Surveyor: Guarantor of a Sustainable Living Environment

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SUMMARY

The Order of Surveyors-Experts (OGE) is a legal person under private law created by law 46-942 of May 7, 1946 and responsible for a public service mission of regulation of the French profession of surveyor.

In this context, the profession always remains very close to administrations such as the cadastre, land registration services, but also to its supervisory ministry and to all administrations.

The surveyor is often the first to enter and on land that will be subject to land development. He is therefore the last to view the terrain untouched by any artificialization. It thus has a role and even a responsibility to protect our environment by proposing development solutions that will be sustainable and respectful of the living environment of its inhabitants.

To be concrete and active in the prevention and awareness of climate change, the order of expert surveyors set up in 2001 the precise measurement of the summit of Mont Blanc (highest peak in Europe) but also other emblematic places such as the Marseille tide gauge (average level of the Mediterranean Sea), measures for the retreat of a Glacier in the Pyrenees massif (France).

The expert surveyors are forces of proposals such as the creation of the ONCV (National Organization of the Living Environment) bringing together professional organizations in different fields. Their mission is to collect and analyze the available studies and the information fed back from the field by its members, to refine knowledge of the living environment and its evolution. It involves surveyors to do better in regional planning that can better meet the expectations of citizens.

Since August 21, 2021, a new law has been passed in France: the "Climate and Resilience" law.

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This law is a response to the climate emergency. Here again, the Order of Expert Surveyors acts and mobilizes to offer politicians solutions for the application of this law to allow regulated development and guarantee a sustainable living environment.

These actions with all the parties concerned allow each expert surveyor to feel invested in their role.

On the other hand, the administration and the public authorities consider the surveyor-expert as referents, as trusted agents who can mobilize quickly within a common cause: to develop and guarantee a sustainable living environment.

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