Opportunities for Fostering Development of Academic Networks in Asia and the Pacific Through the FIG Asia Pacific Capacity Development Network

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SUMMARY

In many regions, higher education in surveying faces capacity challenges, and have limitations in access to information. It is well established that regional networks of higher education institutions are proven platforms for knowledge sharing and improved education experiences. In 2015 the FIG Council established the Regional Capacity Development Network to "Ensuring the Rapid Response to Change Ensuring the Surveyors of Tomorrow" by establishing a global network operationalised on a Regional basis. The mission of the FIG Asia Pacific Capacity Development Network (AP CDN) is to enable an environment of land, marine and “space” professionals to effectively provide innovative, reliable and best practice solutions to address the regional social, economic, environmental and technological challenges associated with global geospatial trends, our rapidly changing and complex world. This paper explores opportunities for the FIG Asia Pacific Capacity Development Network to help support and foster further development of academic networks in the Asia and Pacific region.