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## **FIG e-Newsletter July 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 – July 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 July 2010 is "*The Difficulties in Using Tide Gauges to Monitor Long-Term Sea Level Change*". It is written by **John Hannah**, New Zealand, and was presented at the XXIV FIG Congress in Sydney 11-16 April 2010 in the session on Vertical Reference Frame. The paper is a peer reviewed paper. John Hannah is a Registered Professional Surveyor and is a former President of the NZ Institute of Surveyors.

[www.fig.net/pub/monthly\\_articles/july\\_2010/july\\_2010\\_hannah.html](http://www.fig.net/pub/monthly_articles/july_2010/july_2010_hannah.html)

Handouts of this presentation as a .pdf file:

[www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/ppt/ts10i/ts10i\\_hannah\\_ppt\\_3786.pdf](http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/ppt/ts10i/ts10i_hannah_ppt_3786.pdf)

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



Web site: [www.fig.net/fig2011](http://www.fig.net/fig2011) and [www.onigt.ma/fig2011](http://www.onigt.ma/fig2011)

### **Reports from last month**

#### **FIG President Stig Enemark attends the ISPRS Centenary Celebrations - Vienna, Austria, 4 July 2010**



ISPRS President Orhan Altan and FIG President Stig Enemark.

The International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS) celebrated its 100 year anniversary at the Technical University of Vienna. President Stig Enemark represented FIG. As part of the celebrations the Joint Board of Geospatial Information Societies JB GIS launched a new publication "Geoinformation for Disaster Risk Management" at the UN Office for Outer Space Affairs (UN-OOSA).

Read more: [www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/isprs\\_july\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/isprs_july_2010.htm)

## **FIG President Stig Enemark visits the National Land Commission - Thimphu, Bhutan, 30 June 2010**



Sangay Khandu and President Stig Enemark.

Related to a consultancy on the national Cadastral Resurvey Project in Bhutan, President Stig Enemark met with Mr. Sangay Khandu, Honorary secretary of the Bhutan National Land Commission.

Bhutan Discussions were around the ongoing cadastral resurvey project and the development of a national land policy. Bhutan is currently establishing the cadastral and legislative basis towards a modern democratic and market based society.

Read more:

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/bhutan\\_june\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/bhutan_june_2010.htm)

## **Vice President Dalal S. Alnaggar attends the 40th Congress of Ordre des Géomètres-Experts - Marseille, France, 23-25 June 2010**



FIG Vice President Prof. **Dalal S. Alnaggar** represented the FIG President at the 40th Congress of Ordre des Géomètres-Experts (OGE) l'Agenda 21 des géomètres-experts in June in Marseille. She attended the congress for four days including meetings of the Fédération des Géomètres Francophones (FGF) and the Mediterranean Union of Surveyors (UMG). The OGE congress was a big success with 1,200 participants.

Read more:

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/marseilles\\_june\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/marseilles_june_2010.htm)

## **FIG President Stig Enemark visits the Mongolian Agency for Administration of Land Affairs, Construction, Geodesy and Cartography (ALACGaC) - Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 26 May 2010**



Mr. Batsukh and President Enemark.

In connection with a consultancy on the Property Rights Project of the Millennium Challenge Account-Mongolia, President Enemark met with Mr. Batsukh, Chief of ALACGaC being affiliate member of FIG. Discussions were around the ongoing development in Mongolia towards a market economy based on clearly identified private land rights. President Enemark also met with the staff of ALACGaC and highlighted the core role of efficient and effective cadastre systems in supporting the privatization process and building a modern society.

Read more:

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2010/mongolia\\_may\\_2010.htm](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2010/mongolia_may_2010.htm)

## **FIG Commissions 5 and 6 Workshop on "Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth Resources" - Blue Bay Recreation Centre, Zyryanovsky Region, Kazakhstan, 3-7 September 2010**



FIG Commission 5 and 6 Workshop on "Innovative Technologies for an Efficient Geospatial Management of Earth Resources" 3-7 September 2010 will be the first FIG event to be held in Kazakhstan. This workshop is organised by FIG, Agency of RK for Land Resources Management, D. Serikbaev East Kazakhstan State Technical University, and Siberian State Academy of Geodesy (SSGA). Read more about the workshop in the invitation brochure and on the workshop web site:

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

### Latest FIG Publications

- FIG Publication No. 45: Land Governance in Support of the Millennium Development Goals. A New Agenda for Land Professionals. FIG / World Bank Conference, Washington DC, USA 9–10 March 2009. FIG Policy Statement, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub45/figpub45.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub45/figpub45.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 46: Enhancing Surveying Education through e-Learning. A publication of FIG Commission 2 – Professional Education. FIG Report, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub46/figpub46.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub46/figpub46.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 47: Institutional and Organisational Development - A Guide for Managers. FIG Guide, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub47/figpub47.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub47/figpub47.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 48: Rapid Urbanization and Mega Cities: The Need for Spatial Information Management. Research study by FIG Commission 3. FIG Report 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub48/figpub48.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub48/figpub48.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 49: Cost Effective GNSS Positioning Techniques. FIG Commission 5 Publication. FIG Report, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub49/figpub49.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub49/figpub49.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 50: History of Surveying. FIG Report 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub50/figpub50.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub50/figpub50.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 51: Hanoi Declaration: Land Acquisition in Emerging Economies. FIG Policy Statement, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub51/figpub51.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub51/figpub51.htm)
- FIG Publication No. 52: The Social Tenure Domain Model - A Pro-Poor Land Tool. FIG Report, 2010  
[www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub52/figpub52.htm](http://www.fig.net/pub/figpub/pub52/figpub52.htm)
- FIG Annual Review 2009  
[www.fig.net/annual\\_review/anrew09/anrev09.htm](http://www.fig.net/annual_review/anrew09/anrev09.htm)  
[www.fig.net/annual\\_review/anrew09/areview2009.pdf](http://www.fig.net/annual_review/anrew09/areview2009.pdf)

### FIG Congress 2010 - Facing the Challenges – Building the Capacity - Biggest FIG Congress in the history full of professional highlights - Sydney, Australia, 11-16 April 2010

Congress proceedings: [www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/](http://www.fig.net/pub/fig2010/)

### Events in the next months

#### 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)  
Deadline for papers: **1 August 2010**

**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. Co-sponsored 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)

**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/)

**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)

**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 Seminar and Handover Ceremony.  
Web site: [www.fig.net](http://www.fig.net)

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