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# Newsletter

## FIG Commission 9 (Valuation and the Management of Real Estate)

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*Dear Delegates of the Commission 9 and dear Friends of Commission 9,*

*this is the second Comm. 9 newsletter since the last eWorking Week in June 2021. A few weeks before the year 2021 comes to an end we would like to get you in the mood for our activities in the coming year. Therefore we would like to inform and try to keep in touch with you.*

*There are three main points we would like to address:*

- 1. The virtual meeting of the members of Commission 9 on 24.09.2021**
- 2. The FIG Congresses and Working Weeks in the next years**
- 3. The Comm. 9 topics at the FIG Congress in Warsaw from 11-15 September 2022.**

*The real estate market is one of the most important markets in the countries' economies. Making good housing and agricultural land usable and ownership transparent is an important aspect of good living and working conditions. Let us work together on the issues that are important for our society and our profession.*

***Best Regards, keep healthy and have a wonderful time in December***

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***Ben Elder, Chair***

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***Peter Ache, Chair elect***

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### **Virtual meeting of Commission 9 Delegates**

Unfortunately, this is a very short report. Despite the fact that we have more than 50 delegates from countries all over the world in FIG Commission 9, the attendance at our meeting was very poor. It would have been very interesting to discuss with you all about the past eWorking Week and especially about the topic "Transparency of real estate markets" which should be the overarching theme of the next period of the Commission 9.

You can download the [script of the meeting as a pdf-file](#) .

Nevertheless, we should meet virtually in the first quarter of the new year 2022 and exchange ideas. We will send you an invitation for a next meeting probably for February or March 2022.

If you have any points for discussion, questions or criticism, please let us know and let's work together on our issues!

### **FIG Congresses and Working Weeks in the next years**

We all very much hope that the coming FIG Congress can again be associated with as many personal meetings as possible. Original, in 2018 the FIG General Assembly elected the host for FIG Congress to be SAGI to organise Congress 2022 in Cape Town South Africa. However, because of the current pandemic situation, the destination was moved to Warsaw, Poland hosted by the Polish Association of Surveyors, SGP, who took up the challenge to organise this Congress within one year. The current state of planning for the upcoming FIG Congresses and Working Weeks is:

- 2023 Working Week in Orlando, USA
- 2024 Congress in Ghana
- 2025 Working Week in Brisbane, Australia
- 2026 Congress in Cape Town, South Africa

### **Warsaw, Poland from 11 - 15 September 2022 – Call for papers is out!**

The call for papers for the Congress in Warsaw is already open. The main topic is "Volunteering for the future - Geospatial excellence for a better living".

You can find all the information here:

<https://www.fig.net/fig2022/call.htm>

You will find the Topics of all Commissions by scrolling down the website a little.

**The deadline for submission of abstract is for non-peer review papers until 31 January 2022 and for the submission of full paper and abstract for peer review papers is 2 January 2022.**

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**The Topics of the Commission 9** “Valuation and the Management of Real Estate” are around

1. Transparency on Real Estate markets: What are the main requirements in a today´s world?
2. Effects of Real estate markets due to Corona Pandemic
3. Housing markets: Transparency and affordability
4. Real estate market data as geospatial data for valuation and transparency

We would like to present a few questions that can be discussed under the agenda items of the Comm 9. We want to give you an impression and encourage you to enrich the sessions with your knowledge.

**1. Transparency on Real estate markets: What are the main requirements in a today´s world?**

- I. Is the idea of transparency in international organizations still up to date and is the market more global, more digital and faster than those ideas?
- II. What are the 5 (or 10 but not 100) key-features of transparency on residential property and agricultural land?
- III. What are the different roles of the state and politics in the countries?

**2. Effects of Real Estate Markets due to Corona Pandemic**

- I. Are the rural areas becoming more attractive due to corona-pandemic effects?
- II. What will happen in the inner cities after the corona pandemic?
- III. What will be the role of geodesists in the transformation of cities?
- IV. Does a bubble burst in your country?

**3. Housing markets: Transparency and affordability**

- I. What is going on with housing markets in the countries and why do prices rise and rise in some countries?
- II. Where are the prices are increasing, and why?
- III. How can land management and market monitoring help each other find better solutions for land development?

**4. Real estate market data as geospatial data for valuation and transparency**

- I. How can land management and market monitoring help each other to find better solutions for land?
- II. What exactly does “digitalization” mean in the context of market monitoring and land management?
- III. What will be the role of geodesists and valuation experts in the transformation of cities?

We will decide on the formats of the individual sessions once we have received the abstracts. But we want to discuss as much as possible. In view of the focus of the coming period with Peter as Chair of the Commission 9, we want to try to trigger the topic "transparency of the real estate market" already in Warsaw. But the topic of the influences of the Corona pandemic is also an important point and will interest many colleagues.

If you have any suggestions or ideas about special points to be discussed at the Congress, please contact us: We would be very pleased to hear from you!