

Taking Action to Transform Our World into a More Sustainable Environment

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SUMMARY

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development provides us the road towards a sustainable world. We are now in the decade of action. There is a sense of urgency. We are the generation to end extreme poverty and to address climate change, injustice and gender inequality. We all have to take action, individually, collectively, locally and globally.

Also FIG has a responsibility towards the SDGs. At the General Assembly, during the FIG Working Week in Hanoi, the council established the Task Force on FIG and the Sustainable Development Goals. The developments in the past years related to health, climate change, conflict, migration show the need to transform our world into a more sustainable environment. The pressure on land and sea is urgent and requires faster and at the same time sustainable solutions by national and local governments and for citizens and society.

The global sense of urgency and the pressure on land have showed an increase of the relevance of surveying and geo-information towards the achievement of the SDG's. Providing leadership as FIG, as professional and as a citizen on the SDGs will be of great added value.

This session sets the scene how you can actively contribute to volunteering for the future for our profession, society and our planet at the same time.

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