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Report of the FIG Foundation 2002-2003

Administration

The FIG Foundation is located in the FIG office in Copenhagen.

The decisions of the Foundation are made by a Board of Directors chaired by the President of the FIG Foundation. In 2002 the Board of Directors was:

- Prof. Holger Magel, President of the FIG Foundation
- Prof. Stig Enemark, Director (Denmark)
- Iain Greenway, Director (Ireland)
- John Hohol, Director (USA)
- Prof. Ian Williamson, Director (Australia)

At the meeting of the Board of Directors in Washington, DC John Hohol was nominated as new President of the Foundation and Dr.-Ing. Ralf Schroth, Vice President of FIG (Germany) was nominated as new Director to replace President Magel in the Council from January 1, 2003. These appointments were confirmed by the FIG Council. The other Directors will remain the same. Dr. Schroth will also represent the FIG Council in the Foundation.

Further Mr. Jack Dangermond, President and Founder of ESRI, has been acting as an Honorary Chair of the Foundation Fundraising Campaign.

Activities in 2002

The work of the FIG Foundation was raised to a new level in conjunction to the FIG 2002 Congress in Washington, DC. The total amount of funds raised during the FIG Congress was US\$ 49,800.

The fundraising from the Congress consist of:

- donations through participating the Foundation Fundraising Dinner 51 delegates participated this first ever Dinner each paying US\$ 150 to the Foundation
- voluntary donations in conjunction to the registration. 5 delegates donated US\$ 100, 13 delegates US\$ 50 and 15 delegates US\$ 25
- bigger donations were further made by our corporate member Trimble Navigation Ltd., that gave US\$ 2,000 and John Hohol who has donated US\$ 1,000
- from the Congress registrations Congress Director Mary Clawson budgeted royalties of US\$ 5 for each delegate to the Foundation. The total amount from this donation is US\$ 12,425 which is equal to 2,485 delegates.

Special thanks belong to Jack Dangermond, President of ESRI, for his support to the Foundation including donation of US\$ 25,000 to the Foundation itself and for donating 25

software licences and training grants as FIG/ESRI Grants to universities and academic institutions (total value of US\$ 7,000,000). This donation was launched at the Congress but afterwards the final number of donated software packages has increased over 50.

Mr. Robert Foster, President of FIG 1999-2002, used the occasion of the FIG handover ceremony to donate US\$ 1,000 to the Foundation.

The Foundation has granted the donators the first FIG Foundation plaques in 2002 as follows: Jack Dangermond (platinum), Mary Clawson, Congress Director FIG 2002 (silver), Trimble Navigation Ltd. and John Hohol (bronze). Robert Foster will get his plaque at the FIG Foundation Dinner in Paris.

Grants 2002

The Board of Directors of the FIG Foundation decided on the first FIG Grants at its meeting 19 December 2002. A total of US\$ 13,000 was given to 12 applicants from 10 countries. The total number of applications was 20. The grants were given to the following applicants: Dr. Frances Plimmer (United Kingdom), Boipuso Nkwae (Canada/Botswana), Mabel Alvarez de Lopez (Argentina), Dra. Analía Argerich (Argentina), Dr. Ioan Stancu (Romania), PhD Hande Demirel (Turkey), Alick R. Mwanza (Zambia), Sara J. Wilkinson (United Kingdom), Dr. Sankaran Rajendran (India), Marie C. Robidoux (Canada), Dr. Galcano Canny Mulaku (Kenya) and Dr. Jinyun Guo (P. R. China).

The topics of their projects and researches were:

- Rural Sustainability: Putting the "country" back into UK town and planning.
- Cadastral Boundaries in Traditional Communities: A Case Study of Botswana's Tribal Areas
- Contribution from Lation America with FIG Cadastral Objectives
- Distance Professional Updating in Remote Sensing (Addressed to Professionals in Surveying)
- Contributions to Experts' Education in Cadastre and Environment Engineering
- Enhanced Teaching and Learning in Spatial Science
- White Collar Malpractices in Cadastral Surveying and their Effect on Secure Land Tenure and Sustainable Development
- Global Network for Female Surveyors
- Rapid Mapping of Mineral Soils, and Salts Stores Using IRS IC PAN Data and Digital Elevation Models.
- Geomatics and Traditional Knowledge Liidlii Ku'e First Nation
- Inventory and Analysis of Existing Data Sets and Systems for a Kenyan NSDI
- Refinement of Earth Gravity Field Model from CHAMP Track

The deadline for applications in 2003 is 15 March 2003 to allow the Board of Directors to make their decisions at the meeting of the Foundation in Paris.

Accounts 2002

The income of the FIG Foundation in 2002 include:

	Swiss francs
Personal donations (Dangermond, Trimble, Hohol, Foster etc.)	49,366
Royalties from FIG 2002 (USD 5 per delegate)	20,025
Foundation dinner	12,329
Bank Interest	885
Total Income	82,605
Grants	18,038
Various / Diverse	9,325
Total Expenditure	27,363
Total Result	55,242

The total assets of the Foundation 31^{st} December 2002 were cash at bank and in hand Swiss frs 123,820 including the grants that had not been paid out yet.

The full list of the names of the founding members of the FIG Foundation and other donators will be published in FIG Annual Review 2001-2002.

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John Hohol President of the FIG Foundation