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## FIG Newsletter - December 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.

### FIG Office wishes you



FIG is all about Networking...

Seasons Greeting and a Happy New Year!  
Joyeux Noël et Bonne Année  
Fröhliche Weihnachten und Ein Gutes Neues Jahr  
Feliz Navidad y Prospero año nuevo!  
Kul sanna wa'intum b'kheir  
새해 복 많이 받으세요!  
Glædelig jul og godt nytår

Please note that FIG Office will be closed from 23 December 2016 until 3 January 2017.

We will be looking forward to the cooperation with you in 2017.

### To members

Please note that the yearly membership invoice will be sent out in January. The email will be sent from FIG, but sender will be “@e-economics.dk”. Please note that this email is not spam although it is sent from another email address than our usual @fig.net. This will be the only email from us that is not sent from our normal email addresses! Please keep an eye on the email...

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### Article of the Month – December 2016

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 **December 2016** is written by **Cromwell MANALOTO, Daniele BRANCATO, Alessandro DALMASSO, Luca DAL BUONO, Angelo CRESCENZI, Italy** : **Project BDI: the Socioeconomic Impact of Comparable Property Analysis through GIS**. The paper was presented at the FIG Commission 3 Workshop and Annual Meeting in Iasi, Romania and was selected among the papers at the workshop to be FIG Article of the Month. The article focuses on the BDI – Real Estate Comparable Database Project, created to provide a strategic tool to all entities operating in the real estate sector

[http://www.fig.net/resources/monthly\\_articles/2016/manaloto\\_etal\\_december\\_2016.asp](http://www.fig.net/resources/monthly_articles/2016/manaloto_etal_december_2016.asp)

## FIG WORKING WEEK 2017 – HELSINKI, FINLAND

Registration has opened



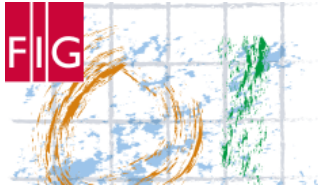
It is now time to register for FIG Working Week 2017 that will take place in Helsinki, Finland **29 May – 2 June 2017** at Messukeskus Expo and Convention Centre.



### Register now

Do not miss the opportunity to register at the early bird fee. The Working Week will be packed with technical sessions on latest research and best practice. The technical programme committee has received an impressive number of relevant abstracts and are now planning the sessions. You also have a chance to explore Finnish nature, culture and creativity throughout the long long days with almost no dark nights in the month of June.

Register here: [fig.net/fig2017/registration.htm](http://fig.net/fig2017/registration.htm)



### Exhibition and sponsorship possibilities

900-1000 participants are expected at the Working Week from around 80 countries which is a unique opportunity for you to expose your brand and company. Be part of the lively exhibition. You can also be visible through the various sponsorship possibilities.

Sponsorship opportunities: <http://fig.net/fig2017/sponsorships.htm>

Exhibition: <http://fig.net/fig2017/exhibition.htm>

The conference web site is updated regularly [www.fig.net/fig2017](http://www.fig.net/fig2017)

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## NEWS

### African Land Professionals working to ensure good land governance, 16-18 November 2016, Abidjan, Ivory Coast



Attended by 35 land professionals over the two day ARN workshop, participants were drawn from across the spectrum of land survey, valuation, quantity surveying and planning, and who travelled from across the Africa continent.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_11\\_arn.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_11_arn.asp)

## **ChinterGEO 2016 - Creating a new era founded on 20 years' continuity, 24 -26 November 2016 Suzhou, China**



Hans Ni (Beijing iSpatial Co., Ltd) represented FIG at the 20th Chintergeo which has grown to be one of the most important exhibitions.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_11\\_chintergeo.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_11_chintergeo.asp)

## **Women's Land Rights Expert Group Meeting, 27-29 November, Apeldoorn, The Netherlands**



Dorine Burmanje (Chair Executive Board Kadaster) addressing the EGM

FIG Vice President Diane Dumashie attended the Expert Group Meeting on how organisations can assist to strengthen capacity development, documentation and joint catalytic action of women in their rightful claim to improved land governance.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_11\\_women\\_egm.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_11_women_egm.asp)

## **Activities in the Pacific Region November / December 2016**



FIG Asia Pacific Capacity Development Network participated in various meetings in November and December. Read more for an update on FIG AP CDN activities.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_12\\_ap\\_cdn.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_12_ap_cdn.asp)

## **The International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG-11) 7-11 November 2016, Sochi, Russia**



FIG Vice President Mikael Lilje represented FIG at the meeting. The meeting concluded with a joint statement. Read the main findings from the meeting and Work Group D.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_11\\_icg.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_11_icg.asp)

## **From Volume to Quality: Bridging the Gap for Spatial Data Infrastructure – Commission 3 Workshop, 3-7 November 2016, Iasi, Romania**

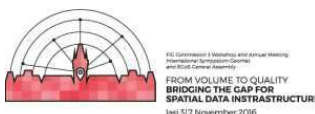


FIG Commission 3 annual Workshop and the conference Geomat 2016 was held in Iasi, Romania. Read the reports from both events.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_11\\_com3.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_11_com3.asp)

## Vice President Diane Dumashie attends Habitat III 17 - 20 October 2016, Quito, Ecuador



The Habitat III Conference mission was the adoption of a New Urban Agenda (NUA)—an action-oriented document which will set global standards of achievement in sustainable urban development, rethinking the way we build, manage, and live in cities through drawing together cooperation with committed partners, relevant stakeholders, and urban actors at all levels of government as well as the private sector.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_10\\_habitatIII.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_10_habitatIII.asp)

## From Fit-For-Purpose to Multi-Purpose Commission 7 Annual Event 24-28 October 2016, Coimbra, Portugal



Knight Schennach and her Commission 7 Legion

Like other years the annual meeting was combined with a conference for international guests and for members of the national association. Both meetings were organised together with the "Ordem dos Engenheiros (OE)" (the Portuguese Engineers Professional Association).

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_10\\_com7.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_10_com7.asp)

## FIG Honorary Member Jan de Graeve receives Belgian Order, December 2016



The King of Belgium has granted the Belgian Officier de la Couronne (Order of the Crown) to FIG Honorary Member Jan de Graeve. The Order was presented by The Belgian Foreign Minister Didier Reynders on 12 December 2016.

[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/2016\\_12\\_jan-de-graeve.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/2016_12_jan-de-graeve.asp)

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## SURVEYS

### ISO LADM based international information model for property valuation

This is part of an ongoing research which aims at developing a LADM based international information model for property valuation, namely an ISO LADM Valuation Module for the specification of registries used in immovable property valuation.

[www.fig.net/organisation/comm/9/activities/news/Questionnaire\\_for\\_LADM\\_Valuation\\_Module.docx](http://www.fig.net/organisation/comm/9/activities/news/Questionnaire_for_LADM_Valuation_Module.docx)

### “Exploring the VGGT in Practice”

This Academic Member working group was at the Working Week 2016 to identify and strengthen the role of the surveying professional in the implementation of the FAO Voluntary Guidelines (VGGT).

Read more: [www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/explore\\_VGGT.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/explore_VGGT.asp)  
Go to online survey: <https://de.surveymonkey.com/r/8X9PVDG>  
Off-line survey: [www.fig.net/news/news\\_2016/explore\\_vgg/VGGT\\_Impact\\_Survey.pdf](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2016/explore_vgg/VGGT_Impact_Survey.pdf)

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## EVENTS

### 5-7 January, Hong Kong

*Asia GIS Conference*. Organised by Asia Geographic Information System Association (AGISA). Supported by FIG Commission 3.  
Web site: <http://www.dupad.hku.hk/agisc/>

### 30 January, Vancouver, Canada

OGC Marine Domain Working Group meeting.  
Read more on FIG Commission 4 site: <http://www.fig.net/organisation/comm/4/index.asp>  
Web site: <http://www.opengeospatial.org/node/2507>

### 16–17 March 2017, Novosibirsk, Russia

*Geostroy - Geospatial Solutions for Structural Design, Construction and Maintenance*. Organised by Novosibirsk State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering (Sibstrin) and exhibition operator “ExpoGEO” LLC  
Web site: <http://www.geostroy-sib.ru/en/>

### 16-17 March 2017, Delft, the Netherlands

*Preparatory ISO 19152 Meeting on the Second Edition of the Land Administration Domain Model*  
The preparatory meeting on March 16th 2017 will focus on the functionality of the second edition of the Land Administration Domain Model – LADM Edition II. This event will be organised in close co-operation with the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN), the International Standardisation Organisation (ISO) and by the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG).

On the following day, Friday 17, 2017 there will be a further meeting organised by Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) on the developments of operational standards for Land Administration.

### 20-24 March 2017, Washington DC, USA

*World Bank Conference*  
Web site: <http://www.worldbank.org/en/events/2016/08/22/land-and-poverty-conference-2017-responsible-land-governance-towards-an-evidence-based-approach#1>

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



*FIG Working Week and General Assembly*.  
Web site: [www.fig.net/fig2017](http://www.fig.net/fig2017)

### 29-30 July 2017, Kobe, Japan

*Technical Seminar on Reference Frame* Organised by FIG Commission 5 in cooperation with Japan

Federation of Surveyors, IAG, UN-GGIM-AP and ICG  
Web site: <http://www.fig.net/organisation/comm/5/index.asp>

**26-28 September 2017, Berlin, Germany**

*InterGeo* Organised by DVW

Web site: <http://www.intergeo.de/>

**18-20 October 2017, Lisbon, Portugal**

Ingeo 2017. Organised by the Department of Surveying STU Bratislava (Slovakia) and LNEC Lisbon (Portugal), Co-sponsored by FIG Commission 6

Web site: <http://ingeo2017.lnec.pt>

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**Vacancies and project opportunities**

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**FIG WORKING WEEK 2017**



29 May - 2 June  
Helsinki Finland

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