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# **FIG Newsletter** February/March 2016

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG Newsletter, which brings you latest information about FIG and its activities. The information referred here is in full length available on the FIG web site. Thus the 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 Newsletter is circulated monthly or bi-monthly by e-mail. 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 and networks.

#### **Article of the Month**

Each month on the FIG web site we publish 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 a FIG conference or another event.

The article in **March 2016** is written by Paul Denys and Chris Pearson (New Zealand): Positioning in Active Deformation Zones - Implications for NetworkRTK and GNSS Processing Engines. This peer reviewed paper will be presented at the FIG Working Week in Christchurch, New Zealand. The paper considers examples in New Zealand of nonlinear deformation that includes post-seismic relaxation and slow slip events. www.fig.net/resources/monthly articles/2016/denys pearson march 2016.asp

The article in **February 2016** is written by Him Lal Shrestha, Nawaraj Chapagain, Krishna Ram Dhital, Sujan Adhikari (Nepal): Geospatial analysis of forest resources availability for the reconstruction after Earthquake 2015. This paper was presented at the FIG - ISPRS workshop International Workshop on Role of Land Professionals and SDI in Disaster Risk Reduction: In the Context of Post 2015 Nepal Earthquake in Kathmandu, Nepal, 25-27 November, 2015. In April 2015 a earthquake stroke Nepal. The rebuild of the country has increased the demand of forest resources. Through a geospatial approach this study links the devastation, demand generated on forest resources and the resource availability in Gorkha district.

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## Agenda for FIG General Assembly 2016 2 and 6 May 2016, Christchurch, New Zealand



Recovery from disaster

The FIG General Assembly will be held 02 and 06 May in Christchurch, New Zealand in conjunction to the FIG Working Week 2016. The main issues on the agenda will be election of two FIG Vice Presidents for the period 2017-2020 and the venue for FIG Working Week 2020. Hereto there will be presentation and discussion of the proposal submitted by the Task Force on Commission structure on a proposal on the future commission structure.

General Assembly agenda:

www.fig.net/organisation/general assembly/agendas and minut es/2016/agenda.asp

General Assembly agenda as a .pdf file (24 pages): www.fig.net/organisation/general assembly/agendas and minut

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### FIG Working Week 2016 - 2-6 May 2016 in Christchurch, New Zealand



## A diversified and packed technical programme

During the three conference days there will be a packed programmed with sessions based both on papers received through the open call for papers, peer reviewed papers and special sessions on current topics.

Key Note Speaker at the Opening Ceremony, **Margareta Wahlstrom**, UNISDR will talk about the post Sendai agenda, the role of the geospatial professional in this agenda and outline some of the initiatives that have arisen since Sendai in support of country efforts to reduce the risk of disasters.

Each day invited international recognized experts will elaborate on topics within the overall theme of the Working Week "Recovery from Disaster".



Check out the pre-conference events on Small Island
Development, History, Young Surveyors, and Reference
Frames in Practice.

There will also be special forums for Academic members organized in cooperation with FAO, Member Association Forum and our special Director General Forum.

Programme at a glance: <a href="www.fig.net/fig2016/program.htm">www.fig.net/fig2016/program.htm</a>
Technical Program: <a href="www.fig.net/fig2016/proceedings.htm">www.fig.net/fig2016/proceedings.htm</a>
Detailed Programme: <a href="www.fig.net/fig2016/proceedings.htm">www.fig.net/fig2016/proceedings.htm</a>

#### Register now

Secure your ticket for the Working Week. Deadline for normal fee is **1 April 2016**. <a href="http://www.fig.net/fig2016/registration.htm">http://www.fig.net/fig2016/registration.htm</a>



And - do not miss the **Young Surveyors Charity Run:** www.fig.net/fig2016/charityrun.htm

### Make sure that you get a discount on your flight

It is now time to prepare for your stay in Christchurch and New Zealand. We have made an agreement with **Star Alliance**, so when you book your trip, please check:

www.fig.net/fig2016/flightstochristchurch.htm for guidance to how you book, and remember to use the special code: **NZ01S16** to save up to 20% on your flight ticket.



More information about the FIG Working Week and how to prepare for your participation at: <a href="https://www.fig.net/fig2016">www.fig.net/fig2016</a>

#### **Exhibition area**

Be exposed while you are in Christchurch...There are still a few stands at the exhibition left:

http://www.fig.net/fig2016/exhibition.htm

## We thank our Working Week partners and sponsors:







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Young Surveyors from the region were invited to join this event. The meeting was hosted by and held in conjunction with the Minnesota Society of Professional Surveyors (MSPS) Annual Conference. Key industry leaders were asked to inspire the participants about the future ahead of them. Also the participants learned more about FIG, FIG Young Surveyors Network and NSPS Young Surveyors.

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#### **News from Commissions:**

Proceedings from The Blue Economy Conference organized by FIG Commission 4: <a href="https://www.fig.net/resources/proceedings/2015/2015">www.fig.net/resources/proceedings/2015/2015</a> 04 BE.asp

## **Vacancies and project opportunities**

www.fig.net/about/jobs/index.asp

#### **Forthcoming events**

#### 20 - 22 April, Novosibirsk, Russia

XIIth International exhibition and scientific forum "Interexpo GEO-Siberia- 2016", organised by Siberian State University of Geosystems and Technologies (SSUGT) and Exhibition operator LLC "Interexpo Geo- Siberia", co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: www.expo-geo.ru

### 2-6 May, Christchurch, New Zealand



FIG Working Week and General Assembly.

Web site: <a href="https://www.fig.net/fig2016">www.fig.net/fig2016</a>

## 20-22 May, Varaždin, Croatia

Croatian Geodetic Society, in co-operation with the Faculty of Geodesy University of Zagreb, organizes the SIG 2016 - International Symposium on Engineering Geodesy, cosponsored by the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG), Commission 6.

Web site: www.geof.unizg.hr/sig2016

### 5-8 July, Salzburg, Austria

GI\_Forum 2016 - organised by UNIGIS, Z\_GIS, GIScience and OAW. Call for Papers:

December 1, 2015 - February 1, 2016. Co-sponsored by FIG

Web site: <a href="http://www.gi-forum.org">http://www.gi-forum.org</a>

## 2-4 August, Johannesburg, South Africa

Geomatics Indaba 2016 - organised by organised by the the Geo-Information Society of South Africa (GISSA), the Institute of Mine Surveyors of Southern Africa (IMSSA), the South African Geomatics Insitute (SAGI), and EE Publishers (publishers of PositionIT). Supported by PLATO and FIG.

Web site: <a href="http://geomatics.org.za/">http://geomatics.org.za/</a>

### 11-13 October 2016, Hamburg, Germany

InterGeo Organised by DVW.

Web site: <a href="http://www.intergeo.de/">http://www.intergeo.de/</a>

## 18-21 October 2016, Athens, Greece

FIG 5th International Workshop on 3D Cadastres organized together with the 11th 3D GeoInfo Conference

#### 19-21 September 2016 Athens, Greece

Workshop on Sustainable Real Estate Markets Policy Framework & Necessary Reforms Organised by FIG Task Force on Property Markets and Technical Chamber of Greece More info at: <a href="mailto:okal@central.tee.gr">okal@central.tee.gr</a>

## **November 2016, The Netherlands**

Land Consolidation and Readjustment for Sustainable Development - Designing Resilient Landscapes and Empowering Communities. Co-organised by FIG and Dutch Kadaster in close co-operation with FAO. This event is organised because of the celebration of 100 years of land consolidation in the Netherlands in 2016.

## 29 May - 2 June 2017, Helsinki, Finland

FIG WORKING WEEK 2017



with the overall theme "Surveying the world of tomorrow – from digitalisation to augmented reality".

Web site: <a href="https://www.fig.net/fig2017">www.fig.net/fig2017</a>

### 6-11 May 2018, Istanbul, Turkey



FIG Congress 2018

For **additional FIG and FIG Commission events** see always up-to-date information at: <a href="https://www.fig.net/events/index.asp">www.fig.net/events/index.asp</a>



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