



To: International Federation of Surveyors

Subject: NOMINATION LETTER;  
ELECTION OF FIG COMMISSION 9 CHAIR ELECT

Helsinki 17.11.2003

Dear President Magel,

Suomen Maanmittausinsinöörien Liitto ry., MIL has nominated Prof. Kauko Viitanen for the Chair Elect of the FIG Commission 9 for 2004–2006 and for the Chair of Commission 9 for 2006–2010.

Prof. Kauko Viitanen (1955) is Professor of Real Estate Economics and Valuation, and the Head of the Department of Surveying at the Helsinki University of Technology. He is a surveyor, M.Sc. 1978 (subject area Real Estate Valuation), Tech.Lic. (i.e. lower doctoral degree; subject area Real Estate Valuation) at the Helsinki University of Technology, and Ph.D. 2001 (subject area Real Estate Planning) at the Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Sweden. He has acted as a Cadastral Surveyor in the National Land Survey (1978-1986), Researcher in the Technical Research Centre of Finland (VTT), Laboratory of Urban Planning and Building Design (1986-1988), Property Valuer and Department Manager in Huoneistomarkkinointi Ltd. (1989-1991), and Associate Professor and Professor at the Helsinki University of Technology (1992-). Prof. Viitanen has a strong experience in many areas of surveying, both practical and theoretical, and from public and private sector. He has also been very active in many associations, e.g. at the moment he is the Chair of the Finnish Association for Real Estate Valuation, Chair of the Finnish Association for Authorised Real Estate Valuers (association which authorises valuers), and Chair of the Foundation for Promoting the Field of Surveying. His main area of expertise is real estate economics and valuation in which he has worked in many projects (even internationally). He has published several books and articles, and supervised many M.Sc. and Ph.D. theses.

Prof. Viitanen has been the Finnish representative in the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) in Commission 9, Valuation and Management of Real Estate from 1999. Since 2000 he has been the Head of the Joint Commission 2 and 9 Working Group, Working Group 9.1 titled "Education of Valuers". From 2002 he has been Vice Chair of Commission 9. He has taken part in the FIG Congresses, Working Weeks and symposia in Melbourne 1994, Seoul 2001, Delft 2001, Washington, DC 2002 and Paris 2003, presenting totally eight papers/reports.

Professor Kauko Viitanen is personally and professionally appropriate to lead FIG Commission 9. MIL gives full professional and financial support to Prof. Viitanen to lead the FIG Commission 9 if he will be appointed chair elect by the General Assembly.

Sincerely yours,



Sakari Viertiö

President

Suomen Maanmittausinsinöörien Liitto ry., MIL

## **Curriculum vitae, 11/2003**

### **Kauko Jussi VIITANEN (1955)**

Professor of Real Estate Economics and Valuation, Ph.D.

Full CV available at:

<http://www.hut.fi/Yksikot/Kiinteisto/henkilokunta/CVKaukoViitanen.11.2003.pdf>

### **Education**

Doctor of Philosophy, in the subject area of Real Estate Planning, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden, 2001.

Licentiate of Science in Technology (i.e. lower Doctoral Degree), Helsinki University of Technology (HUT), Department of Surveying, Institute of Real Estate Studies, 1988

Master of Science in Technology, Helsinki University of Technology, Department of Surveying, Institute of Real Estate Studies, 1978

### **Other training and competence**

Pedagogic programme for university teachers (YOOP), 15 credits, HUT, 2001-2002

Leader training, 2 credits, HUT and Johtamistaidon Opisto JTO, 1998-99

Licensed Real Estate Broker (LKV-tutkinto), 1983

### **Employment record**

Professor, Helsinki University of Technology, Department of Surveying (1998-)

Associate Professor of Land Management, HUT (1992-1998)

Department Manager, Huoneistomarkkinointi Oy, Department of Market Research and Information (1989-1991)

Property valuer, Huoneistomarkkinointi Oy, Department of Property Valuation (1989)

Researcher, Technical Research Centre of Finland, Laboratory of Urban Planning and Building Design (1986-1988)

Surveying Engineer (Cadastral Surveyor), The National Land Survey of Finland (NLS) 1978-1986)

### **Some other posts**

Member of the Board of the Helsinki University of Technology (2003-)

Head of the Department of Surveying, Helsinki University of Technology (2000-)

Vice Chair, the Graduate School in Real Estate and Facilities Management, KIITO, Helsinki University of Technology (2003-)

Evaluator of Study Programs in Engineering; Tallinn Technical University (Structural Design, Real Estate Administration), Estonian Agricultural University (Rural Buildings, Water Management), Member of the Evaluation Expert Team, November 10-16, 2003.

Finnish representative and chair of a working group in a EU COST project G9 "Modelling real property transactions" (2001-2005)

Expert Evaluator, Key Action "City of Tomorrow and Cultural Heritage", Bryssel, 2 x 1 weeks (2001)

Vice Chair, the Board of the Centre for Urban and Regional Studies (YTK) (2001-)

Member of the Committee of the Ministry of Education for Education in Building Sector (1998-2001)  
NorBalt Network on Land Management in Geodetic University Programmes: Improving geodetic education in Latvia (HUT representative)  
Deputy Head of the Department of Surveying, HUT (1999-2000)  
Head of the Institute of Real Estate Studies, Department of Surveying, HUT (1998-)  
Legal Adviser in the Cadastral Mapping and Land Registration Pilot Project in Cambodia, FM-International ltd FINNMAP (2 months, 1997)  
Member of the Study Loan Committee, HUT (1996–2000)  
Chairman in the Degree Programme Committee of Surveying, Department of Surveying, HUT (1993-2000)  
Guest researcher, Royal Institute of Technology, Real Estate and Construction Management, Real Estate Planning and Land Law (1,3 years 1994-97)  
In charge of the internal evaluation for the curriculum of Surveying at HUT in the project “Evaluation of the Degree Programmes of Surveying in Sweden and in Finland” (1996)  
Guest Teacher at Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm (2 months 1994)  
Member of the Education Team, Continuing Education for Surveyors from Estonia at HUT and NLS (27.-31.7.1992).

### **Some associations**

Finnish Association for Real Estate Valuation (Chairman 1999-, Member of the Board 1994-)  
Finnish Association for Authorised Real Estate Valuers (Chairman 1999-)  
Foundation for Promoting the Field of Surveying (Chairman 2001-, Member of the Board 1996-)  
Surveying Science of Finland, Editorial Board (Member 1994-2003)  
Finnish Association of Surveying Science (Member of the Board of Directors, 1993 – 96, Chairman, 1994-95)

### **Activities in FIG**

Finnish Association of Surveyors (Finnish representative in the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) in Commission 9, Valuation and Management of Real Estate, 1999-)  
International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) (Head of the Joint Commission 2 and 9 Working Group 9.1 titled “Education of valuers”, 2000-2006; vice chair of the Commission 9, 2002-)

### **Books, and publications in the web**

See list of publications and full CV at:  
<http://www.hut.fi/Yksikot/Kiinteisto/henkilokunta/CVKaukoViitanen.11.2003.pdf>

## **Papers presented in FIG Conferences**

- Education of Valuers - Visual Explorations in Real Estate Market with Neural Networks. FIG, Joint Commissions 2&9 WG/WG 9.1. The Congress of the International Federation of Surveyors, Paris, 13.-17.4.2003.
- Just Compensation in Expropriation. FIG Commission 9, Property Valuation and Management. The Congress of the International Federation of Surveyors, Washington, D.C., 22.-26.4.2002. Washington, D.C. 2002, International Federation of Surveyors FIG, 8 p. [<http://www.fig.net>, CD-ROM]
- 3x3D Property Ownership and Use - Registration of Apartments and Premises in Finland. FIG, Commission 9, Property Valuation and Management. The Congress of the International Federation of Surveyors, Washington, D.C., 22.-26.4.2002. Washington, D.C. 2002, International Federation of Surveyors FIG, 8 p. [<http://www.fig.net>, CD-ROM]
- Education of Valuers: Plans for the Coming Period - WorkingGroup Report. FIG, Commission 9, Property Valuation and Management. The Congress of the International Federation of Surveyors, Washington, D.C., 22.-26.4.2002. Washington, D.C. 2002, International Federation of Surveyors FIG, [<http://www.fig.net>, CD-ROM]
- 3D Property Ownership and 3D Land Use in Finland. In: van Oosterom, P.J.M., Stoter, J.E., Fendel, E.M., Registration of Properties in Strata, International workshop on "3D Cadastres". Fredriksberg 2001, International Federation of Surveyors, 91-97.
- The Finnish Urban Land Readjustment Procedure in an International Context. FIG Working Week 2001, Seoul Korea, 6.-11.5.2001. Seoul 2001, Korea Confederation of Surveyors
- Education of Valuers - Goals to be Reached in FIG. FIG Working Week 2001, Seoul Korea, 6.-11-5-2001. Seoul 2001, Korea Confederation of Surveyors.
- New Challenges to the Education of Surveyors in Finland. FIG XX Congress March 5 to 12 1994, Melbourne, Australia, Papers 2 Commission, Professional Education & Literature, p. 204.4/1 - 11.

## **Scientific Research and Supervising of Theses**

Have taken part in tens of research projects as a researcher, leader of a research group or a member of a management group. Active Ph.D. Students in supervision over ten at the moment. Supervised Doctoral Theses:

Hannu Peltomaa (2001) Decrease in value of real property due to expropriation enterprise and its compensability (In Finnish)

Tom Kauko (2002) Modelling the locational determinants of house prices: neural network and value tree approaches (at Utrecht University; second supervisor)

Juha Talvitie (2003) Information and Communication Technology: A New Aspect in Urban and Regional Planning (in Finnish)

Mika Törhönen (2003) Sustainable Land Tenure and Land Registration in Developing Countries

Ari Hiltunen (Dissertation 5.12.2003) About Price Formation of Housing Sites – An Analysis of Purchase Prices of Housing Sites in Some Regions in Finland (in Finnish)