



Surveyors Day celebrated in Republic of Moldova

In 2011, Vasile Chiriac, President of Moldavian Union of Surveyors UGM reported about an interesting tradition in his home country: Surveyors Day! Based on this idea, we've introduced the Day of the European Surveyor and GeoInformation. Hereafter we report about the latest edition of this celebration in Moldova.



Logo of the Union of Moldovan Surveyors

According to the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova decision No. 433-XII, dated 26th December 1990, the Government adopted the Decision to promote the Surveying Profession in the private and public sector with a declaration to celebrate "Surveyors Day" each year on the last Sunday of July.

On July 26th 2012 a General Assembly of the Moldavian Union of Surveyors was organized with special guest Mr. Anatolie Ghilas, General Director of the Land Relation and Cadastre Agency. After Dr. Vasile Chiriac, UGM President, delivered the Annual Report, greeting messages from private and international surveying organizations were announced.

Ms. Aliona Scutelnic, UGM member, presented the results from the young surveyors' participation in the III international and professional training course organized by The Consiglio Nazionale Geometri Laureati in Athens, from 3rd to 15th October 2011, strongly supported by CLGE. She also gave a short report of her



Secretary General Dr. Livia Nistor-Lopatenco in front of her President Dr. Vasile Chiriac (Left) and Mr. Anatolie Ghilas, General Director of the Land Relation and Cadastre Agency

experience as a participant in the First FIG Young Surveyors' Conference in conjunction with the FIG Working Week in Rome, Italy in May 2012 and presented a FIG Foundation Young Surveyor Fellow Award. Other related UGM members issues were also discussed.

On the weekend, outdoor picnics and sports were organized by state institutions and private companies for the staff and guests.

For the future we are planning a National Conference to coincide with the Surveyors Day, in collaboration with national and international organizations, with awards for the best surveyors of the year. An Open Day for the younger generation is to be organized by state organizations, private companies and educational institutions.

Dr. Livia Nistor-Lopatenco,
UGM Secretary General



Aliona Scutelnic proudly shows the Young Surveyors Award



5 March 2012 ... 22 March 2013

In 2012 the Day of the European Surveyor took place on March 5th, next year it will be on March 22nd. This year we've honoured Mercator. On 12 – 13 October 2012, the CLGE General Assembly gathered in Hanover, will decide about the illustrious surveyor to honour next year.

In 2012, the Day of the European Surveyor and GeoInformation gave us the opportunity to honour Gerardus Mercator (the poster by the Belgian Designer Arianne Weyrich we've edited on that occasion is published in this issue).

Next year the Day of the European Surveyor and GI will be organized in conjunction of the Surveyors Week that takes place in the United States.

CLGE aims at the organization of a worldwide professional event.

Talks with other Regional bodies and FIG are on-going. Whoever's interested to join the idea can contact us jean-yves.pirlot@clge.eu.

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Poster of 2012 by Arianne Weyrich

What the hell is DPKB?

The Dynamic Professional Knowledge Base: 'DPKB' A revolutionary new database for geodetic surveying in Europe powered by CLGE.

The Council of European Geodetic Surveyors (CLGE) is currently working on a project that could revolutionize the access to information about geodetic surveying in Europe. It had become obvious during the past years that there is a considerable lack of information when it comes to national rules, regulations and practices of geodetic surveying throughout Europe. At the same time there was a rising demand for such concise information.

So CLGE decided to take the initiative and drafted a concept for a so called "Dynamic Professional Knowledge Database". The CLGE data base will be in English and is meant to be a regularly updated comprehensive collection of all relevant information about the profession of Geodetic Surveyors in all CLGE Member countries. All information that is already available on the profession of Geodetic Surveyors on national or European level or within CLGE will be integrated in the database after a validation check.

The structure of the contents shall be clear and simple in order to avoid interpretational misunderstandings and to make the regular updating simple. Additionally this shall make the use of the database as easy as possible also for clients and non-experts.

The information will be updated by the CLGE Member organisations on a regularly basis. To ensure the efficient collection of the information as well as the regular updates each CLGE Member organisation will nominate a responsible person or team for the maintenance of the database within the national organisation. Additionally the CLGE will check on the updates and clarify information if necessary.

The aims of the database are manifold:

The information is of course going to be a help for CLGE as the representative organisation of European Geodetic Surveyors to



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responsible for the implementation of the CLGE DPKB

even better explain and transport the situation and the necessities of the professionals and their clients to the European Institutions.

It will also help competent authorities on national level to learn more about the situation in other European countries, which will help them in matters of professional recognition and will improve the contacts between competent authorities in different countries and enhance an exchange of best practice. Additionally the database can and probably will be an important source of information for European Institutions, as such a clear overview of national regulatory and educational structures combined with practical contact and statistical information is not available anywhere else.

A very important aspect of the database is to provide an information pool and guidance for individual Geodetic Surveyors who are interested in providing their services in other countries. This element could give a boost to mobility within the profession.

Last but not least the database can be a source of information for clients and can help them understand and compare surveying services in Europe.

The key elements of the database are already quite clear:

- National legal framework: The core of the data base is a collection of the national legislation about the profession including any laws containing relevant regulation in relation to the profession (e.g. building laws, legislation on real property or living space or any other legislation that relates to the profession of Geodetic Surveyors).
- Fields of activity: As the fields of activities of Geodetic Surveyors differ very much the database will give a description of the scope of the profession of Geodetic Surveyors in each country and

describe the different fields of activities (e.g. real property assessment, property division, land use planning etc.) and the requirements (education, authorization etc.) for working in these fields.

- Professional recognition: The database will show all requirements in relation with the different fields of activity and the procedures and contact persons for Geodetic Surveyors from another country who want to a) supply cross border services or b) get permanently established in that country.
- Education programmes: National Universities/other institutions offering education/training programmes for the profession of Geodetic Surveyor plus a description of the relevant curricula will be listed in the database.

Additionally it will give information about requirements/obligations and possibilities in view to continued professional education.

- Statistical data/economic data: The database will also show statistical and economic data that is available about the profession, e.g. number of liberal professional surveyors, number of employed surveyors, number of male/female surveyors, number of civil servants, number of students etc.

The realisation of the database is already currently on-going: The defining of the technical solution, the final structure of the content and the setting up of detailed requirements in all categories of the database is done professionally by a company from the Netherlands, the winner of a tendering procedure that was done by CLGE.

"There is still quite a lot of work ahead of us", says Rudolf Kolbe, CLGE Vice-President and responsible for the implementation of the database. "But we are sure that it is definitely worth it."