FIG represents the interests of surveyors worldwide.
Who is FIG?

- Established in 1878 in Paris by 7 national member associations (Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and UK)
- Federation of national associations and organisation
- Only international body representing all surveying disciplines
- UN-recognised Non-Governmental organisation (NGO) and non-profit organisation
Members

Over 115 countries represented in 2020 – more than 300,000 individuals

Membership categories:
- Member associations - 104 from 87 countries
- Affiliate members - 46 from 45 countries
- Academic members - 87 from 50 countries
- Corporate members - 22
- Correspondents - 4
- Honorary presidents - 8
- Honorary members - 29
- Honorary ambassadors - 2
Mission of FIG

To ensure that the disciplines of surveying and all who practice them meet the needs of the markets and communities that they serve.
Current FIG Council

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Council Work Plan

The FIG vision (2019-2022)

Surveying is a modern profession acting worldwide for a better infrastructure for our society and planet earth. FIG wants to keep, and even improve, its role as the premier non-governmental organisation that represents the interests of surveyors worldwide.

“Volunteering for the Future”
Commission 1:
Professional Practice
- International Ethics Standards (WG 1.1)
- Women in Surveying (WG 1.2)
- International Boundary Settlement and Demarcation (WG 1.3)

Commission 2:
Professional Education
- Developing academic networks for knowledge sharing (WG 1.1)
- Curriculum on the Move (WG 2.2)
- Learning styles in surveying education (Joint WG with YSN)

Commission 3:
Spatial Information Management
- Geospatial Information Infrastructure for Smart Cities (WG 3.1)
- Geospatial Big Data: collection, processing, and presentation (WG 3.2)
- User-Generated Spatial Content Empowering Communities (WG 3.3)
- 3D Cadastres (WG 3.4)
- GIS Tools for Spatial Planning (WG 3.5)
Commission 4:
Hydrography
  o Standards and Guidelines for Hydrography (WG 4.1)
  o Blue Growth & UN Sustainable Development Goal 14 (WG 4.2)
  o Mapping the Plastic (WG 4.3)
  o Marine Development and Administration (WG 4.4)

Commission 5:
Positioning and Measurement
  o Standards, Quality Assurance and Calibration (WG 5.1)
  o 3D Reference Frames (WG 5.2)
  o Vertical Reference Frames (WG 5.3)
  o GNSS (WG 5.4)
  o Multi-Sensor-Systems (WG 5.5)
  o Cost Effective Positioning (WG 5.6)

Commission 6:
Engineering Surveys
  o Deformation Monitoring and Analysis (WG 6.1)
  o Landslides Monitoring (WG 6.2)
  o UAV in Surveying (WG 6.3)
Commission 7:
Cadastre and Land Management
  o Cadastre Technologies and Smart City (WG 7.1)
  o Fit-for-purpose (FFP) implementation (WG 7.2)
  o Cadastral Template 2.0 and the SDGs (WG 7.3)
  o Urban Challenges (Joint WG)

Commission 8:
Spatial Planning and Development
  o Rural – urban dependency (WG 8.1)
  o GIS tools for spatial planning (WG 8.2)
  o Urban Challenges (Joint WG)
  o Land policy instruments for spatial development (WG 8.4)
  o African Water Governance (WG 8.5)
Commission 9:
Valuation and the Management of Real Estate
  o Manual and due diligence protocol for the ‘Valuation of Unregistered Lands and informal property’ (WG 1.1)
  o Blockchain (WG 1.2)
  o Urban Challenges (Joint WG)

Commission 10:
Construction Economics and Management
  o International Construction Measurement Standards (WG 10.1)
  o Digital Construction (WG 10.2)
  o Education and Research (WG 1.3)
Sister Organisations

Partners with Memorandum of Understanding

- International Association of Geodesy (IAG)
- International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
- International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS)
- Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Association (GSDI)
- International Society for Mine Surveying (ISM)
- International Federation of Hydrographic Societies (IFHS)
- International Real Estate Federation (FIABCI)
- Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH)
- International Research Council for Building Studies and Documentation (CIB)
- International Cost Engineering Council (ICEC)
- International Federation of Housing and Planning, IFHP
Working through

- Annual meetings as FIG Working Week
- Annual Commission events
- Special dedicated seminars and trainings as e.g. *Reference Frames in Practice*
- Publications
- Web page

- and of course; strong cooperation with partners as IAG, IHO, UN bodies etc.
PUBLICATIONS

No 37: FIG Guide on Development of a Vertical Reference Surface for Hydrography – Ruth Adams and Dr. Ahmed El-Rabbany

No 56: Hydrographic Surveys in Ports and Harbours


No 62: Ellipsoidal References Surveying for Hydrography – Jerry Mills and David Dodd

No 64: Reference Frames in Practice Manual – Graeme Blick
Some (already existing) areas for further cooperation, at least FIG – IAG – IHO

1. Mainly FIG Commission 4 and 5; *Hydrographic surveying* and *Positioning and Measurement*
2. Writing and updating of appropriate publications, as e.g. FIG publications
3. Global geodetic reference frames as ITRF
4. Modern surveying techniques as e.g. GNSS
5. Education, training & capacity building – joint training courses?
6. UNGGIM: Geospatial Societies, Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence, Working Groups and more– UN developing a Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC)
7. The International Board on Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors and Nautical Cartographers (IBSC).
THANK YOU