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To : Delegates, Correspondents and Friends of FIG-Commission 7
cc : FIG Office Copenhagen
From : Paul van der Molen, Chair
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Dear Friends,

We send you our sincere greetings and trust you all are well.

1. Annual Meeting 2002

The CD-ROM including the Powerpoint presentations of the annual meeting in Pretoria has been sent to all participants. If anyone of the addressees of this newsletter would like to have a copy, please feel free to send an e-mail to pauline.vaneland@kadaster.nl.

2. Symposium on Land Redistribution

Most of the presented papers are available at <http://www.oicrf.org/> Please use the keyword 'Pretoria'. The intention was to publish a booklet, but we did not succeed. A CD-ROM inclusive all papers and PP-presentations will be sent to all participants of the Symposium. If anyone of the other addressees of this newsletter is interested: an e-mail to Pauline will do.

3. FIG Working Week Paris 2003

The FIG Working Week 2003 in Paris was a great success. Commission 7 co-ordinated 7 sessions which included 30 presented papers and 17 poster-papers. The subjects were Best Practices (regional perspectives), Best Practices (technical perspectives), Organisational Streamlining, Standards and Interoperability, Urbanization and Informal Settlements, 3D Cadastres, and Marine Cadastres (with Commission 4). It was a great honour for Commission 7 to be invited to present a paper on 'Future Cadastres' at the first plenary session of the conference

http://www.fig.net/figtree/pub/fig_2003/PS_1/PS1_3_vanderMolen.pdf All papers are available at http://www.fig.net/figtree/pub/fig_2003/program.htm and <http://www.oicrf.org/> Please use the keywords 'working week paris'.

Monday evening April 14 we held a Commission 7 meeting, with 22 participants. *The minutes are attached to this newsletter*

No need to say that the Commission 7 dinner on Wednesday April 16 was enjoyable as always.

4. Annual Meeting Commission 7 in 2003

The official invitation for the annual meeting 2003 in Krakow will be sent to all delegates, correspondents and friends of the Commission this week. The package fee is 800 euro, which is really cheap for a 6 days event. The package fee includes the registration fee of the 2nd Cadastral Congress, organised by the Association of Polish Surveyors (which is 250-390 euro!).

Part of this Congress are two sessions on Advanced Technology, organised by Working Group 7.3 (chair dr. Winfried Hawerk).

I hope to welcome many participants!

5. 2nd Cadastral Congress Krakow Poland

Addressees of this newsletter who are not interested in the annual meeting of Commission 7, but would like to participate in the 2nd Cadastral Congress in Krakow (Poland) are invited to read the attachment to this newsletter.

6. WPLA + Commission 3 + Commission 7 in Athens May 2003

The UN/ECE/Working Party on Land Administration organises a meeting in Athens (Greece), 2003 May 28-31, to discuss the updating of the UN Land Administration Guidelines 1996 (<http://www.unece.org/env/hs/wpla>). The title is 'Spatial Information management for sustainable real estate market- Best Practice Guidelines on Nation-side Land Administration'. This event is supported by Commission 7. We will have a presentation on institutional and financial aspects of land administration.

7. Symposium IT renewal May/June 2003

This symposium, organised under auspices of Working Group 7.3 (dr Winfried Hawerk), took place on May 8 and 9, 2003 in Enschede, at the International Institute for Geoinformation Sciences and Earth Observation ITC in Enschede (NL). All papers are available at <http://www.oicrf.org/>. Please use keyword 'IT renewal enschede'. Participants received a CD-ROM. If anyone else would like to receive this CD-ROM, please contact Pauline.

8. Permanent Committee for the Cadastre in the EU (PCC)

The PCC requested to publish some Commission 7 papers from Paris (FIG Working Week 2003) at their new website <http://www.eurocadastre.org/> The FIG Office Copenhagen asked the authors for an approval (copyright).

9. Centre of Excellence for Real Property Rights and Land Markets Budapest

As Commission chair I agreed to be a member of the Advisory Committee of this new centre. The name is changed into **Central-European Land Knowledge Centre (CELK Centre)**. CELK is financed by the Worldbank and the Hungarian Government. The Centre opened a website <http://www.celk.org/>

Monday June 16 the CELK-director Marianne Posfai organises a meeting of the Advisory Committee, to discuss a business- and financial plan. I intend to attend.

10. 7th South East Asian Survey Congress 2003

FIG Vice President T.N. Wong invites us to participate in the 7th South East Asia Survey Congress 2003, which takes place in Hong Kong November 3-7. Please visit <http://www.seasc2003hk.org/>

11. FIG Regional Conference Morocco

The FIG Council asked Commission 7 to contribute to the FIG Regional Conference in Marrakech (Morocco), 2003 December 2-5 (Mind: In the previous newsletter we mentioned December 5-9. This was wrong). All information is available at <http://www.fig.net/figtree/morocco>

12. Call for articles for Hong Kong Journal of Geospatial Engineering

Our delegate Conrad Tang asked our co-operation in submitting articles for the Hong Kong Journal of Geo Spatial Engineering. In the meantime Conrad got some submissions. If you have any questions please refer to lstang@polyu.edu.hk

13. Report Commission 7 to General Assembly Paris

The Annual Report over 2002 of the Commission to the General Assembly is accepted by the Council and is available at <http://www.fig.net/>

14. Workshop Cadastral Domain Enschede (NL)

ESRI and ITC (Christiaan Lemmen, our vice chair administration and Pauline van Elsland) organised a workshop on 'cadastral domain' in Enschede (NL), March 17 and 18. The workshop was a great success, gathering some 30 experts in datamodelling. The papers and presentations are available at <http://www.oicrf.org>. Please use the keyword 'wcdm'. It is expected that the development of core cadastral domains will be a hot issue next years and can grow towards a de facto industrial standard for cadastral system development.

15. Marine Cadastres

The Joint Working Group of Commission 4 and 7 (Coastal Zone Management and Marine Cadastres) organises a workshop on the issue at the University of New Brunswick (Canada) from September 13-16. This workshop is highly recommended for Commission 7 people involved in the marine environment. Workshop information is available at http://www.fig.net/figtree/commission4/news/marine_cadastre_2003. The chair of the joint Working Group, Michael Sutherland, asks attention to the fact that also the New Brunswick Harvest Jazz and Blues Festival is going on that particular moment, so if you like both marine cadastres and jazz & blues, take your chance!

16. Cadastral Template

During the annual meeting 2002 in Pretoria we were informed by our Swiss delegate Daniel Steudler about the development of a so called Cadastral Template. This Template might replace the traditional country report, aiming at a possibility to easily compare cadastral systems all over the world. Greece, Germany, Zimbabwe, Norway, Sweden, Hungary and the Netherlands volunteered to fill out the Template. In the meantime Daniel got Templates from Australia, Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands. Now the rest! I ask the volunteers to give the Template attention. My own experience is that is is a very appropriate Template; I feel that Daniel is on the right track, and his work can become a standard! <http://www.swisstopo.ch/cadastraltemplate2003/> or get in touch with Daniel at steudler@sunrise.sli.unimelb.edu.au

17. Cadastre 2014

"Cadastre 2014" has been translated into Turkish by Prof. Dr. Tahsin Yomralioglu, Dr. Bayram Uzun and Dr. Osman Demir who are in Land Management Division of Department of Geodesy at Karadeniz Technical University, Trabzon, Turkey. The document is published and distributed by the Turkish Chamber of Surveying Engineers, and presented in IVth General Assembly of Surveying Engineers. Copies are available at <http://www.gislab.ktu.edu.tr/>

18. Inspire

Our attention was asked for the development in the EU of common standards. Cadastral data are included. For more information see <http://inspire.jrc.it/>. Also a workshop is planned called 'EuroSpecs', see <http://www.eurogeographics.org/projects/projectsindexlevel1.htm>

19. Congress in Peru

The FIG Office in Copenhagen asks out attention for a congress in Peru, 2003 November 3-6 (Lima). This congress, called the First Spanish-American Registration Congress will deal with property registration, territory, economic development and new technologies. If anyone is interested to attend, please contact rcardenas@sunarp.gob.pe. If you attend, please inform us as well.

WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AND MAYBE WE WILL MEET IN KRAKOW!

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