

**FIG (INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SURVEYORS)
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Introduction

FIG remains committed to active engagement in the work of TC211, which it sees as of great importance to FIG's members. This brief report outlines current FIG activity related to TC211 and standards in general. As usual in the four-yearly FIG cycle, the last few months (following the Congress in Washington DC in April 2002) have been a quieter period but work continues in a number of areas.

FIG Standards Network

The Network of representatives from each of FIG's Commissions continues its work. It is currently collating a summary of the work of the Commissions, and of FIG's Sister Societies, in and around standardisation. This summary, once completed, will be shared with relevant organisations and may, for instance, lead to an article in the ISO Bulletin.

Outreach

FIG fully supports the TC211 work on outreach and has appointed two members – Gerhard Joos and Iain Greenway – to the TC211 Outreach Group. Both are and intend to remain active members. FIG will continue to work with the Outreach Group to ascertain how FIG's meetings and publications can best be used to provide a channel for TC211 information.

Qualification and Certification of Personnel

FIG is preparing comments on the draft Technical Report 19122, and remains committed to participating in and assisting with planning a sectoral workshop on the issues raised in the Technical Report following its publication. FIG will hold its Annual Meeting in Paris in April 2003 and this might be a suitable venue and timing for such a meeting (as might the TC211 meeting in Switzerland in May 2003).

Terminology

The FIG Multi-Lingual Dictionary website and the ISO 19104 terminology repository now have mutual hotlinks, as agreed in communication between the two bodies. Further developments of the linkages will be discussed in due course.

Other areas

Current areas of active interest to FIG remain:

- International Valuation Standards
- Instrument standards (ISO TC172 SC6)
- TC211, particularly
 - Cadastre and standards (FIG Commission 7)
 - Certification of personnel
 - Geodetic codes and parameters (FIG Commission 5)

- Location based services (FIG Commission 3)
- Terminology
- Underpinning spatial data infrastructures (FIG Commission 3)
- Hydrographic standards
- Influencing the development of standards in the construction and spatial planning areas

FIG Publication 28 – FIG Guide on Standardisation – summarises a wide range of information relating to standards and standardisation. It is of use to all involved in the standardisation area and is available at www.fig.net, under ‘publications’.

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