

## **Opening speech Mr Murat Meha from KCA**

Honored ladies and gentlemen,  
Honored President, dear colleagues,

It is my great pleasure that on behalf of KCA and on my behalf to warmly welcome you on this Symposium with theme "Land administration in post conflict areas".

The Symposium is organised from FIG in co-organisation with KCA and UNHABITAT. It has multi effects in many aspects like science, professional and practices.

So the symposium is a result of discussions that I had with Mr Paul van der Molen during the Cadastral Congress in Krakow - Poland 2003. I was pleased with the way how Mr Van der Molen approached to this theme where I find his support.

Reason of proposing the theme "Land administration in post conflict areas" is because we have had and we have a lot of conflicts and wars in the world. There are different reasons for these conflicts or wars. One of the reasons of these conflicts is the violation in ownership. In the countries in which conflicts happens the property relations were aggravate even more.

Aim of this theme is to implement the lessons learned and achieved results from the countries that have passed through the conflicts to the post conflict countries too. Cadastre is a main database for the property relations and land administration. Therefore Cadastre should be a complete documentation of the public and private rights and restrictions for land owners and land users, as a wide land information system.

It is known that the effects of the cadastre and land administration are not current and rapid.

Positive effects in LA and Cadastre and from LA with Cadastre can be seen in 3-5 years period.

We hope that post conflict countries will have benefits from results and conclusions which will be coming from this Symposium.

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