



**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SURVEYORS  
 FIG 48th GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**Sunday 6 April 9:00 – 16:00 Mezzanine Room M3/M4 and  
 Thursday 10 April 9:00–12:00, in Plenary Room  
 at  
 Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre (BCEC), Australia**

**INTRODUCTION**

Welcome to this 48th FIG General Assembly which will take place in Brisbane, Australia.

**The programme** is as follows (time is shown in local time in Brisbane, Australia (Australian Eastern Standard Time AEST; UTC+10:00)):

<b>Sunday 6 April</b>	
9:00–16:00 AEST	General Assembly I
18:00-20:00	Welcome Reception
<b>Monday 7 April</b>	
7:45-8:45	Newcomers/Icebreaker session – TF Diversity
14:00-15:30	Diversity and Inclusion Task Force Sustaining GeoSpatial Innovation- The Hope of the Young Surveying Explorer
14:00-15:30	SDG Task Force - Private Sector contribution to the SDG's
14:00-15:30	FIG Standards Network Session
14:00-15:30	Climate Compass Task Force: Climate and sustainable development
16:00 – 17:30	Member Association Forum (incl Regional Bodies Forum)
<b>Tuesday 8 April</b>	
7:30 – 8:45	FIG Foundation Meeting (by invitation only)
11:30 – 13:00	SDG Task Force - Crucial Role of Governments to achieve SDGs
11:30 – 13:00	Climate compass Task Force: Climate and disaster
<b>13:00</b>	<b>Voting STARTS for Change of Statutes and Internal Rules, Commission Chairs elects, 1<sup>st</sup> round for Commission 3 Chair elect, and voting for destination for FIG Working Week 2029</b>
14:00-15:30	FIG Director General Forum
17:30 – 18:30	Annual Meetings of FIG Commissions
<b>Wednesday 9 April</b>	
7:30 – 8:45	Presidents meeting by invitation only
<b>09:00</b>	<b>Voting ENDS</b>
<b>11:00</b>	<b>Voting STARTS in case a second voting for the chair elect of FIG Commission 3 is needed</b>
11:30 – 13:00	SDG Task Force: The Nexus between SDG's and Professional Education in Geospatial World
11:30 – 13:00	Task Force on Diversion session

13:00 – 14:00	Legacy Project – Task Force Diversion and Inclusion + Task Force SDGs – Lunch session
14:00 – 15:30	Academic Forum
14:00 – 15:30	Regional Capacity Development meeting ARN – Africa Regional Network
16:00-17:30	FIG Corporate Members Meeting
<b>Thursday 10 April</b>	
<b>07:00 AM</b>	<b>Voting ENDS</b>
9:00-12:00	General Assembly II

- See the overall schedule of the Working Week and the overall technical programme here: <https://fig.net/fig2025/program.htm>
- Dive into the detailed technical programme: [https://fig.net/fig2025/technical\\_program.htm](https://fig.net/fig2025/technical_program.htm)
- Read more about the Working Week here: <https://fig.net/fig2025/index.htm>
- Go to the [online version of the agenda](#)

## ROLL CALL AND REGISTRATION FOR VOTING

All members are encouraged to participate in person in the General Assembly. This year the General Assembly will be an on-site event and will take place in Brisbane, Australia on 6 and 10 April 2025.

Each member must appoint in advance an official representative for voting. Voting will take place online. In the roll call document members with online official representative will be recorded. There will be onsite roll call and all members that are present will be recorded in the roll call document. If you vote without being present in Brisbane, please make sure that you read all the documentation carefully before casting your vote.

**Eligible to vote are member associations (MA) in good standing.** The official representative will be the person who will receive the emails with the link to voting and who will cast the vote on behalf of the association.

All member associations are asked to appoint their official delegate the latest on **23 March** 2025. This will be done through this google form:

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If you cannot access the google form, please contact FIG-Director Louise Friis-Hansen to receive the form directly (in .doc format) [LFH@fig.net](mailto:LFH@fig.net)

Please note that only *member associations* in good standing will be able to vote at the General Assembly. This means that the association does not have unpaid arrears from 2024 or earlier. FIG Office has sent out reminders to all members in arrears. If you are in doubt whether your association has unpaid, please contact FIG Office at [FIG@fig.net](mailto:FIG@fig.net). Payment of arrears must be received by bank transfer or credit card the latest on **4 April** 2025 in order to be included in the voting. Later payments will be considered as not received in due time. In case a bank transfer is not possible, as an exception and if agreed beforehand it will be possible to pay onsite, the latest on Monday 7 April 12:00 noon AEST. The name and delegate of the official representative must be shared beforehand to be included in the voting.

[Roll call](#)

## REGISTRATION

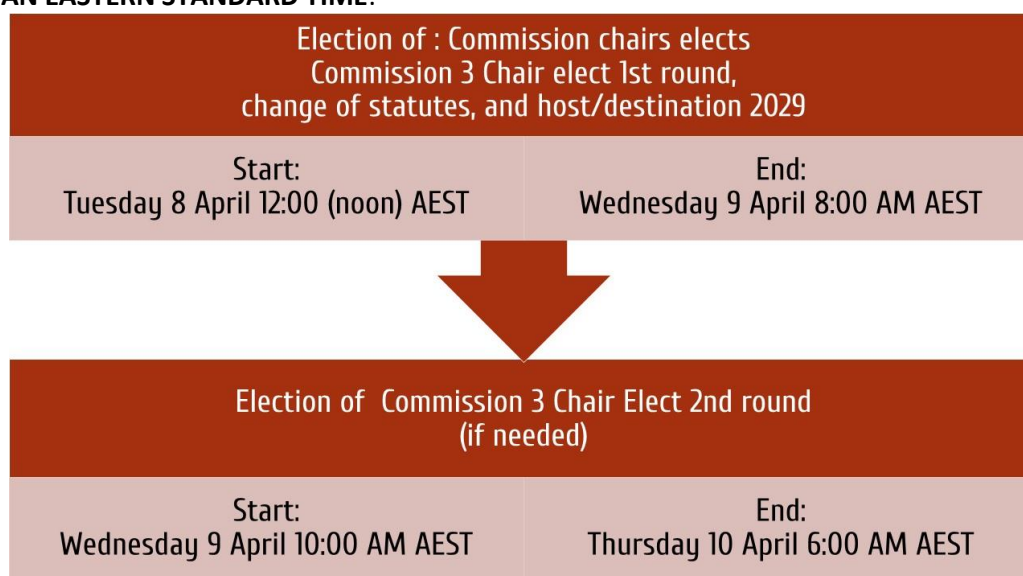
The General Assembly will take place in Brisbane, Australia, at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre (BCEC), Australia. We encourage you to attend in person. Register here for the full Working Week: <https://fig.net/fig2025/registration.htm>

## VOTING PROCEDURE AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA ITEMS

Since the General Assembly and Working Week will take place in Brisbane, Australia, all times mentioned are in Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) which is 10 hours ahead of Coordinated Universal Time (UTC). Adoption of agenda items will be done onsite among the onsite delegates.

***In this General Assembly agenda there will be election of change of statutes and internal rules, 10 Commission Chairs (please note that only for Commission 3 there are more than one candidate) and election of the host and destination for FIG Working Week 2029.***

This voting will start on Tuesday 8 April at 13:00 AEST. If a second round is needed for the commission 3 Chair Elect the election will end on Thursday 10 April 7:00AM AEST (please note this is still Wednesday 9 April in many parts of the world). If not, the voting will end on Wednesday 9 April 9:00 AM AEST. The voting rounds are shown in the below image, and please note the time is noted in local time for the Working Week, **AUSTRALIAN EASTERN STANDARD TIME:**



Voting will be online. Official delegates who attend onsite in Brisbane will also vote online. Please make sure that you have access to your email. When the voting starts an email is sent to the official delegate from SimplyVoting.com with instructions on how to logon. For those associations with more than one vote, separate emails for each vote will be sent. There will be given 20 hours for each voting round to cast your vote.

We will be using the online voting system Simply Voting (<https://www.simplyvoting.com/>) which is the same system we have used each year since 2021. In order to make sure that each member association can vote (due to the different time zones and possible unstable internet connections) we will give you sufficient time to cast your vote (20 hours per voting round). In case a delegate is not able to access the system the tellers can confidentially assist with the cast of vote. When the voting ends FIG Director and the appointed tellers will get a certified report from Simply Voting with the result.

All member associations are asked to appoint an official representative for the voting. Submission of the official representative must be done here:

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**Please note:** It is important that we get a valid email address for the official representative. The links to the voting sheets will be sent to the email address that you provide to us, and only to this one email address. You cannot enter more than one email address.

Members who have two or three votes will receive two or three emails – please note it is possible to vote separately in each of the voting sheets.

For members who do not attend the General Assembly, the presentation material will be made available when possible. We encourage you to read the material for the change of statutes and internal rules, nominations and bids carefully before you make your decision and cast your vote.

**Special information to member associations:** Please submit through this form the name and contact details of your **official delegate**. This is needed in order to vote. Deadline is 23 March 2025.

<https://forms.gle/5ciJ4DGVXTX93Vut6>

For the full Working Week programme check: <http://www.fig.net/fig2025/program.htm>

Go to the online version of the agenda:

[https://www.fig.net/organisation/general\\_assembly/agendas\\_and\\_minutes/2025/agenda.asp](https://www.fig.net/organisation/general_assembly/agendas_and_minutes/2025/agenda.asp)

## FIG 48th GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

for the meetings to be held on Sunday 6 April and Thursday 10 April 2025 at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre (BCEC) in Brisbane, Australia.

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# FIG GENERAL ASSEMBLY DAY 1

## 6 APRIL 2025

### AGENDA

#### 1. OPENING PROCEEDINGS

President Diane A Dumashie to open the 48<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Both official members and persons with an interest in FIG are encouraged to participate in the General Assembly.

The roll call will be done for member associations only.

Each member must appoint in advance an official representative for voting. Voting will take place online. In the roll call document members with online official representative will be recorded.

All member associations are asked to appoint their official delegate the latest on **23 March** 2025. This will be done through this google form:

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It is important that you register your official delegate for voting. This official delegate does not necessarily have to attend in Brisbane in order to vote. We do hope that you will send a representative to follow the General Assembly and the presentations of the nominated VP candidates, however, if not we encourage that you are reading the nominations carefully before you cast your vote. The recording of the first General Assembly Day incl presentation material will be posted soonest possible after the meeting but not before the first round of voting starts.

Please note that only *member associations* in good standing will be able to vote at the General Assembly. This means that the association does not have unpaid arrears from 2024 or earlier. FIG Office has sent out reminders to all members in arrears. If you are in doubt whether your association has unpaid arrears, please contact FIG Office at [FIG@fig.net](mailto:FIG@fig.net). Payment of arrears must be received the latest on **4 April** 2025 in order for the member association to register and to be included in the first voting on general matters. Later payments will be considered as not received in due time.

**Appendix to item 2 & 23: [Roll Call](#)** including information on member associations that are not allowed to vote at the General Assembly because of unpaid membership fees for 2024 and earlier.

**Motion:** That member associations that are present at the first General Assembly day are recorded in the minutes.

**Decision:**

### 3. APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

The General Assembly shall appoint two persons as tellers for the entire General Assembly. Since voting will take place online through a secure voting system, SimplyVoting, a certified report from SimplyVoting with the results will be published.

The voting sheet will be prepared by FIG Office and two appointed tellers will apart from FIG Director have access to the SimplyVoting system.

#### **Security, Reliability and Transparency of the Electronic Voting**

It is important to note that nobody within FIG including the two tellers will have access to details\* on *what* each delegate has voted. The voting itself runs fully automatic and is under the external control of *Simply Voting Inc., 5160 Decarie Boulevard Suite 502, Montreal, QC H3X 2H9, Canada.*

\*The voting system allows the tellers to see *who* has cast a vote and *when* this has been done, but they cannot see any details on *what* each delegate has voted, nor can they see any results until the voting is finalised and a report has been created by SimplyVoting. Once the voting is over the overall result will be published by the system.

FIG Council suggests to appoint per tradition two tellers from preceding, current or upcoming events:

- Samuel Larbi Darko, Co-Conference Director, FIG Working Week 2024
- Derek Clarke, Co-Conference Director FIG Congress 2026

**Motion:** That the General Assembly appoints the two tellers:

- Samuel Larbi Darko, Co-Conference Director, FIG Working Week 2024
- Derek Clarke, Co-Conference Director FIG Congress 2026

**Decision:**

### 4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The General Assembly was announced through the newsletter and on FIG website, and the full Agenda for the General Assembly was published in March on the web site and sent by email to all members.

**Motion:** That the agenda for 2025 will be adopted

**Decision:**

### 5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 47<sup>th</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The minutes from 2024 have been circulated previously.

**Appendix to item 5:**

The minutes of the General Assembly held in May 2023 are available on the FIG web site:  
[https://fig.net/organisation/general\\_assembly/agendas\\_and\\_minutes/2024/minutes.asp](https://fig.net/organisation/general_assembly/agendas_and_minutes/2024/minutes.asp)

**Motion:** That the minutes are adopted as recorded.



**Decision:**

## 6. MEMBERSHIP

### 6.1. Admittance of new Member Associations

FIG has received no new applications for membership since the 47<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly note that there are no new Member Associations to admit.

**Decision:**

### 6.2. Expulsion of member associations

The General Assembly has power to expel from the Federation any member association whose fees are in arrears and shall under normal circumstances expel any member association whose fees are three years in arrears. (Article 4.3 of the Statutes).

- Algeria: Ordre des Géomètres-Experts Fonciers, MA-10001
- Bahamas: Bahamas Association of Land Surveyors, MA-10006
- Sri Lanka: Institute of Surveyors Sri Lanka, MA-10079

The FIG office has sent information to these associations informing that if their membership fees are still in arrears at the time of the General Assembly the General Assembly shall expel the above member associations at its meeting on 6 April 2025 unless FIG Office receives payment from the associations.

Before expulsions, the number of FIG member associations is 103 from 85 countries.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes that at this General Assembly there are two members to expel, unless FIG office will receive payments by the start of the General Assembly.

- Algeria: Ordre des Géomètres-Experts Fonciers, MA-10001
- Bahamas: Bahamas Association of Land Surveyors, MA-10006
- Sri Lanka: Institute of Surveyors Sri Lanka, MA-10079

**Decision:**

### 6.3. Suspended status 2025

In accordance with its administrative measures, FIG Council, has deferred to continue for 2025 the issuance of a membership subscription invoice to the following members and FIG Council deems their membership to be in suspension:

- Palestine: Licensed Surveyors Association in Palestine; effort to maintain contact
- Russia: Noncommercial partnership "Self-regulated organisation of activity of cadastral engineers" MA-10121 (Danish banks do not accept payment from Russia)
- Syria: the Order of Syrian Engineers and Architects, OSEA as all efforts to maintain contact with them has not yielded results and will deem their membership in suspension giving due consideration to its internal situation.
- Ukraine: Ukrainian Society of Geodesy and Cartography MA-10088 (due to ongoing conflict)

The situation with these associations will be reconsidered by Council again in 2026.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the members in suspension.

**Decision:**

#### 6.4. Other membership issues

##### 6.4.1. Affiliate members

There has been one application for affiliate membership since the General Assembly 2024.

- Zanzibar Commission for Lands – AF-20079

One affiliate member has been expelled:

- Azerbaijan: State Committee on Property Issues of the Republic of Azerbaijan AF-20069

Two affiliate member has cancelled their membership:

- Hungary: FÖMI, AF 20009
- Iceland: Fasteignaskrá Íslands

After these changes the number of Affiliate members is 43 from 42 countries.

##### 6.4.2. Corporate members

FIG Council has admitted four applications for corporate membership:

- CHC Navigation for **Platinum Corporate membership of FIG Category A CM-30088**
- Global GIS PVT LTD, Sri Lanka CM-30089
- Alisteshaar Geospatial Consultancy, Saudi Arabia, Corporate member category F CM-30087

The following member has been expelled due to lack of payment of membership fee:

- DR Congo: Africa Mining Services AMSLOG, Category F, Regional level, CM-30078

After these changes, the number of corporate members is now 27.

##### 6.4.3. Academic members

FIG Council has admitted two new Academic members since the General Assembly 2024:

- Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina – UFSC, Brazil, AC-40165
- University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, Poland AC-40166

The payment structure of the Academic Members was changed in 2013 so that Academic Members would be invoiced every 4 years instead of every year. The four-year payment will reward the members with a 50% discount. Academic members were invoiced in 2014, 2018 and again in 2022.

The following Academic member has terminated its membership:

- Multinational: UNIGIS AC-40120

The number of Academic Members after these changes is 84 from 54 countries.

#### 6.4.4. Correspondents

The number of correspondent members are five. The current correspondents are coming from Maldives, Pakistan, Rwanda, Tonga and Venezuela.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the actions that the Council has taken with other membership matters.

**Decision:**

### 7. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY MEMBER

FIG office has received a letter from the Swedish Member Association, Swedish Professionals for the Built Environment with a proposal for nomination of Mr Mikael Lilje for Honorary member of FIG.

According to the Statutes paragraph 3.1.7 an individual who has materially assisted the development and promotion of the surveying profession at the international level can be appointed as an honorary member. Nomination for this appointment shall be made by a member association or the Council, which will consider it and submit it to a vote of the General Assembly.

The Council has considered the proposal and decided to propose to the General Assembly that it appoints Mr. Mikael Lilje as Honorary Member of the Federation for the outstanding services he has provided to the Federation over many years. Among other things Mr Mikael Lilje has served as Chair of FIG Commission 5 and two terms as Vice President of FIG.

**Appendix** to agenda item 7: The [nomination letter for Mr Mikael Lilje](#), Swedish Professionals for the Built Environment

**Motion:** That FIG General Assembly appoints Mr Mikael Lilje as Honorary Members of FIG.

**Decision:**

### 8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Diane A Dumashie has prepared the President's report on the activities of the Federation since the General Assembly in 2024 that was held in Accra, Ghana.

**Appendix** to item 8:

- Presidents report (hand out of presentation, to be added)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the President's report 2025.

**Decision:**

### 9. CO-OPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE WORLD BANK

FIG has continued to collaborate with the World Bank and various agencies and structures within the United Nations.

**Appendix** to agenda item 9-10: [Report on the FIG Cooperation with United Nations, World Bank and Professional Organisations.](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the report on the co-operation between FIG and the United Nations, its agencies and the World Bank and records its thanks to all those who have contributed to this co-operation

**Decision:**

## 10. LIAISON WITH INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

FIG continues work closely together with international professional organisations.

**Appendix** to agenda item 9-10: [Report on the FIG Cooperation with United Nations, World Bank and Professional Organisations.](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report on the liaison with other international associations.

**Decision:**

## 11. NEW PUBLICATIONS

Since the last General Assembly agenda in May 2024, FIG has published three new publications:

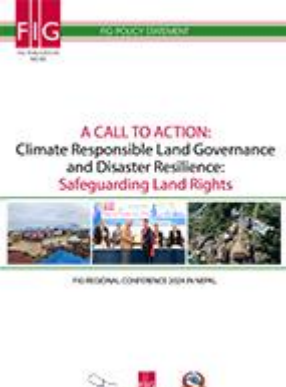

	<p>FIG Publication No 83: FIG POLICY STATEMENT <b>A CALL TO ACTION: Climate Responsible Land Governance and Disaster Resilience: Safeguarding Land Rights</b> FIG Regional Conference 2024 in Nepal Editors: Clarissa Augustinus, Ganesh Prasad Bhatta, Tina Baidar, Sanjeevan Shrestha Contributing Authors: Paula Dijkstra, Raja Ram Chhatkuli, Hellen Nyamweru-Ndungu Read the publication: <a href="https://www.fig.net/resources/publications/figpub/pub83/figpub83.asp">https://www.fig.net/resources/publications/figpub/pub83/figpub83.asp</a></p>
	<p>FIG Guide on LADM (in production)</p>
	<p>FIG Publication No. 64 2nd Edition: FIG GUIDE <b>Reference Frames in Practice Manual</b> Commission 5 Working Group 5.2 Reference Frames 2nd Edition Editors: Ryan Keenan and Graeme Blick <a href="https://fig.net/resources/publications/figpub/pub64_2ed/figpub64_2ed.asp">https://fig.net/resources/publications/figpub/pub64_2ed/figpub64_2ed.asp</a></p>

FIG Position papers:

- Commission 9: [Viewpoint on Transparency in Real Estate Markets](#)
- Commissions 2 and 7: [Teaching Essentials for Responsible Land Administration: Considerations for future education and training](#)
- A third paper from Commission 10 is on its way.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the new publications.

**Decision:**

## 12. FIG ACCOUNTS FOR 2024 AND AUDITOR'S REPORT AND BUDGETS 2025-2028

The financial report will be presented to the General Assembly. This report includes the auditor's report from 2024, official accounts (income statement 2024) and balance sheet at 31 December 2024, an updated budget for 2025 and proposals for budgets 2026-2028.

**Appendix** to item 12:

Appendix:

- [Report on Financial Issues](#) (including 2024 accounts and budgets 2025-2028)

Annexes:

- [12A](#) Auditor's Report, Income Statement for 2023 and Balance Sheet at 31 December 2023.
- [12B](#) FIG Result 2024
- [12C](#) FIG Budgets 2025-2028
- [12D](#) List of member associations whose membership fees are in arrears for 2024 and earlier and that are not allowed to vote (roll call).

**Motion:** That the General Assembly

- adopts the audited accounts for 2024
- adopts the Finance Reports from 2024, and
- adopts budgets for 2025–2028

**Decision:**

## 13. SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 2027

The General Assembly has to set levels of fees for member associations two years in advance of the year in which they become payable. Fees are payable in respect of each individual member up to a maximum of 5,500 members. Membership fees have been discussed as part of the finance report, **appendix to item 12**.

The 2024 General Assembly approved membership fees for 2026 as follows:

Year	Per capita fee	Minimum fee	Maximum fee
2026	€5.20 per member up to a maximum of 5,077 members Member associations from countries listed by the World Bank as low-income economies or lower-middle-income economies shall pay €2.60	20 members or €70 (whichever is greater)	5,500 members (€26,400)

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The World Bank lists of the low-income economies and the lower-middle-income economies are available at: <http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-classifications/country-and-lending-groups>

FIG Council has discussed the fees in the light of the current inflation and the decrease in FIG subscription income. FIG Council proposes an incremental approach for increase of subscription fees instead of stepwise increases that have been done earlier. It must be noted that from 2020-2024 it was difficult to increase fees due to first the situation with the Covid19 pandemic that hit both FIG and national associations hard and then some years with high inflation and decrease in value of investments. In the years before the inflation was close to zero. With the current situation, it is fundamental for FIG to get a stable increase that will at least fit to the inflation rate.

Council proposes to **increase the fee with €0.10** from 5.20 to 5.30. This is an increase of around 2%.

Council proposes that the maximum fee will not be affected, and will remain unchanged at €26.400, which corresponds to 5,000 national members.

Council proposes to increase the minimum fee to €80

Year	Per capita fee	Minimum fee	Maximum fee
2027	€5.30 per member up to a maximum of 5,000 members Member associations from countries listed by the World Bank as low-income economies or lower-middle-income economies shall pay €2.65 member up to a maximum of 5,000 members.	15 members or €80 (whichever is greater)	5,000 members (€26,400)

The fees for the other membership categories are a decision of council. These fees are decided for the following year. Council has decided on the same approach with an incremental increase towards Affiliate and Academic members.

**Academic members** are invoiced every 4 years. The current fee is €500 for the 4-year term. A General Assembly decision in 2013 changed the invoicing to every 4 years instead of every year and gave Academic member a 50% reduction in fee (reduced from €1,000 for 4 years to €500). Since then, this fee has not been adjusted. The next time AC members will be invoiced is in 2026 (the last time was in 2022).

**Academic Member Fee** will be increased from 2026 to €600 for a 4-year term.

**Affiliate member fee will be increased with €10 to 800 EUR from 2026**

**Corporate members:** Currently there is a Working Group under Council focusing on corporate members. Due to its work council has decided to keep the fees of the corporate members for 2026 stable until after the recommendations from the Working Group.

It must be noted that in 2021 FIG Council granted a 20% reduction of fee to all members due to the difficulties during the Covid19 Pandemic.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the membership fees suggested by FIG Council :

Year	Per capita fee	Minimum fee	Maximum fee
2027	€5.30 per member up to a maximum of 5,000 members Member associations from countries listed by the World Bank as low-income economies or lower-middle-income economies shall pay €2.65 member up to a maximum of 5,000 members.	15members or €80 (whichever is greater)	5,000 members (€26,400)

and that the General Assembly notes the comments and changes to the fees of the other membership categories.

**Decision:**

#### 14. PROPOSED CHANGE OF FIG INTERNAL RULES – ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIRS ELECTS

**Council propose to the General Assembly to change FIG Internal Rules in regard to the voting of Commission Chairs Elects.**

See web version of Statutes at:

[https://www.fig.net/organisation/general\\_assembly/statutes\\_and\\_internal\\_rules/index.asp](https://www.fig.net/organisation/general_assembly/statutes_and_internal_rules/index.asp)

**Proposal for change (marked with green):**

*11.8 The election of chair-elect shall be decided by a vote of the General Assembly at the meeting which takes place ~~two years~~ **one year** prior to the General Assembly at which chairs are elected.*

The election of Commission Chairs has three consecutive times been postponed. Each for various reasons. FIG Council has discussed the possibility for a permanent change of when the chairs elects are being elected. The proposed change is that the Chairs elects will not be elected in year 2 of a term, but in year 3. There are advantages of the election in year 2 giving the chairs elects time to prepare, however the disadvantages of this early election are weighing heavily, especially three factors:

1. Election in year 2 requires the current chairs to already work seriously on their succession plan in their first year of being a chair, where they are still focused on their own working plans
2. It is getting more difficult to get long term commitments. An election in year 2 requires 6 years of commitment (and in principle 7 because nominations are due ½ year before the election) whereas an election in year 3 will give 5 years of commitment
3. In year 2 there is already election of two vice presidents. By electing Chairs elects in year 3 the elections will be spread out.

The election of this agenda item will take place by vote online as part of the voting sheet that will be sent to all registered representatives on Tuesday 8 April 2025. The voting will take place between Tuesday 8 April 13:00 Noon and Thursday 10 April 7:00 AM Australian Eastern Standard Time.

*Please note that when you have cast your vote it is final and cannot be undone.*

**Appendix to agenda item 14:** [Proposal to the General Assembly](#) with background information

**Motion:** That FIG General Assembly agrees to change the FIG Internal Rules with the following change (marked with green):

**11.8 The election of chair-elect shall be decided by a vote of the General Assembly at the meeting which takes place ~~two years~~ **one year** prior to the General Assembly at which chairs are elected.**

**Decision:**

## 15. FIG PERMANENT INSTITUTIONS

### 15.1. International Office of Cadastre and Land Records (Office International du Cadastre et du Régime Foncier) OICRF

Dr. Eva-Maria Merscher-Unger, Director of OICRF has prepared a report on the OICRF activities.

**Appendix** to item 15.1: OICRF report (to be added)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the report and records its thanks to the Director and the members of OICRF for their past year's work and contributions.

**Decision:**

### 15.2. International Institution for the History of Surveying and Measurement (IIHS&M), Permanent Institution of FIG

Mr Jan De Graeve has been Director of IIHS&M for now over 20 years. He has done a remarkable and substantial work for the Permanent Institution over the years including publications, historic marks and latest a 7 volume of the History of Surveying and Measurement covering three Millenniums (Copies are still available by order). He has announced that he will be stepping down from the post as director.

Council proposes to appoint Mr John Brock new Director IIHS&M. Mr John Brock has already been quite active in the Permanent Institution, and has now for several years organised History Symposia and sessions at the FIG Event. This year at the Working Week there will be a full day (3 sessions) on History of Surveying in the technical programme.

**Appendix** to item 15.2:

- IIHS&M report (to be added)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the report and appoints Mr John Brock as the new Director of IIHS&M. The General Assembly records its thanks to the members of IIHS&M for their past year's work and sincere thanks to Mr Jan De Graeve for his long and outstanding work in IIHS&M.

**Decision:**

## 16. FIG FOUNDATION

Mr. Bryn Fosburgh, President of the FIG Foundation, has prepared a written report on the FIG Foundation activities in 2024. He will make a brief report orally at the General Assembly.

**Appendix** to item 16:



- Written report of the FIG Foundation activities 2024
- [Financial result 2024](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the report of the President of the FIG Foundation and records its thanks to the President and members of the Board of Directors of the FIG Foundation for their past year's work.

**Decision:**

## 17. FIG COMMISSIONS

The Commission Chairs have prepared a written update report for each commission which are attached to this agenda item.

At the General Assembly time has been reserved for the members to discuss the Commission activities with the Commission Chairs. This discussion will be chaired by Vice President Winnie Shiu, Council representative to ACCO.

**Appendix** to item 17:

Commission reports 2025:

- Commission 1 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 2 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 3 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 4 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 5 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 6 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 7 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 8 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 9 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)
- Commission 10 | [Report](#) | [web site](#)

All commissions have established LinkedIn pages under the main FIG Linked in page (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/fig---international-federation-of-surveyors>). Members, delegates and interested are encouraged to follow the FIG main LinkedIn page as well as the commission pages (accessible from the main page)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the reports of the Commission Chairs and records its thanks to the chairs and other officers of the Commissions for their ongoing contributions.

**Decision:**

## 18. FIG NETWORKS

### 18.1. Young Surveyors Network

FIG Young Surveyors is chaired by Shirley Tendai Capunza (Zimbabwe). FIG Young Surveyors have prepared a report to the General Assembly which will be presented at the General Assembly.

**Appendix** to item 18.1

- Young Surveyors report (to be added)

**Motion:** that the General Assembly adopts the report of FIG Young Surveyors, and thanks all the many active Young Surveyors.

**Decision:**

## 18.2. Standards Network

The Chair of the network, David Martin, has prepared a written report to the General Assembly of the activities 2024-25. The report will be presented at the General Assembly.

Appendix to item 18.2 – [Standards Network Report](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the report from the Network and records its thanks to the Chair of the Network and its members.

**Decision:**

## 18.3. FIG Regional Capacity Development Networks

After the establishment of the Americas network, there are now three Regional Capacity Development Networks.

The Chairs of:

- Asia/Pacific Network, Rob Sarib
- Americas Network, Dan Roman/Rosario Casanova
- Africa Network (ARN), Surv. Mohammed M Kabir

will present a short oral report to the General Assembly

### Mentoring Programme

The Africa Network (ARN) has during the past two years organised a mentoring programme. They have provided a report to FIG Council and the General Assembly with an evaluation of the programme together with recommendations. The chair of the mentoring Programme, Jennifer Whittal, will make a short presentation on their evaluation.

**Appendix** to item 18.3 –

- [Africa Network Report](#) (Mohammed M Kabir)
- [Asia/Pacific Network report](#) (Rob Sarib)
- [Americas Network report](#) (Dan Roman/Rosario Casanova)
- [Mentoring project evaluation](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly adopts the reports from the networks and records its thanks to the Chairs of the Networks and their members.

**Decision:**

## 19. TASK FORCES

## 19.1. TASK FORCE ON FIG AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (Agenda 2030)

In 2019 FIG Council established a Task Force to focus on FIG and Agenda 2030 articulated by the Sustainable Development Goals. This Task Force has been chaired by Ms. Paula Dijkstra from the Netherlands. Due to the importance of the role of the Surveyors and the SDGs the Task Force continues during this term. In the technical programme there will be several sessions that include the role of Surveyors on the SDG's. After each plenary session there will be a special session with focus on SDGs and the Industry, Governments and Education, governments and academics/universities.

Task Force web site: <https://fig.net/organisation/tf/sdg/index.asp>

**Appendix** to item 19.1: [Update report for the Task Force on FIG and the Sustainable Development Goals](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the update and thanks the chair and members of the Task Force for their past year's work and contribution

**Decision:**

## 19.2. TASK FORCE ON THE ROLE OF FIG IN INTERNATIONAL TRENDS AND FUTURE GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION ECOSYSTEM

This Task Force, established for the term 2023-2026, is looking into the role of FIG in international trends and future geospatial information ecosystem. This Task Force is chaired by Prof. Abbas Rajabifard, Australia. The task force has prepared a written report to Council for their consideration.

Task Force web site: [https://fig.net/organisation/tf/geospatial\\_information\\_ecosystem/](https://fig.net/organisation/tf/geospatial_information_ecosystem/)

**Appendix** to agenda item 19.2:

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the update and thanks the chair and members of the Task Force for their past year's work and contribution.

**Decision:**

## 19.3. TASK FORCE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE SURVEYING PROFESSION

This Task Force, established for the term 2023-2026, is an outward facing task force to encourage young people into the profession. This task force is led by Mr Stephen Djaba, Ghana. There will be two special Task Force sessions in the technical programme of the Working Week. The task force invites newcomers and other interested to the Newcomers/Icebreaker session on Monday Morning.

Task Force web site: [https://fig.net/organisation/tf/evolutionary\\_diversity/index.asp](https://fig.net/organisation/tf/evolutionary_diversity/index.asp)

**Appendix** to agenda item 19.3:

- [Update report](#)
- [Legacy report from FIG Working Week 2024](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the update and thanks the chair and members of the Task Force for their past year's work and contribution.

**Decision:**

#### 19.4. TASK FORCE ON REIMAGINING THE CLIMATE ACTION AGENDA FOR THE GLOBAL SURVEYOR COMMUNITY THROUGH FIG

This Task Force, established for the term 2023-2026, is a FIG Climate Compass Task Force – the Surveying Profession’s Global Response to Tackling the Climate Agenda. Chair of the Task Force is Ms. Clarissa Augustinus. At the Working Week there will be two dedicated and innovative sessions organised by the Task Force, and the climate agenda will be included in several other sessions.

Task Force web site: [https://fig.net/organisation/tf/climate\\_compass/index.asp](https://fig.net/organisation/tf/climate_compass/index.asp)

**Appendix** to agenda item 19.4: [Update report](#)

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the update and thanks the chair and members of the Task Force for their past year’s work and contribution.

*All task forces have a LinkedIn page which delegates and others are encouraged to follow according to interests.*

#### 20. ELECTION OF 10 COMMISSION CHAIRS ELECTS FOR 2025-26 – PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

According to the FIG Statutes and Internal Rules the General Assembly appoints Commission Chairs at its meeting two years prior to the Congress. In 2024, General Assembly agreed to postpone this election to 2025. Thus, the General Assembly shall appoint at this meeting Commission Chairs Elects for term of office 1.5.2025-31.12.2026. Under normal circumstances, the elected Commission Chair Elect will be elected as the Chair of the Commission at the FIG Congress 2026 for the term 2027-2030.

Member associations have made the following nomination for the open posts during the nomination period:

Commission 1	Mark Scanlon <a href="#">Nomination</a>	ACS	Australia
Commission 2	Rosario Casanova <a href="#">Nomination</a>	AAU	Uruguay
Commission 3 A	Vlado Cetl, <a href="#">Nomination</a>	CGS	Croatia
Commission 3 B	Markus Schaffert <a href="#">Nomination</a>	DVW	Germany
Commission 3 C	David Siriba <a href="#">Nomination</a>	ISK	Kenya
Commission 4	Gordon Johnston <a href="#">Nomination</a>	RICS	United Kingdom
Commission 5	Kevin Ahlgren <a href="#">Nomination</a>	AAGS	United States
Commission 6	Peter Bauer <a href="#">Nomination</a>	OVG	Austria

Commission 7	Kirsikka Riekkinen <a href="#">Nomination</a>	MIL	Finland
Commission 8	Naa Dedei Tagoe <a href="#">Nomination</a>	LiSAG	Ghana
Commission 9	Małgorzata Renigier-Bifozor <a href="#">Nomination</a>	SGP	Poland
Commission 10	Celestina Nkechi Eke <a href="#">Nomination</a>	NIQS	Nigeria

The appointment/election for Chairs Elects will take place between Tuesday 8 April 12:00 Noon and Thursday 10 April 6:00 AM.

Please note, only for Commission 3 there are more than one candidate and an actual election is going to take place between the three candidates.

The election will follow the Statutes and Internal Rules. There can be up to two rounds of voting. If there will be no absolute majority in the first voting, a second vote will be organized between those two candidates that have most votes. The appointed delegates from each member association eligible to vote will receive an email when each of the voting rounds starts, and one reminder if no vote has been cast after 12 hours. Each voting round is open for 20 hours.

<b>First voting round</b>	Start: Tuesday 8 April 13:00 AEST End: Wednesday 9 April 09:00 AEST
<b>Second voting round *</b>	Start: Wednesday 9 April 11:00 AEST End: Thursday 10 April 07:00 AEST
20 hours per round * Commission 3: a second round will be started with the two candidates who get the most votes in case no candidate will get over 50% of the votes in the first round. If one candidate gets more than 50% of the votes in the first round this candidate will be elected and there will be no need for a second voting round.	

The appointed delegates from each member association eligible to vote will receive an email from [www.simplyvoting.com](http://www.simplyvoting.com) with a link to the voting sheet when each of the voting rounds starts, and one reminder if no vote has been cast.

*Please note that when you have cast your vote it is final and cannot be undone.*

**Motion:** That the General Assembly:

- elects the Chair Elect to Commission 3
- agree to appoint the chair elects to the other commissions

**Decision:**

## 21. ELECTION OF HOST AND DESTINATION FOR FIG WORKING WEEK 2029 – PRESENTATION OF BIDS

The FIG Working Weeks are organised by FIG together with a local member association. FIG will together with the local member association have full responsibility of the arrangements and of the financial result. This offers FIG better opportunities in terms of organising events and generating revenue. Therefore, the Council has to ensure that all candidates are aware of the role of FIG and split of responsibilities for organising the Working Week. This General Assembly will decide on the host for the FIG Working Week 2029.

The FIG Council has received two bids to host the FIG Working Week 2029, and FIG Council thanks the national associations for their special engagement and contribution to FIG.

The Council has prepared a desktop summary on the bids. In the summary report the considerations, as laid out in the invitation documentation, are described for comparison:

- Rotation of the conferences (region);
- Country (hosting of earlier FIG events, experience);
- Member association (its activeness, commitment to FIG and the Working Week, execution ability for local association);
- Supporting organisations (local support to the Working Week, governmental support, financial support, general support);
- Host city (characteristics and interest from congress programme point of view, host city attractiveness, host city offerings);
- Venue (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);
- Accessibility (flight connections, several access possibilities, security, visa issues, air fare to destination);
- Safety and security (political stability, airport safety, city safety, political stability in the country - rating must be 3 or higher);
- Proposed dates (must meet FIG requirements, Following FIG statutes, practical dates, availability of venue, other conferences at the same time)
- Technical programme (coverage of all FIG Commissions, potential partners, originality, special ideas);
- Technical tours (coverage of all FIG Commissions, originality, ideas proposed);
- Social programme (attractiveness and variety, proposals for dinners, attractiveness of offered dinners, proposals for tours, is the programme following the overall FIG concept);
- Attendance (expectation of international, regional and local attendance, realistic number of international and national participants);
- Finances (estimate of surplus and financial risks, realistic fees proposed, fees in an acceptable price range, difference between international and national fees, realistic budget, estimated revenue);
- Sponsorship (estimate sponsorship and exhibition income, proposed income, how realistic is proposed income, local sponsor offerings, sponsor interest to conference);
- Why host (reason for hosting);
- Objectives and outcomes (thought through why conference should be held at destination, difference to other destinations, short term outcome, long term outcome);
- Suggested theme (thought of possible theme that fits to local/regional situation);
- Events organised in the past three years (how experienced is the host in organising events)
- Major events planned in the proposed city (many events might affect the price level):
- Initiatives for sustainable conference environment (is host city, venue and local host paying attention to environmental issues);
- New initiatives or activities (originality – but within the overall FIG concept)
- What legacy to leave locally from the Working Week (with host, hosting city, for the surveying community)

The summary report will not give a recommendation or a preference to any candidate but it will draw from the bids to highlight the information provided on each items listed above and summarise the pros and cons of each candidate to assist the member association in making their decision.

The General Assembly must note that, especially in these past years, the issue of security and financial viability has come to the fore. The purpose of the evaluation process is to maintain the continued viability, high standard and quality of the FIG Working Week.

The Council has considered the bids and has decided to present the submitted bids to the General Assembly for its decision:

- a. Halifax, Canada – Canadian Institute of Geomatics CIG  
[Bidding Document](#)
- b. Kampala, Uganda – Institution of Surveyors of Uganda ISU  
[Bidding Document](#)

[Summary report](#)

The election between the two candidates will take place online between Tuesday 8 April 12:00 and Wednesday 9 April 8:00 AEST in the same election form as for the 10 commission candidates.

The appointed delegates from each member association eligible to vote will receive an email when the voting round starts, and one reminder if no vote has been cast after 12 hours. The voting is open for 20 hours.

*Please note that when you have cast your vote it is final and cannot be undone.*

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the submission and the presentation, makes its careful consideration and decision for the online voting.

**Decision:**

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## FIG PRESIDENT'S MEETING

**WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL 2025 – 07:30 – 08:45, BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA**

### 22. FIG PRESIDENT'S MEETING

The Presidents Meeting is convened by the FIG President and is reserved for Presidents or Heads of delegations of Member Associations (or their representatives).

The meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 9 APRIL 2025 at 07:30 – 08:45.

Appendix to agenda item 22: Benefits of being member of FIG updated version

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**FIG GENERAL ASSEMBLY DAY 2  
10 APRIL 9:00 – 12:00  
BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA**

**23. ROLL CALL**

There will be a roll call for members attending in person in Brisbane, Australia.

**Appendix to item 2& 23:** [Roll Call](#) including information on member associations that are not allowed to vote at the General Assembly because of unpaid membership fees for 2024 and earlier.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes the members who are present in person on day 2 of the General Assembly.

**Decision:**

**24. ELECTION OF CHANGE TO INTERNAL RULES ON ELECTION OF CHAIRS ELECTS**

The General Assembly has been presented to the proposed change to the text in the FIG Internal Rules in the General Assembly day 1. Online election will take place between Tuesday 8 April 13:00 and Wednesday 9 April 9:00.

The result of the voting will be presented by FIG Council.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes and adopts the voting result.

**Decision:**

**25. ELECTION OF TEN COMMISSION CHAIRS ELECTS – RESULT**

The General Assembly has been presented to the candidates for the ten Commissions on General Assembly day 1. Online election will take place between Tuesday 8 April 13:00 and Thursday 10 April 7:00AM AEST.

The result of the voting will be presented by FIG Council.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes and adopts the voting result.

**Decision:**

**26. ELECTION OF HOST AND DESTINATION FOR FIG WORKING WEEK 2029 – RESULT**

The General Assembly has been presented to the two candidates on General Assembly day 1. Online election will take place between Tuesday 8 April 12:00 and Wednesday 9 April 8:00AM AEST.



**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes and adopts the voting result.

**Decision:**

## 27. MEMBERSHIP ISSUES

The Council will decide on membership issues, if any, considered in Brisbane and bring them to the General Assembly for decision or information as necessary.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly notes and adopts the updates.

**Decision:**

## 28. REPORTS FROM ASSOCIATION & REGIONAL BODIES FORUM, AFFILIATE, ACADEMIC AND CORPORATE MEMBERS FORUM

During the Working Week there will be Member Association/Regional Bodies Forum, the Director General's/Affiliate Members Forum, Academic Members Forum, and Corporate Members Meeting. They may report back to the General Assembly on any issues that may need the endorsement of or are of general interest to the General Assembly.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report(s)

**Decision:**

## 29. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS

FIG Commissions will have their annual meetings, administrative meetings and technical sessions during the Working Week. They may report back to the General Assembly on any issues that may need the endorsement of or are of general interest to the General Assembly. Any other activities from the Working Week may be reported back to the General Assembly on any issues that may need the endorsement of or are of general interest to the General Assembly.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report(s).

**Decision:**

## 30. REPORTS FROM TASK FORCES

The task forces will be involved in various sessions and meetings and will have the opportunity to report back to the General Assembly on any issue that are of general interest to or may need endorsement of the General Assembly.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report(s).

**Decision:**

### **31. REPORTS FROM NETWORKS, PERMANENT INSTITUTIONS, FIG FOUNDATION AND OTHER WORKING WEEK ACTIVITIES**

Networks, Permanent Institutions and others will have meetings and technical sessions in Orlando. They may report back to the General Assembly on any issues that may need the endorsement of or are of general interest to the General Assembly. Any other activities from the Working Week may be reported back to the General Assembly on any issues that may need the endorsement of or are of general interest to the General Assembly.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report(s).

**Decision:**

### **32. OTHER ISSUES**

Any other issues that the members want to raise for discussion.

**Motion:** That the discussion will be recorded, and the Council will consider action that will be required.

**Decision:**

### **33. REPORT OF THE FIG WORKING WEEK 2028 IN PARIS, FRANCE**

The FIG Working Week 2028 will include the celebration of the 150 anniversary of FIG. Representatives from the Local Organising Committee from the two French member associations OGE and ATF will give a short presentation on the preparations of FIG Working Week 2028

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report.

**Decision:**

### **34. REPORT ON THE FIG WORKING WEEK 2027 IN STAVANGER, NORWAY**

Representatives from the Local Organising Committee from the Norwegian Member Association will give a short presentation on the preparations of FIG Working Week 2027.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report.

**Decision:**

### **35. REPORT ON THE FIG CONGRESS 2026 IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA**

Representatives from the Local Organising Committee from South African Geomatics Institute (SAGI) will give a short presentation on preparations of FIG Congress 2026.

**Motion:** That the General Assembly records the report.

**Decision:**

### **36. CLOSING CEREMONY AND PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES**