

Dear FIG Commission 9 representatives,

the period 2007-2010 on the present FIG Commission 9 is ending and the new Commission with a new chair, Dr. Frances Plimmer will continue the work. The past period has been very successful thanks to your active participation to the conferences, seminars and to the other activities in the Commission's work. In addition to tens of presentations, might even be 100, and articles we have produced three FIG publications:

- **No. 44** [Improving Slum Conditions through Innovative Financing. FIG/UN-HABITAT Seminar, Stockholm, Sweden, 16–17 June 2008. Summary Report.](#) FIG Report, 2008. ISBN 978-87-90907-70-9.
- **No. 52** [The Social Tenure Domain Model - A Pro-Poor Land Tool.](#) FIG Report, 2010. ISBN 978-87-90907-83-9.
- **No. 54** [Compulsory Purchase and Compensation - Recommendations for Good Practice.](#) FIG Policy Statement, 2010. ISBN 978-87-90907-89-1.

In addition we published the papers of the FIG Helsinki seminar, September 6-9, 2007, mainly in three publications:

- Land Reform, Vol.1 no. 1 of 2008, FAO, <ftp://ftp.fao.org/docrep/fao/011/i0470t/i0470t.pdf>
- Nordic Journal of Surveying and Real Estate Research, Special Series volume 3, 2008; Compulsory Purchase and Compensation in Land Acquisition and Takings, <http://ojs.tsv.fi/index.php/njs/issue/view/465>
- Viitanen, K., Kakulu, I. (Eds.) (2008) Compulsory purchase and compensation in land acquisition and takings. Espoo. Publication B123 in Real Estate Studies and Economic Law, Helsinki University of Technology TKK, Department of Surveying, 195 p.

The presentations in the Helsinki seminar can still today be found from the website <http://www.tkk.fi/Yksikot/Kiinteisto/FIG/programme.htm>.

I hope you will take actively part in the activities of our Commission in the future too. Also I would like to thank the FIG administration who has made a wonderful work to help everything go smoothly.

I wish you all Happy New Year and all the best in coming years!

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