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## FIG Newsletter – April 2017

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the April issue of FIG Newsletter. In this issue please find the invitation to FIG General Assembly on 29 May and 2 June that has also been sent to all members by email. An invitation has also been sent by letter to all members. We are now only one month from the opening of FIG Working Week, and already 1300 participants from 95 countries will join us – will you also join us in Helsinki, Finland? In this issue you can also read a report from the World Bank meeting that took place 19-24 March.

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### Welcome to new FIG Corporate Member

It is with pleasure that we can introduce the following new corporate member in the category C – Silver Level..



Topcon Europe Positioning b.v.

<http://www.topconpositioning.com>

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### FIG GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2017

#### FIG General Assembly 2017 - Agenda and invitation



The agenda for the FIG General Assembly is now available. An invitation for the General Assembly has been sent to all members of FIG by email and by post. Please note that this year, only the invitation has been sent by post

Agenda - Online:

[www.fig.net/organisation/general\\_assembly/agendas\\_and\\_minutes/2017/agenda.asp](http://www.fig.net/organisation/general_assembly/agendas_and_minutes/2017/agenda.asp)

Pdf:

[www.fig.net/organisation/general\\_assembly/agendas\\_and\\_minutes/2017/40th\\_FIG\\_GA\\_Agenda-2017-04-02.pdf](http://www.fig.net/organisation/general_assembly/agendas_and_minutes/2017/40th_FIG_GA_Agenda-2017-04-02.pdf)

More info: [www.fig.net/news/news\\_2017/04\\_general\\_assembly\\_agenda.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2017/04_general_assembly_agenda.asp)

## Article of the Month – April 2017

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 April 2017 is written by **John BROCK**, Australia: **HADRIAN'S WALL: Boundary Monument for the Northern Frontier of Roman Britannia!**

This paper will be presented at the FIG Working Week 2017 in Helsinki, Finland, 29 May – 2 June. John Brock makes his own offering to the discussion table about what served as the main reasons for the erection of such a notable memorial to the time of the renowned civilization during the second century.

[http://www.fig.net/resources/monthly\\_articles/2017/brock\\_april\\_2017.asp](http://www.fig.net/resources/monthly_articles/2017/brock_april_2017.asp)

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## FIG WORKING WEEK 2017 – HELSINKI, FINLAND – SHALL WE MEET IN ONE MONTH



Have you registered for FIG Working Week 2017 that will take place in Helsinki, Finland **29 May – 2 June 2017** at Messukeskus Expo and Convention Centre?



Messukeskus – the conference venue

### Technical Programme

The Working Week 2017 offers a variety of sessions within the many areas of surveying. The programme is packed with presentations, discussion sessions and inspirational sessions filled with both practical and theoretical knowledge and information that can be beneficial for you in your daily life when you return from the Working Week.

Have a look at what is awaiting you:

[http://www.fig.net/fig2017/technical\\_program.htm](http://www.fig.net/fig2017/technical_program.htm)



### Free Transportation Card

With our partners City of Helsinki and Helsinki Region Transport we will offer free public transport cards to conference delegates, their partners, exhibitors and sponsors. The card is valid from Sunday (May 28) till Saturday (June 3) in the Helsinki Region i.e. the city of Helsinki, Espoo, Vantaa, Kauniainen. - Get your travel card at the on site registration together with your badge and bag.

<http://www.fig.net/fig2017/transport.htm>

### Get acquainted with Helsinki

Check the map of Helsinki: [www.fig.net/fig2017/map.htm](http://www.fig.net/fig2017/map.htm)

### Exhibition and sponsorship possibilities

The exhibition is a unique opportunity for you to expose your brand and company to the 1300 registered participants for the Working Week coming from 95 countries. 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>

### Dinners – your networking opportunity

The technical programme of the Working Week is of course the most important part of the Working Week. However, do not miss the social activities and networking opportunities. This is also important!

At the **Finnish Evening** a buffet dinner consisting of Finnish specialities is served accompanied by modern Finnish entertainment.

The **Gala Dinner** will be held in one of the most famous buildings in Finland and the venue of the 1990 FIG Congress, the Finlandia Hall. It is a masterpiece of Finnish architect, created by the world-renowned Finnish architect, Alvar Aalto. A splendid three-course meal will be served.

Although you have already registered, you can still **add tours and dinners to your registration**. Check the link in your confirmation letter.

When you register for the Working Week you can also include tours and dinners. To register: <http://www.fig.net/fig2017/registration.htm>

### Sub-events

On Sunday 28 May conference days you have the opportunity to choose between three different pre-events:

**BIM for Surveyors:** <http://www.fig.net/fig2017/bim.htm>

**History Symposium – Surveyors of the North:** <http://www.fig.net/fig2017/history.htm>

**FIG Young Surveyors European Meeting:** <http://www.fig.net/fig2017/youngsurveyors.htm>

### Do not miss...

The special **Charity Run:** <http://www.fig.net/fig2017/charityrun.htm> as well as the technical and social tours.

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

### We thank our sponsors and partners:



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## NEWS

### World Bank Land conference: Responsible Land governance, Towards an Evidence Based Approach



President Chryssy Potsiou and Vice President Diane Dumashie attended the World Bank lands conference with a busy schedule of meetings with key stakeholders, FIG members and also sharing time and deliberations with FIG commission chairs from Commissions 8 and 9.

[www.fig.net/news/news\\_2017/04\\_world\\_bank\\_conference.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2017/04_world_bank_conference.asp)

## PUBLICATIONS

### FIG Publication on STDM now available in 4 languages – English, French, Arabic and Japanese



[http://www.fig.net/news/news\\_2017/04\\_pub52\\_4languages.asp](http://www.fig.net/news/news_2017/04_pub52_4languages.asp)

## SURVEYS - GIVE US YOUR INPUT...

### Attention Women in Surveying and Spatial!

The International Federation of Surveying Working Group 1 are gathering data about the participation of women in the surveying industry. We are asking the question : 'Are women underrepresented in the surveying industry? '

As a woman working in the area of Surveying or Spatial please contribute to our study by completing this short survey. There are 24 questions and the survey will only take 5 minutes to complete.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FIG\\_Women\\_in\\_surveying](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FIG_Women_in_surveying)

## EVENTS

### 6-8 May 2017, Cairo, Egypt

10th Mobile Mapping Technology Conference (MMT'2017)

Web site: <http://www.mmt2017.aast.edu/>

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

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*FIG Working Week and General Assembly.*

Web site: [www.fig.net/fig2017](http://www.fig.net/fig2017)

**8-9 June 2017, Skopje, Macedonia, FYR**

10 th Regional Conference on Cadastre and SDI, Organised by Agency for Real Estate Cadastre, Macedonia, FYR.

**8-11 July 2017, San Diego, CA, USA**

ESRI 2017 Imaging & Mapping Forum - Empowering 3D GIS with Remotely Sensed Content.

Web site: <http://www.esri.com/events/imaging-and-mapping/>

**10-14 July 2017, San Diego, CA, USA**

ESRI User Conference 2017

Web site: <http://www.esri.com/events/user-conference>

**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>

**10-11 August 2017, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**

Sustainable Development Goals: a time for innovations and investment in land administration and management organised by The Institution of Surveyors of Tanzania (IST), The Tanzanian Institution of Valuers & Estate Surveyors (TIVEA) in collaboration with The Commonwealth Association of Surveying & Land Economy (CASLE)

[http://www.fig.net/events/2017/2017\\_CASLE\\_Conference\\_Tanzania.pdf](http://www.fig.net/events/2017/2017_CASLE_Conference_Tanzania.pdf)

**14-16 September 2017, Bucharest, Romania**

GeoPreVi 2017. Scientific event of the Faculty of Geodesy - Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest organised this year in partnership with Romanian Surveyors Union, Romanian Association of Private Surveyors, FIG Commissions 7, 8 and 9 and National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration.

Web site: [www.geoprevi.ro](http://www.geoprevi.ro)

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

*InterGeo* Organised by DVW

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

**5-6 October 2017, Hanoi, Vietnam**

International Conference on Geo-Spatial Technologies and Earth Resources GETR-2017, organised by Hanoi University of Mining and Geology (HUMG) and VGCR (co-organiser of FIG Working Week 2019).

Web site: <http://ism2017.humg.edu.vn/>

**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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Remember that you can follow FIG on the social media.

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Kind regards,

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### FIG WORKING WEEK 2017



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