

**Report to the 36rd General Assembly
FIG Working Week, Abuja, Nigeria, May 2012**

FIG Foundation

Report of Activities 2012



The FIG Foundation

1. Administration

The FIG Foundation is located in and administered by the FIG Office in Copenhagen.

A Board of Directors chaired by the President of the FIG Foundation makes the decisions of the Foundation.

The Board of Directors for 2012 was as follows:

- John Hohol, President of the FIG Foundation (USA)
- Prof. Michael Barry, Director (Canada)
- Prof. Steve Frank, Director (USA)
- Prof. Chryssy Potsiou, Director (Greece)
- Prof. Paul van der Molen, Director (Netherlands)

2. Programmes with Corporate Members

FIG Foundation Partners

- Charter Foundation Partner Trimble Navigation continues to support the FIG Foundation by sponsorship of the FIG Foundation Dinner since 2010 and providing other support directly through the Foundation.

In addition there are two grant programmes under the FIG and the FIG Foundation:

- The ESRI/FIG Grant Programme was introduced in 2002 (on hold)
- The Intergraph/FIG Grant Programme was introduced in 2003 including different categories of grants (on hold).

3. Meetings 2012

The board held two meetings throughout 2012, an official meeting in Rome during the 2012 Working Week and an unofficial meeting during the 8th Regional Conference in Montevideo, Uruguay

At the meeting in Rome the board expressed sincere thanks to Keith Hofgartner representing FIG Platinum Corporate Member Trimble Navigation for generous continued support of the foundation including sponsorship of the FIG Foundation Dinner.

At the meeting FIG President CheeHai Teo was present to discuss various issues, among other things, how FIG Foundation may assist in spreading out some of the information that FIG knowledge bank consists of.

FIG Permanent Institution on History (IIHSM) represented by Jan de Graeve was invited due to the fact that, today, there is no book about the history of surveying available in English. There are books on parts of the surveying history but nothing that includes the full history. Therefore Jan de Graeve asked the Board to consider help with the realization of such a book. Target group will be mainly university students however it could be interesting for the whole surveying community.

The Board of the Foundation had a discussion on possible categories of other applications to fund:

- a) Research grants (which would be available to everyone, to be applied for using a 1-page standard application),
- b) Fellowships (primarily to developing countries, but should not be awarded to same person twice)
- c) Scholarships
- d) Separate travel grants (of up a few hundred EUR).

4. Grants 2012

FIG Foundation had decided to publish a 2012 FIG Foundation Academic Research Grants to provide for research grants of up to 20,000 euros spread over two years. The grants were intended to researchers representing countries which on the World Bank list are rated as low or lower middle income countries. At the deadline, FIG had received 8 applications of which two continued to a second round. At the meeting FIG Foundation Board decided not to grant any of the two with the FIG Foundation Academic Research Grant but re-published the call for grants for a new round. These grants should be decided upon in 2013.

FIG Foundation also decided on announcing a PhD Scholarship to help a PhD student in the final stage of the study, i.e. to someone who has a dissertation ready to publish. According to the statutes of the Foundation the PhD grants were intended to applicants who on the World Bank list are rated as low or lower middle income countries. Unfortunately, none of the received applications met the demands of the scholarship, and it was therefore decided to withdraw the scholarship.

The FIG Foundation decided at the 2011 FIG Working Week in Marrakech, Morocco to fully fund FIG Foundation Young Surveyor Fellowships for four young surveyors from developing countries to attend and participate in the 1st FIG Young Surveyors Conference and FIG Working Week in Rome. The four fellowships were awarded to:

- Rizqi Abdulharis (Indonesia)
- Luther Matonthu (Tanzania)
- Aliona Scutelnic (Moldova)
- Ronald Ssegendo (Uganda)

Additional support was provided to Kate Fairlie, Chair of the FIG Young Surveyors Network and Organizer of the 1st FIG Young Surveyors Conference to attend and participate in the conference and working week in Rome.

Encouraged by the success of the first FIG Young Surveyors Conference and the enthusiastic participation of 120+ young surveyors from over 40 countries at both the conference and working week, the FIG Foundation Board of Directors decided to provide additional funds to support FIG Young Surveyor Network (YSN) activities in 2012. All awards were made by application. These included:

Young Surveyor participation at African Task Force Workshop in Ghana, September 2012, 7 grants:

- Yusuf Aro-Lambo (Nigeria)
- Kate Fairlie (Australia)
- Luther Matontu (Tanzania)
- Leah Njuguna (Kenya)
- Adama Sarr (Senegal)
- Ronald Ssegando (Uganda)
- Benedicta Ugwulebo (Nigeria)

Young Surveyors participation in FIG Regional Conference 2012, November 2012 in Montevideo, Uruguay, 5 grants:

- Kate Fairlie (Australia)
- Thobias Furlanetti (Brazil)
- Genique J Kemp (Bahamas)
- Melissa Robert (Uruguay)
- Eva-Maria Unger (Austria)

2000 EUR in support to the CNGeGL two-week course for Young Surveyors: “IV International Training Course in Topography for Young Surveyors” which took place in September 2012 in Spain. Funds were also provided to Eva-Maria Unger, Secretary of the FIG Young Surveyors Network, to attend the opening of the course to make a presentation about the YSN and FIG.

Altogether 26,417 EUR was spent in 2012.

5. Donations in 2012

Rome:	EUR
Voluntary donations	2,090.00
Foundation Dinner and registration fee	16.717.00
Total Rome	18,807.00

Other donations

Trimble donation Uruguay	5,000.00
Ives Foundation (USD 5000.00)	3,600.00
Interest	
Interest 2012	3,885.00
Income FIG Foundation 2012	31,292.00

The voluntary donations from the FIG Working Week in Rome were as follows:

1 x 300 EUR

Lugard Idoghomwenyi Edegbe, Nigeria

3 x 200 EUR

Fesowola Akintoye, Nigeria

Jacob odeh Ehiorobo, Nigeria

John Hohol, United States

1 x 150 EUR

Chime Ugochukwu, Nigeria

4 x 100 EUR

Stig Enemark, (Hon Pres), Denmark

Kate Fairlie, Australia

Robert Foster (Hon. Pres.), United States

Jerome (Jerry) Ives (Hon. Memb.), United States

Smaller amounts received (21 donations) were from:

Thomas Dabiri

Vincent Nwokoro. Nwafor Ezeani

Olajugba Oluropo

David Oluwamotemi

Helge Onsrud (Hon. Memb.)

Sani Nuhu

Juha Talvitie

Ibrahim Usman Jibril

Stephen Djaba

Henning Elmstroem

Louisa Jansen

Jürg Kaufmann (Hon. Memb.)

Christiaan Lemmen

Paul van der Molen (Hon. Memb.)

Dorine Burmanje

Julius Marete

Andrew Mangua

Leonie Newnham

Robert Sinkner

Leiv Bjarte Mjøs
Gertrude Nnanjar Njar

6. Grants 2013

The FIG Foundation research grants were announced for the second time and decision is to be made in 2013.

The PhD grant was postponed.

It was decided to support Young Surveyors with a number of grants for FIG Working Week in Abuja, with focus on African Young Surveyors.

7. Accounts 2012

The income statement for 2012 and the balance sheet at 31 December 2012 are attached to this report.

The total income in 2012 was € 31,292.00 and expenses € 26,417.00 which gives the net result of € 4,875.00.

The total assets are € 216,191.00.

The FIG Foundation would like to sincerely thank all those who have generously donated in 2012 in support of the FIG Foundation.

John Hohol

President of the FIG Foundation
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