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FIG e-Newsletter June 2008

Dear Colleagues,

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 – June 2008

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 June 2008 is written by Ms. **Agneta Ericsson** from Sweden. Her paper "What Makes the Swedish Cadastral System so Special and Successful?" is prepared for presentation at the FIG Working Week in Stockholm, Sweden, 14-19 June 2008.

http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/june_2008/june_2008_ericsson.html

FIG Working Week 2008 – 14-19 June, Stockholm, Sweden

Technical programme and proceedings for the FIG Working Week 2008 in Stockholm 14-19 June 2008 are now available at: www.fig.net/pub/fig2008

You can still register to the Working Week and to the FIG/UN-HABITAT Seminar on Improving Slum Conditions through Innovative Financing. For more information see the conference web site:

www.fig.net/fig2008

Register online at:

<https://www.fig.net/registrations/regform.asp?eventid=50>

Information about the FIG / UN-Habitat Seminar on "Improving Slum Conditions through Innovative Financing":

www.fig.net/fig2008/justnsustshelter/ and www.justnsustshelter.org and

Register to dialogues at: www.fig.net/registrations/eventreg.htm

General Assembly in Stockholm, Sweden - 15 and 19 June 2008

The agenda for the FIG General Assembly to be held in Stockholm, Sweden **15 and 19 June 2008** during the FIG Working Week 2008 is available on the web. The General Assembly will among other issues elect two Vice Presidents to the Council for 2009-2012 and Chairs Elect to the technical commissions.

Read the updated agenda for the General Assembly:

www.fig.net/admin/ga/2008/agenda.htm

The agenda as a .pdf-file (18 pages and 162 KB) as sent to the members:

www.fig.net/admin/ga/2008/agenda_app/agenda.pdf

The agenda as sent to the members with appendices as a .pdf-file (238 pages and 7,520 KB): www.fig.net/admin/ga/2008/agenda_app/agenda_with_appendices.pdf

News from last month:

FIG President Stig Enemark visits the Croatian Geodetic Society at the 15th biannual meeting - Rovinj, Croatia, 22-25 May 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/croatia_may_2008.htm

Improving the FIG/UN-HABITAT cooperation: FIG President Stig Enemark attends the GLTN International Advisory Board Meeting, during the 16th Session of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development - UN Headquarters, New York, 6-8 May 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/csd_new_york_may_2008.htm

Vice President Paul van der Molen delivers a keynote at the 2nd Cadastral Congress in Ankara - Ankara, Turkey, 21-24 May 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/ankara_may_2008.htm

FIG President Stig Enemark attends FAO / UN-HABITAT Expert Group Meeting on Guidelines for Addressing Land Issues after Natural Disasters - Geneva, Switzerland, 21-23 April 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/geneva_april_2008.htm

Land Professionals Workshop on Gendering Land Tools organised by UN-HABITAT in Co-operation with FIG Commission 8 - Bagamoyo, Tanzania, 10-11 March 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/bagamoyo_march_2008.htm

FIG present at Workshop on Legal Empowerment of the Poor in the UN/ECE Region - Bergen, Norway, 10-11 April 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/news/news_2008/bergen_april_2008.htm

International Seminar on State and Public Land Management in Verona, Italy, 9-10 September 2008

International Seminar on State and Public Land Management will be organised in Verona, Italy, September 9-10, 2008, just before the FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting. The seminar is organised by FIG Commission 7 and the Consiglio Nazionale Geometri (CNG), in co-operation with FIG Commission 9 and FAO Land Tenure and Management Unit. The major goal of the seminar is to share experience and discuss policy options and practices in relation to state and public sector land management, including between land managers, policy advisers and decision makers and their professional advisers, and the civil society organisations working in these areas. The seminar will help raise global awareness of problems associated with state/public land and its management, improve knowledge of good practices in this area, and encourage these to be increasingly addressed in new development initiatives. Registration closes **7 July 2008**.

Invitation: www.fig.net/events/2008/verona_seminar_09_2008.pdf

Web site : www.collegio.geometri.vr.it/seminar/

FIG Task Force on Institutional and Organisational Development Questionnaire

The Task Force on Institutional and Organisational Development, set up at the 2007 FIG General Assembly, has been progressing its work. A key element to allow further progress is for the Task Force to understand areas where particular support and assistance is required, and whether this is the same throughout the world or varies by region. To allow it to gather information in a structured manner, the Task Force has created an on-line survey which will take about 20 minutes to complete. As many

surveyors, and related professionals, as possible are encouraged to complete the questionnaire.

Read more about the Task Force at its web site: <http://www.fig.net/tf/organisation/>
Complete the questionnaire at: www.questionpro.com/akira/takesurvey?id=878684

New FIG Publications finished after latest e-Newsletter:

FIG Publication no. 43 - Costa Rica Declaration on Pro-Poor Coastal Zone Management

FIG Policy Statement. Printed copies will be available in Stockholm in June 2008.
Read more: www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub43/figpub43.htm

New publications that will be available in Stockholm:

The FIG Profile and the benefits of being a member 2007 - 2010

FIG leaflet. Printed copies will be available in Stockholm in June 2008.

Read more: www.fig.net/general/profile.htm

Download as a .pdf file: www.fig.net/general/profile/6pages_070508.pdf

FIG Publication no. 39 - FIG Work Plan 2007-2010

FIG Regulations. Printed copies will be available in Stockholm in June 2008.

Read more: www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub39/figpub39.htm

FIG Publication no. 40 - FIG Statutes, Internal Rules and Guidelines

FIG Regulations. Draft version - Final version will be available in June 2008 after the General Assembly.

Read more: www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub40/figpub40.htm

FIG Publication no. 41 - Capacity Assessment in Land Administration

FIG Guide. Printed copies will be available in June 2008.

Read more: www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub41/figpub41.htm

FIG Publication no. 42 - Informal Settlements: The Road towards More Sustainable Places

FIG Report. Printed copies will be available in June 2008.

Read more: www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub42/figpub42.htm

Forthcoming events:

International Workshop "Sharing Good Practices: e--Learning in Surveying, Geo-information Sciences and Land Administration" jointly organised by FIG Commission 2, Commission 7 and the International Institute for Geo-information Science and Earth Observation (ITC). Enschede, the Netherlands, 11-13 June 2008

Read more: www.itc.nl/fig_elearning2008

FIG Working Week 2008, Stockholm, Sweden, 14-19 June 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/fig2008/

International Seminar on State and Public Land Management, Verona, Italy, 9-10 September 2008

Registration by **7 July 2008**.

Read more: www.fig.net/commission7

Web site: www.collegio.geometri.vr.it/seminar/

Commission 7 Annual Meeting and International Workshop on "Land Administration – Impact of Big Construction Works on Territory". Verona, Italy, 11-15 September 2008.

Registration by **7 July 2008**.

Read more: www.fig.net/commission7

Web site: www.collegio.geometri.vr.it/meeting/

INGEO 2008 – 4th International Conference on Engineering Surveying. Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 6. Bratislava, Slovakia, 23-24 October 2008.

Read more: web.svf.stuba.sk/kat/GDE/Welcome.html

Commission 3 Workshop on Spatial Information for Sustainable Management of Urban Areas. Mainz, Germany, 3-5 February 2009.

Deadline for papers: 6 October 2008

Read more: www.fig.net/commission3

FIG Working Week 2009, Eilat, Israel, 3-8 May 2009

Read more: www.fig.net/fig2009

7th FIG Regional Conference, Hanoi, Vietnam, 19-22 October 2009

Read more: www.fig.net/vietnam

For **additional FIG and FIG Commission events** see always up-to-date information at: www.fig.net/events/events.htm

Job opportunities (latest updated 4 May 2008)

Read more: www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm

Personalia and visits (latest updated 15 May 2008)

Read more: www.fig.net/personalia/

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