Report to the 28th General Assembly FIG Working Week in Cairo, April 2005

Report from ACCO

The meeting of the Advisory Committee of Commission Officers (ACCO) took place together with the Chairs Elect from Athens on Saturday prior to this Working Week.

Main topics discussed at the meeting were:

- Final preparations of the arrangements for this Working Week and in particularly the open forum at the General Assembly and possible meetings with representatives of other international organisations.
- Reports of the Commission Chairs about
 - cross-commission activities
 - joint commission working groups
 - co-operation with other international organisations

This is, of course, one of the main goals for ACCO

- Task force that has been established by the Council to prepare any changes to the statutes and internal rules concerning the governance and the Commission structure of FIG
- Preparations of the work plans for the period 2006-2010. The last meeting for coordinating these work plans will be held in Copenhagen in summer 2006.
- Surveyors Reference Library. We had long discussion on this item with the result that some preconditions have to be full-filled in general for the future for presenting a paper and then it automatically goes into the this library.
- Preparing future events
 - Regional Conference in Havana, Cuba, 26-29 September 2005
 - Regional Conference Accra, Ghana, 8-11 March 2006
 - FIG Congress in Munich, Germany, 8-13 October 2006
 - Future regional conferences

Conclusions:

Times are not easy for the current chairs and it is partly because of a heavy workload to be achieved in particular concerning the additional activities around the regional conferences. So great thanks from you all are appropriate to all chairs for their service at the various activities of FIG during the last years. But they cannot do their work alone. What we need is participation and contribution of national delegates. For some commissions this is a really hot and essential topic and I therefore encourage you all to support the commissions by appointing delegates and supporting them to attend and actively participate in the Commissions events and activities.

Dr. Andreas Drees FIG Vice President and Chair of ACCO