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**FIG e-Newsletter** April 2007

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG e-Newsletter, which brings you latest information about the 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 by e-mail monthly. 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.

# Article of the Month – April 2007

On the FIG web site we publish each month 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 an FIG conference or another event. The Article of the Month in April is written by Prof. Stig Enemark, President of FIG. His paper "Integrated Land-Use Management for Sustainable Development" was presented as the keynote address at the joint Workshop of FIG Commission 3, UN/ECE Committee on Housing and Land Management and UN/ECE Working Party on Land Administration in March 2007. This workshop "Informal Settlements – Real Estate Market Needs Related to Good Land Administration and Planning" was organised in Sounio, Greece 28-31 March 2007.

http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly\_articles/april\_2007/april\_2007\_enemark.html

## FIG Working Week and General Assembly in Hong Kong SAR, China, 13-17 May 2007

The XXX FIG General Assembly and Working Week will be organised in Hong Kong 13-17 May 2007. The theme of the Working Week is "Strategic Integration of Surveying Services". Conference web site is open at: www.figww2007.hk

In the technical programme there are more than 250 papers in more than 60 sessions. The papers are now linked to the technical programme to help considering which sessions you want to attend.

FIG will also organise special meetings for academic members and corporate members to follow the successful Presidents' meeting that will naturally take place as well. On-line registration is open at: http://www.mvdmc.com/figww2007/ If you have not registered – do it now!

# FIG General Assembly 13 and 17 May 2007

FIG General Assembly will be held in Hong Kong SAR 13 and 17 May 2007. The agenda papers are available on the FIG web site and have been sent as hard copies to all members. Main issues on the agenda in Hong Kong will be the FIG Council work plan for 2007-2010 and the Commission work plans 2007-2010. Read more:

Agenda: http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2007/agenda.htm Agenda with appendices (as .pdf-file):

http://www.fig.net/admin/ga/2007/agenda and appendices.pdf (212 pages and 5.85 MB).

#### **News from last month**

FIG strengthens its role in co-operation with the UN-Habitat on tenure issues at the 21st UN-Habitat Governing Council - Nairobi, Kenya, 13-20 April 2007 Read more: <u>http://www.fig.net/news/news 2007/nairobi habitat gc 04 2007.htm</u>

Report of the Joint FIG Commission 3, UN/ECE Working Party on Land Administration and UN/ECE Committee on Housing and Land Management Workshop: Spatial Information Management toward Legalizing Informal Urban Development and Informal Settlements – Real Estate Market Needs for Good Land Administration and Planning - Sounio, Greece, 28-31 March 2007 Read more: <u>http://www.fig.net/news/news\_2007/wpla\_march\_2007.htm</u>

Vice President Matt Higgins attends the Munich Navigation Summit 2007 -Munich, Germany, 6-8 March 2007 Read more: <u>http://www.fig.net/news/news\_2007/munich\_march\_2007.htm</u>

Expert Group Meeting on Transparency in Land Administration – a Capacity Building Programme for Africa - Nairobi, Kenya, 29-31 January 2007 Read more: <u>http://www.fig.net/news/news\_2007/nairobi\_01\_2007.htm</u>

New Editors for the Newsletter of the Under-represented Groups in Surveying After Gabriele Dasse left the position as the Editor of the Newsletter of Underrepresented Groups in Surveying after nine successful years the Newsletter has now new editors: Eleni Tziortzioti (Greece), Angela Kesiena Etuonovbe (Nigeria) and Marie Robidoux (Canada).

Read more: <u>http://www.fig.net/pub/underrep\_news/200701/newsletter200701.htm</u>

#### **Register to FIG events**

FIG XXX General Assembly and Working Week, Hong Kong SAR, China, 13-17 May 2007 Read more: www.figww2007.hk

FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting and one-day open Symposium "Good Practice in Cadastre and Land Registry", Seoul, Republic of Korea, 19-23 May 2007 Read more: <u>www.fig.net/commission7</u>

FIG Commission 2 Workshop – Scientia Est Potentia – Knowledge is Power, Prague, Czech Republic, 7-9 June 2007 Read more: <u>http://geoinformatics.fsv.cvut.cz</u>

## FIG Commission 9 Seminar on Compulsory Purchase and Compensation -Helsinki, Finland, 6-8 September 2007

Read more: <u>http://www.tkk.fi/Yksikot/Kiinteisto/FIG/index.htm</u> Register now online: <u>https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=43</u>

## Forthcoming events:

ISGM 2007 – International Geodetic Students Meeting, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2-8 May 2007 Read more: www.uacq.bg/ISGM

Joint CIG/ISPRS Conference on Geomatics for Disaster Management Gi4DM, Toronto, Canada, 23-25 May 2007 Co-sponsored by FIG. Read more: https://www.cig-acsg.ca/cig2007/english/home.htm

## 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Mobile Mapping Technology, Padova, Italy 28-31 May 2007

Organised by FIG Commission 5, IAG and ISPRS. Read more: <u>www.cirgeo.unipd.it/cirgeo/convegni/mmt2007</u>

#### 5<sup>th</sup> National Congress on Major Structuring Projects: Basis of Human Development, Casablanca, Morocco, 15-16 June 2007

Co-sponsored by FIG. Read more: <u>www.oniqt.ma</u>

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual ESRI Survey & Engineering GIS Summit, San Diego, CA, USA, 16-19 June 2007

Co-sponsored by FIG. Read more: <u>www.esricom/events/survey</u>

Good Land Administration and Its Role in Economic Development – Practices and Experiences in Asia and Europe, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 27-29 June 2007 Co-sponsored by FIG. Read more: www.la-east-west.mn

5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Current and Future Trends in Bridge Design, Construction and Maintenance, Beijing, China P. R., 17-18 September 2007 Co-sponsored by FIG WG 6.4. Read more: www.bridgemanagement2007.com

# 21<sup>st</sup> International CIPA Symposium on "AntiCIPAting the Future of the Cultural Past", Athens, Greece, 1-6 October 2007

Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 3. Read more: <u>www.survey.ntua.gr/hosted/cipathens 2007</u>

GeoCongress Quebec 2007 – Histoire de voir le monde and General Assembly of the Federation des Géomètres Francophones, Quebec City, Canada, 2-5 October 2007

Read more: <u>www.quebec2007.ca</u>

9<sup>th</sup> South East Asian Survey Congress incorporating FIG Commissions 4 and 5 workshops, Christchurch, New Zealand, 29 October – 1 November 2007 FIG Co-sponsored and recommended event. Read more: www.surveyors.org.nz/congress2007

International Symposium "Modern Technologies, Education and Professional Practice in Geodesy and Related Fields, Sofia, Bulgaria, 8-10 November 2007 Co-sponsored by FIG. Read more: www.gis-sofia.bg/sgzb

6<sup>th</sup> FIG Regional Conference, San Jose, Costa Rica, 12-15 November 2007 Read more: <u>www.fig.net</u>

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