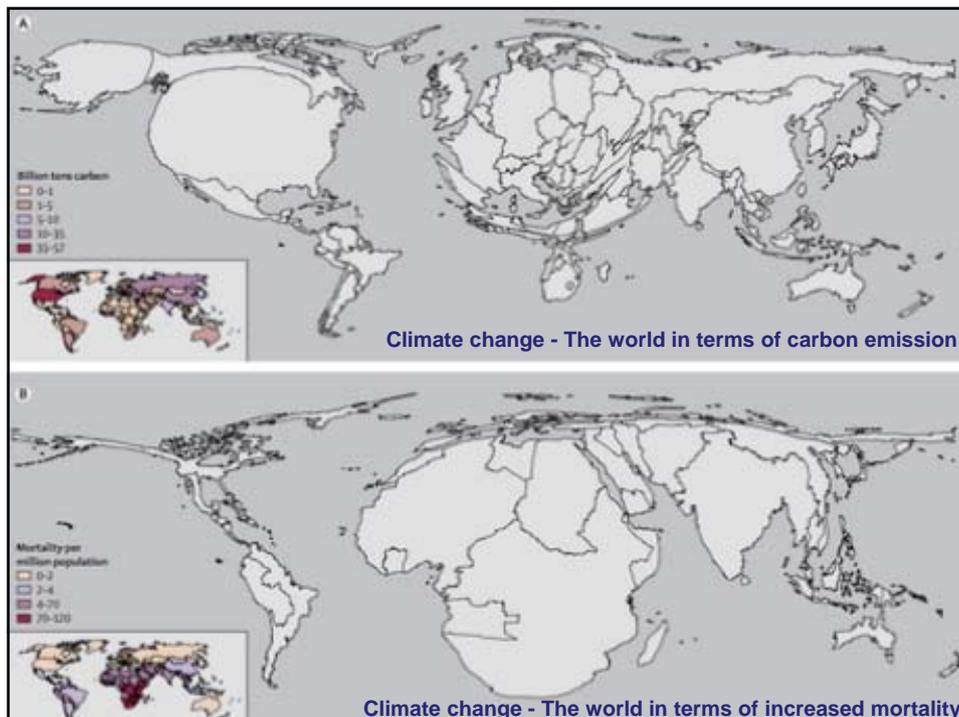
## Facing the new challenges

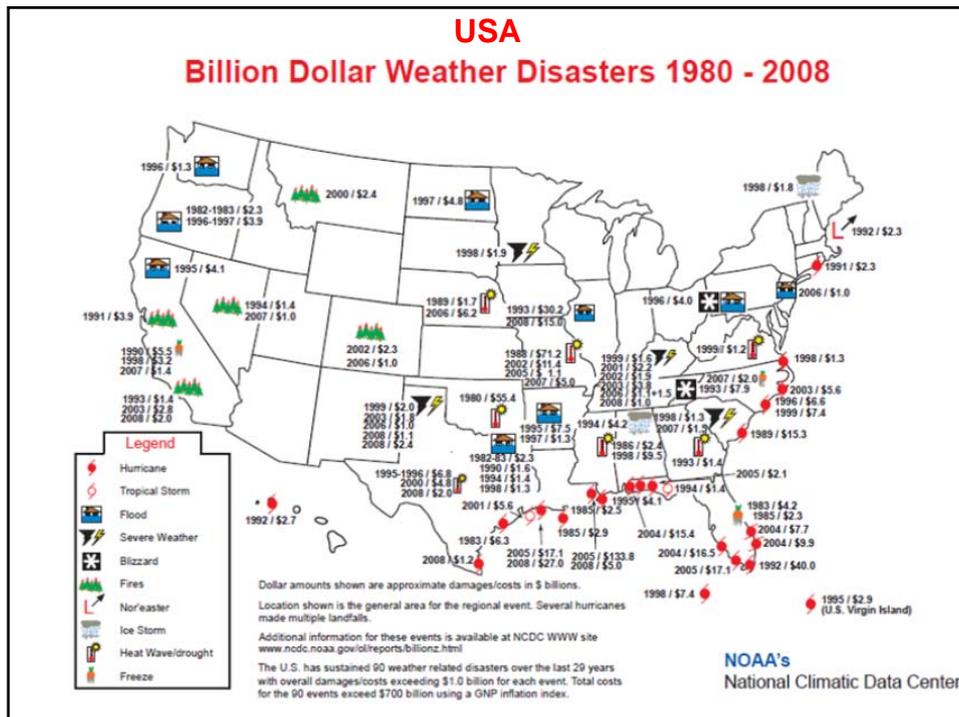
- Climate change
- Food shortage
- Energy scarcity
- Urban growth
- Environmental degradation
- Natural disasters
- Global financial crisis

**All these challenges relate to governance and management of land  
The surveyors – the land professionals - play a key role**

Global partnership drives development for achieving the MDGs

Global recognition → national recognition → local recognition





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## Information and communication

### Web site

The key means of communication in a global organisation. An actual, factual, interesting, informative, updated, complete, accessible, source of information and knowledge. Face lift planned for second half of 2010.

### President's letter

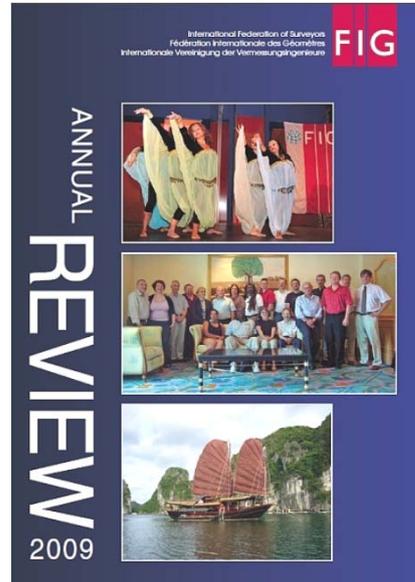
Biannual communication president to president

### Annual review

Annual overview of the FIG activities in an easy accessible presentation

### Publications

FIG publication series with four groups of policy statements, guides, reports, and FIG regulations.



## FIG publications 2007– 2010



available online – FIG.net



## Information and communication

### And the FIG Profile

-my business card



New brochure on  
Affiliate Members

Please use it...



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## Management and administration

### FIG Office

General administration; financial management, member services; council and commission support and services; general communication; event management.

- The high level of activity and development in the Federation can only be sustained by highly professional administrative support.
- A small administration is vulnerable – just like any small company. Documented sustainable procedures are crucial to safeguard against any staffing problems that may occur – no matter how professional they are.
- A lot of efforts has gone into building a highly professional Office delivering high level services to our members.
- A full flashed office business plan following ISO standards should be ready by the end of 2010 when I step back as President.



## President's slogan

### Flying High

- Contributing to the global agenda



### Keeping the feet on the ground

- Driving professional development



Was that possible ?  
Yes – we can

## Looking to the Future

### **Contributing to the Global Agenda**

The big challenges ahead such climate change; natural disasters; urban growth; poverty reduction; environmental degradation; etc...will require continuous attention. FIG should still fly high.

### **Identity and recognition**

This will depend on well we can continue to contribute to the global agenda and show the value of the land professionals as a key player.

### **The Commissions**

Professional development and innovation in all areas of surveying will always be in the heart of the Federation. The Commissions are the key driver of this in cooperation with national delegates. This is a very powerful concept to be further enhanced in the future. .

### **Outreach**

There is a need for better explaining the relevance of the FIG activities to the wider membership. This is a big challenge that can only be met through kind of partnership between FIG and the national member associations.



## The XXIV FIG International Congress 2010

Thank you very much

