

FIG Working Week and XXXII General Assembly

“Surveyors Key Role in Accelerated Development”

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Eilat, Israel, 3-8 May 2009



The WW was hosted jointly by ALSI, the Association of Licensed Surveyors in Israel and FIG in co-operation with the Survey of Israel

More than 500 delegates attended

With exhibitors and accompanying persons about 650, included 60 students

The technical program included 60 plenary and technical sessions with about 250 presentations and workshops

General Assembly 4th and 8th May

President's report for 2008

FIG Accounts for 2008

Budget for 2009, 2010, 2011

Report on task forces

Developing Global Land Tools for Pro poor
Land management

chaired by Prof. Paul van der Molen

Institutional and Organisational Development
chaired by Iain Greenway

Opening Ceremony

Was held in Dan Eilat Hotel. Mr. Joseph Kraus, President of ALSI welcomed the WW

Israeli surveyors made a lot of efforts to get the right of organizing this major FIG conference again. 37 years passed since 1972 when Tel Aviv hosted a FIG conference

Israel has been already elected to host WW but it was cancelled and Paris hosted the WW in that year



Stig Enemark President of FIG stated in his opening speech that the world is currently facing two major challenges: the global financial crisis and the climate change

FIG is aware of these problems and tries to find opportunities to deal with

The keynote presentation was given by Dr. Isaac Ben Israel, Chairman of the Israel Space agency on "Israeli Space Program"

Plenary sessions

At the Plenary sessions, three important topics were discussed

- ❑ Geoinformation management
 - ❑ Emergency and Natural Resource management
 - ❑ GNSS, Geo Sciences and Surveying
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Commission 7 activities

András Oस्कó chair of the commission was not able to participate due to sudden sickness

Daniel Roberge chair elect and Daniel Steudler vice chair replaced him during ACCO meeting, General Assembly and also the Commission 7 meeting

Commission 7 meeting

Progress of organizing the Annual meeting 2009

Libor Tomandl Czech delegate announced officially, Czech Republic will host the Annual meeting in 2010

Technical sessions

About 55 technical sessions with 230 presentations

Commission 7 was the major contributor to technical sessions

Commission 7 was involved in 13 sessions

- 7 full commission 7 sessions with about 30 speakers
- 6 joint sessions with Commission 1,3,8 (30 presentations) about 15 commission 7

Many thanks for Commission 7 delegates

ACCO- Advisory Committee of Commission officials

Council members, Commission chairs, chairs elect meet periodically

ACCO members discussed many issues

Reports on current Task forces

1. Institutional and organizational development chaired by Iain Greenway vice president
 2. Developing Global Land Tool for pro poor land management chaired by Prof. Paul van der Molen
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There was proposal for two new task forces

□ Spatially Enabled Societies

Chair: Dr. Daniel Steudler vice chair Commission 7

□ FIG Africa

Chair. Dr. Diane Dumashie chair Commission 8

Conversion of the Young Surveyors working group to
the Young Surveyors Network



How could FIG be more visible in the debate on climate change, poverty alleviation and disaster risk management

Per review Process at the FIG events. No intention review for Regional Conferences

Chryssy Potsiou chair commission 3 presented statistics

Sydney- estimated 100-150 presentations, big efforts are needed



Social events

Gala dinner at the King Solomon's
Pillars in Timna Park
FIG Foundation Dinner

Technical tours

Visit to Petra in Jordan
Post conference tours Dead Sea and
Jerusalem
