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## **FIG e-Newsletter August 2010**

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the FIG e-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 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 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 – August 2010**

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 August 2010 is "**Terrestrial Laser Scanning for Mainstream Land Surveying**". It is written by **Mike Pinkerton**, New Zealand and has been prepared and presented at the FIG Congress 2010 in Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010. This paper provides a good introduction for those who are thinking about the question whether to invest in laser scanning.

[http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/august\\_2010/august\\_2010\\_pinkerton.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/august_2010/august_2010_pinkerton.html)

Handouts of this presentation as a .pdf file:

[http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/ppt/fs03d/fs03d\\_pinkerton\\_ppt\\_3814.pdf](http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/ppt/fs03d/fs03d_pinkerton_ppt_3814.pdf)

### **FIG Working Week 2011 - Bridging the Gap between Cultures - Marrakech, Morocco, 18-22 May 2011**



FIG Working Week and General Assembly 2011 will be held in Marrakech, Morocco 18-22 May 2011. Final invitation will be available by the end of September 2010. At the same time the web site and registration information will be updated.

Please note that the deadline for peer review papers and abstracts is **12 November 2010**.

- Call for paper - deadline for peer review papers and abstracts 12 November 2010: [http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig2011\\_call.pdf](http://www.fig.net/fig2011/fig2011_call.pdf)
- For all papers submit your abstract here: <http://www.fig.net/abstractdb/submit.asp?id=13>
- FIG Working Week web site: [www.fig.net/fig2011](http://www.fig.net/fig2011) and [www.onigt.ma/fig2011](http://www.onigt.ma/fig2011) (French and Arabic)

## Reports from last month

### FIG Council adopts the Sydney Declaration and new members at its meeting in July



FIG Council discussing the issues related to the FIG Congress in Sydney.

The FIG Council had a Council meeting by email in July to follow up the outcome of the FIG Congress in Sydney. At this meeting the final version of the Sydney Declaration was endorsed. The Council also approved new members: the Ethiopian Surveying Professionals Association (ESPA) as a member association (to be endorsed by the General Assembly); China Land Surveying and Planning Institute as affiliate member; two new corporate members: FARO and Hi-Target Survey Instruments Company Ltd from China both at silver level; and Zonguldak Karaelmas University as a new academic member. In addition arrangements for the handover meeting 25-26 November 2010 were approved.

The final version of the Sydney Declaration:

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/council\\_july\\_2010/sydney\\_declaration.pdf](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/council_july_2010/sydney_declaration.pdf)

FIG Congress 2010: <http://www.fig.net/news/fig2010/index.htm>

### Vice President Teo attends the 14th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors Congress and Board Meeting - Singapore, 25 July 2010



Chairman of PAQS **TEOH WeiSin** and FIG Vice President **TEO CheeHai**.

FIG was invited to the 14th PAQS Congress and the Board Meeting of the Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors by the current Chairman of the PAQS, Mr. **TEOH WeiSin** (from the Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers), to address and interact with the PAQS Board over the proposed collaboration and MoU between FIG and PAQS. The meeting was held at the Resort World Convention Centre, Sentosa Island in Singapore on the 25th July 2010.

Read the report:

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/paqs\\_july\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/paqs_july_2010.htm)

### Vice President Teo attends the Expert Group Meeting on Transparency in Land Administration: A Human Capacity Building Agenda for South and South East Asia - Yogyakarta, Indonesia, 19-22 July 2010



Participants at the Expert Group Meeting in Yogyakarta.

Transparency in land administration (TLA) is the first and foremost training program that the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) has been implementing in cooperation with the Training and Capacity Building Branch (TCBB) of UN-HABITAT and the International Institute for Geo-information Science and Earth Observation (ITC), University of Twente. This joint activity for South and South East Asia was hosted by the Department of Geodetic Engineering, Gajah Mada University in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. FIG was represented by Vice President **TEO CheeHai**.

Read the report:

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/indonesia\\_july\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/indonesia_july_2010.htm)

### **Job vacancies – 3 new job advertisements**

[www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm](http://www.fig.net/jobs/jobindex.htm)

### **Forthcoming events**

#### **26-28 August, London, United Kingdom**

FIG Commission 2 Workshop on the Trends in Surveying Education and Training.

Organised by FIG Commission 2 and the University of East London.

Web site: [www.uel.ac.uk/fig/](http://www.uel.ac.uk/fig/)

#### **30 August - 2 September 2010**



Intergraph 2010 - International Users' Conference.

Web site: [www.intergraph2010.com](http://www.intergraph2010.com)

#### **3-7 September, Blue Bay Recreation Centre, Zhyryanovsky Region, Kazakhstan**

FIG Commissions 5 and 6 Workshop on "Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth Resources". Organised for the first time in Kazakhstan by FIG, Agency of RK for Land Resources Management, D. Serikbaev East Kazakhstan State Technical University, and Siberian State Academy of Geodesy (SSGA).

Web site: <http://www.ektu.kz/>

Invitation brochure: [http://www.fig.net/events/2010/kazakhstan\\_2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2010/kazakhstan_2010.pdf)

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#### **6-10 September, Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic**

FIG Commission 7 Annual Meeting and International Seminar.

Web site and registration: <http://figc7am2010.xf.cz>

#### **6-10 September, Bogota, Colombia**

International Seminar on Biodiversity, Environment and Geo-sciences. Organised by Faculty of Engineering of the Distrital University of Bogota. Cosponsored by FIG.

Invitation brochure (in Spanish): [http://www.fig.net/events/2010/seminary\\_icg.jpg](http://www.fig.net/events/2010/seminary_icg.jpg)

Web site: [www.udistrital.edu.co/comunidad/eventos/semanaicg](http://www.udistrital.edu.co/comunidad/eventos/semanaicg)

#### **15-17 September, Zurich, Switzerland**

2010 International Conference on Indoor Positioning and Indoor Navigation (IPIN). Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 5.

Web site: [www.ipin.ethz.ch](http://www.ipin.ethz.ch)

#### **15-17 September, Skopje, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)**

International Conference on Spatial Data Infrastructures 2010. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site and registration: [http://sdi2010.evkartenn.com/?page\\_id=19](http://sdi2010.evkartenn.com/?page_id=19)

More information: [sdiconf2010@gmail.com](mailto:sdiconf2010@gmail.com)

#### **16-18 September, San Jose, Costa Rica**

Geomatics, an integral discipline at obtaining and processing geospace data. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Invitation brochure: [www.fig.net/events/2010/costa-rica-2010.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2010/costa-rica-2010.pdf) (pdf 4 Mb)

Web site: [www.colegiotopografoscr.com/congreso2010/](http://www.colegiotopografoscr.com/congreso2010/)

**20 September - 8 October, Rome, Italy**

2nd International Training Course for Surveyors. Organised by Consiglio Nazionale Geometri e Geometri Laureati. Co-sponsored by FIG.

**5-7 October, Cologne, Germany**

INTERGEO.

Web site: [www.intergeo.de](http://www.intergeo.de)

**14-15 October, Niamey, Niger**

Capacity building, professional ethics and organization of the surveying profession in West Africa. Workshop for West African countries organised by FGF in collaboration with UN-Habitat and GLTN. Co-sponsored by FIG.

Web site: [www.fgf-geo.org/index.php](http://www.fgf-geo.org/index.php)

**25-27 October, San Ramon, CA, USA**



2010 HDS Worldwide User Conference. Leica High Definition Surveying (HDS) user conference.

Web site: [http://hds.leica-geosystems.com/en/Events\\_6441.htm?id=6896](http://hds.leica-geosystems.com/en/Events_6441.htm?id=6896)

**8-10 November, Las Vegas, USA**



Trimble Dimensions 2010 - Converge. Connect. Collaborate.

Web site: [www.trimbledimensions.com](http://www.trimbledimensions.com)

**11-12 November, Mombasa, Kenya**

FIG Africa Task Force Workshop. Organised by FIG Africa Task Force.

Web site: [www.fig.net/tf/africa/index.htm](http://www.fig.net/tf/africa/index.htm)

**14-17 November, Sofia Bulgaria**

Joint FIG Commission 3 Annual Meeting and Comm. 3 and 7 Workshop on: "Information and Land Management. A Decade after the Millennium"

Web site: [www.conference.kig-bg.org/](http://www.conference.kig-bg.org/)

**25-26 November, Copenhagen, Denmark**

FIG Handover Ceremony.

Web site: [www.fig.net](http://www.fig.net)

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**18-22 May, Marrakech, Morocco**



Bridging the Gap between Cultures. FIG Working Week and General Assembly.

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- For all papers submit your abstract online here: <http://www.fig.net/abstractdb/submit.asp?id=13>

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

### **New FIG Publications**

8 new publications were launched in Sydney in April 2010

<http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/index.htm>

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