

Summary of the bids for 2019 – Ireland, Dublin, Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland/RICS

The following clarification is based on information given in the bid documents. Below is a summarized comparison from given bids. All variables were submitted in the original bid for proposals. This document is a summary of each country's bid and is meant to be a fact based document.

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1. Rotation of the conference: Previous and planned conferences:	Europe (2017, 2015, 2012, 2008) Congresses: 2014: Asia and the Pacific (Malaysia); 2010: Asia and the Pacific (Australia); 2006: Europe (Germany), 2002: North America (USA); 1998: Europe (United Kingdom); 1994: Asia and the Pacific (Australia) Working Weeks: 2017: Europe (Finland) 2016: Asia and the Pacific (New Zealand); 2015: Europe (Bulgaria); 2013: Africa (Nigeria); 2012: Europe (Italy); 2011: Africa/Arab countries (Morocco); 2009: Asia/Middle East (Israel); 2008: Europe (Sweden); 2007: Asia (Hong Kong SAR, China); 2005 Africa/Arab countries (Egypt); 2004: Europe (Greece); 2003: Europe (France); 2001: Asia (Republic of Korea); 2000. Europe: Czech Republic.
2. Country hosting of earlier FIG events and general experience	There has not been a FIG Conference or General Assembly in Ireland in the past. The last FIG Conference in UK was the Congress 1998 in Brighton. Forbes 2011 named Ireland as the best country in Europe in which to do business.
3. Member association Its activeness, Commitment to FIG and to FIG 2019 Execution ability for local association	SCSi resigned from FIG in 2012 due to a merger with RICS and is today represented through RICS. SCSi is supported by RICS. Over 5,500 members Member not in arrears.
4. Supporting organisations Local support to the Working Week Governmental support Financial support General support	This bid is supported by the Department of the Taoiseach, Fáilte Ireland (the National Tourism Development Authority), the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Dublin Convention Bureau and the Irish industry suppliers, hereunder Commissioner of Valuation, Geological Survey of Ireland, Ordnance Survey of Ireland, RICS, Property Registration Authority. Fáilte Ireland, Ireland's National tourism Authority, will offer FIG Working Week financial support of €10 per international delegate for the first 999 delegates attending and €20 per international delegate for each delegate over 1000 pax.
5. Host city Characteristics and interest from congress programme point of view Host city attractiveness Host city offerings	Dublin is a unique capital that's steeped in tradition yet young at heart. In the historic, compact city centre there is lots to do and see, rich selection of galleries, national museums which have free entry, restaurants, pubs and shops, not to mention the traditionally warm welcome from Dubliners. Scoring high on essential criteria such as suitability, accessibility, facilities and service, Dublin delivers in its own inimitable way. Dublin Convention Bureau will support FIG through a number of direct services e.g. Discounted Dublin Pass – the official city sightseeing card, visitor maps, tourist information desk. Dublin city itself is small, compact and is easy to get around by foot. It also has a good transport system, which includes an urban rail system (DART), a stylish new tram network (LUAS) and an extensive city/countrywide national train and bus service. A universal public-transport access card is available allowing delegate's access to all parts of the city by bus, DART or Luas. Taxis are plentiful and reasonably priced by international standards. Examples of Destination Cost of Living <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee in a Typical Café: €2.50-€3.00 • 50cl bottle of mineral water: €1.20 • Sandwich: €3.50-€4.00 • Typical Meal Cost (including drink): €15-€20

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<p>6. Venue</p> <p>Price/affordability Location of venue Internet availability Suitability of rooms, size of venue, structure and layout of the venue Catering Value for money Hotels nearby Facilities for exhibition</p>	<p>The Convention Centre Dublin (CCD). Built 2010. The CCD has won 25 major industry awards since opening in September 2010. The venue is suitable for a FIG Working Week in both number and size of conference rooms</p> <p>6 Spacious foyer areas – with views of Dublin City, bay and mountains on upper foyer levels, New technology and wi-fi throughout</p> <p>Public Transportation to Convention Centre Bus: Typical bus journey from city centre to Convention Centre - 70c. LUAS: Typical LUAS Journey Zone 1 - €1.80 Integrated Ticket for bus, train & LUAS - €10.00 (includes €5 credit). Delegate discounts will be made available. Dublin City Bikes: 3 day ticket - €2.00 Taxi: Typical taxi fare from city centre to Convention Centre - €8.00</p>
<p>7. Accessibility</p> <p>Flight connections Several access possibilities Security Visa issues Air fare to destination</p>	<p>Ireland, located on the edge of Europe, is less than an hour from London, less than two hours from Paris or Brussels and five hours from the east coast of the US by air. Dublin airport is the 11th largest in Europe in terms of international traffic, which has more than 175 destinations served by 57 scheduled airlines. A new terminal opened in 2010, increased its capacity to well over 30 million passengers a year. Dublin Airport is located 12km north of Dublin city centre. Dublin Port Tunnel cuts journey time from the airport to the city centre, to 12-15 minutes. Taxis are readily available for hire outside the airport (a taxi journey into the city centre from the airport should cost approximately €25). Visa applications are on-line using the AVATS on-line facility. Citizens of certain countries require a visa to travel to Ireland. Applicants should note that all non-EU citizens, whether a visa is required or not, will be subject to ordinary immigration controls at the port of entry. Dublin Convention Bureau will work closely with FIG, the local organising committee and the Department of Foreign Affairs to ensure that Visa applications are processed efficiently. Visas are not currently required by EU Nationals, EFTA Nationals or USA, Canadian or Australian nationals, visitors are required to have a valid passport. Information on nationalities requiring a VISA may be obtained from any Irish Embassy or Irish Tourist Office.</p>
<p>8. Safety and security</p> <p>Political stability Airport safety City safety – is it safe to move around? Political stability in country (rating must be 3 or higher)</p>	<p>Political stability in the country. The Republic of Ireland is a parliamentary representative democratic republic. The present government is a coalition of Fine Gael (a centre right to centrist party) and the Labour Party. The state operates under the Constitution of Ireland, which falls within the Liberal Democratic tradition. Diplomatic relations of Ireland are substantially influenced by its membership of the European Union, although bilateral relations with the US and the UK are also very important to Ireland. It is one of a group of smaller nations in the EU and has traditionally pursued a nonaligned foreign policy. Ireland tends towards independence in foreign policy, is not a member of NATO and has a long-standing policy on military neutrality. Ireland is consistently the most pro-European of EU member states, and is a founder member of the euro currency. Dublin is a safe and welcoming city.</p>
<p>Proposed dates</p> <p>Must meet FIG requirements Following FIG statutes Practical dates</p>	<p>29 April - 3 May 2019 17-24 May 2019 24-28 June 2019</p>

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Availability of venue Other conferences at same time	
9. Technical programme Coverage of all FIG Commissions, Potential partners Originality Special ideas	Nothing expressed in the bidding document.
10. Technical tours Coverage of all FIG Commissions Originality Ideas proposed	The Technical Tours will be organised to complement the FIG Working Week experience and will visit organisations and sites of particular interest to FIG delegates. Proposed tours: Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi) is the National Mapping Agency (NMA) of Ireland, Birr Castle Demesne houses an interactive science centre which reveals the wonders of early photography, engineering and astronomy, Brú na Bóinne is a World Heritage Site and is dominated by three well-known large passage tombs, Knowth, Newgrange and Dowth with an additional ninety monuments built some 5,000 years ago. The Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT) is one of Ireland's largest and most innovative university-level institutions and the new DIT City Centre Campus – Grangegorman – which will unify DIT's multiple city centre campuses is currently under construction and will ultimately house all 20,000 students and 2000 members of staff
11. Social programme Attractiveness and variety Proposals for dinners Attractiveness of offered dinners Proposals for tours Is the program following the overall FIG concept	A variety of proposals for the social programme that gives a broad insight in the Irish culture, both old and new. Venue options are among others the Old Jameson Distillery, Trinity College Dublin, founded in 1592, is the oldest university in Ireland, The Guinness Storehouse and Dublin Castle. A broad range of social tours are offered including walking tours in the old Dublin centre, Sight Jogging Tour of Dublin, The Rebellion Walking Tour and The award winning Dublin Walking Tour, Gaelic Games Experience, Dublin Tasting Trail, delegates visit a range of bakeries, food halls, street markets, cheesemongers, delicatessens and other speciality shops. Also a range of pre and post tours are offered, incl Golfing
12. Attendance Expectation of international, regional and local attendance Realistic number of international and national participants	800-1200 conference delegates
13. Accommodation Hotel costs Value for money Variation in hotel offers Closeness to proposed venue Transportation to venue	Dublin offers over 160 hotels with just over 18,000 beds, all approved by Fáilte Ireland – The National Tourism Development Authority. Hotels range in price from the luxury 5 star experience to more affordable budget accommodation. Visitors can choose either city-centre hotels within walking distance or hotels in the leafy suburbs of Dublin which can be easily accessed by bus, tram, train or taxi. Quite many hotels near the conference venue. Price range (single room) 5* 310-360 EUR 4* 175-240 EUR 3* 170-215 EUR 3* in city centre €100-€140 EUR
14. Finances Estimate of surplus and financial risks	The budget seems realistic. Balance based on 800 part: 38,152 EUR, 1000 part: 110,479, 1200 part: 182,806

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Realistic fees proposed Fees in an acceptable price range Difference between international and national fees Realistic budget Estimated revenue	Fees suggested: Early bird: 610 EUR, Normal: 710 EUR, Late: 770 EUR, Students: 225 EUR, Acc. pers: 165 EUR Dinner fees suggested: gala dinner: 120 EUR, Irish evening 95 EUR
15. Sponsorship Estimate sponsorship and exhibition income Proposed income How realistic is proposed income Local sponsor offerings Sponsor interest to conference	There is a realistic budget for sponsorship and exhibition income and a quite large local engagement is expected.
16. Why host Reason for hosting	Long and notable history of surveying and measurement from the carefully aligned network of hill-top monuments constructed over 5,000 years ago, to the completion of the world's first large-scale national mapping in the mid nineteenth century and, in the last decade, the National Seabed Survey that ranks amongst the largest marine mapping programmes undertaken anywhere in the world. Meanwhile, Ireland has one of the most open economies in the world and most of the major international IT companies have established bases in Ireland. At the same time, young Irish graduates can be found bringing their skills and enthusiasm to all corners of the world and, in many cases, returning home enriched professionally and culturally by their time abroad.
17. Objectives and outcomes Thought through why conference should be held at destination Difference to other destinations Short term outcome Long term outcome	Ireland is at the forefront of innovation and technological advancement. The vision to host the FIG working week 2019 would enable SCSi to maximise the opportunity to go Beyond Borders – geographically, economically and professionally.
18. Suggested theme Thought of possible theme that fits to local/regional situation	'Beyond Borders' reflects an aspiration towards a more inclusive surveying world. - politically - socially - scientifically There is a proposed logo
19. Events organized in the past three years How experienced is the host in organising events	SCSi has co-ordinated the annual national and regional events for many years, incl Annual Dinner which was attended by in excess of 1200 in February this year; the Annual Conference which was attended by c. 500 delegates in October of this year as well as many other regional forums and events. SCSi has held events in many of the city's top venues, including the Dublin Convention Centre. The SCSi is a member of CEPI – the European Council of Real Estate Professions – SCSi is hosting its annual general assembly in Dublin, for which we have organised interpretative facilities and social activities, as well as hosting CEPI's working schedule. Events organisation in the society is a key element of our operations and is managed by the Innovation and Business Development Department.
20. Major event planned in the proposed city in 2017 Many events might affect the price level	Nothing expressed in the bidding document.
21. Initiatives for sustainable conference	Convention Centre Dublin was the world's first carbon neutral convention centre. CCD has developed an environmental management policy to positively impact on

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environment Is host city paying attention to environmental issues Is venue paying attention to environmental issues Is host paying attention to environmental issues	local, national and global environmental issues and is specifically working on a positive development on the environment such as minimizing waste, Ensuring that any paper and timber we use is obtained from sustainable forests and conserve energy as well as select renewable sources of energy and materials where possible. the local Destination Management Company (DMC) are currently in the process of seeking accreditation under the ISO 20121: Events Sustainability Management Systems. This is testament to Event Partners’ environmentally friendly and sustainable approach in the services they provide to conferences as well as internally amongst their own staff. FIG delegates are encouraged to think in terms of their carbon footprint when organising travel to the conference including offering carbon offsetting and promoting the use of public transport throughout the event. Dublin is a compact, easily walkable city with the area around the CCD served by coastal train (DART), Dublin Bus and a light rail network (LUAS). Special CSR initiatives such as “Plant a tree for Life” and “build a bike for an Irish Charity.
22. New initiatives or activities Originality – but within the overall FIG concept	Intergenerational initiatives Marine sector
23. What legacy to leave locally from the Working week With host Hosting city For the surveying community	Nothing expressed in the bidding document.
VALUATION	
Issues supporting destination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ireland is active within FIG and has participated actively in earlier events and know the FIG Conference Concept - There has not been a FIG event in Ireland in the past - Proposed venue will work well for FIG purposes - Safe destination - Budget is realistic and surplus is estimated
Issues against destination -	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Price level on hotels around the conference venue is expensive - Conference fee is high compared to previous events