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From October 8 till 13, 2006, CLGE participated on the XXIII FIG congress in Munich in the new international congress centre ICM located on the former airport of Munich.

The name “Shaping of the Change” of this FIG Congress was the base for a successful congress, which was visited by app. 3000 participants from more as one hundred countries world wide.

Almost 600 papers were presented in those 4 days, which made it impossible to get a realistic overview about all those topics.

This 23rd FIG Congress was officially opened on Tuesday, October 10th by the Prime Minister of the South German State Bavaria, Dr. Edmund Stoiber.

As V.I.P speaker of this congress he expressed to be very proud to host the FIG again in Bavaria, one of the most beautiful and wealthy German States, known all over the world for the heavy industry, car- and motor production, high technology, innovation and the excellent education possibilities on several levels.

As key note speaker of this congress the well known Dr. Klaus Töpfer was invited, former politician in the Federal Government of the FRG, nowadays active as chairman of the Department of Environment of the UN.

His speech underlined again the importance of Geomatics and Geographic Information not only for the protection of the environment, but also for development aid in the third world countries, disaster planning, sustainable of our globe and since September 11th for national security.

Professor Holger Magel, FIG President took the opportunity to make his closing speech, after 4 years bearing the sceptre of the FIG and to express his gratitude to everybody who had worked with him and the FIG Board and had given him support during this interval.

After a dazzling Farewell party on October 12th in the traditional Bayerische Hofbraühaus, the FIG General Assembly was held on Friday 13th, where the elections took place for the new FIG President and Vice President.

Prof. Stig Enemark, former CLGE delegate of Danemark, was elected as the new FIG president for four years and Prof. Paul van de Molen, Professor at the ITC and Director of the International Cadastre office in the Netherlands was elected as Vice President for 2 years.

This FIG Congress was organized together with the German Intergeo, the yearly professional Trade Fair for the Geomatic market and due to this joint performance of FIG and Intergeo it was the greatest show on Earth in the field of Geo Information and Geomatics .

The 3 exhibition halls of the ICM were filled up with app. 500 booths, the exhibitors came from almost 30 countries inside and outside Europe and during this three days, October 10th till 13th, almost 20.000 visitors filled up the corridors between the booths.

In the meantime the Intergeo is the largest meeting point for the industry sectors Geodesy, Geo-information and Land management in Europe and beyond and provides a comprehensive overview of all innovations, trends and standards of this profession.

The CLGE took the opportunity to organize during this days a combined CLGE-GE reception in the ICM for all present CLGE and GE delegates and invited guests, during this reception President of the Litunian Association of Landsurveyors (LAS) Vaidotas Sankalas signed the Multilateral Accord.

The next Intergeo will take place in Leipzig FRG from September 25th till 27, 2007.