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GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CLGE

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Minutes

Venue: Danubius Hotel Gellért

General Assembly I, Friday 22 March 2013, 9.00 – 12.00

1. Opening

CLGE President Jean-Yves Pirlot opens the General Assembly.

A minute of silence is dedicated in the honour of CLGE Past President and Honorary Member Klaus Rürup. A few words are also said by Henning Elmstroem.

The president also welcomes FIG Vice President Rudolf Staiger, John Hohol, FIG Foundation President and NSPS representative as well as Eva-Maria Unger, FIG Young Surveyors Network's Secretary. He also welcomes an unexpected guest from Malaysia.

2. Roll Call and Apologies of Absence

a. CLGE Secretary General Michelle Camilleri takes the roll call;

Bulgaria, FYRO Macedonia, Greece, Iceland, Lithuania and the Republic of Serbia sent in their apologies prior to the start of the GA and there is a 'no show' by Cyprus and Latvia.

b. Announcement of the members present and carrying the voting rights;

All members raise their flags showing which delegate will be carrying the voting right and a note of this is taken.

c. Appointment of two tellers;

Ewa Swenson (SE) and Jan Hardos (SK) are appointed as two tellers throughout the General Assembly.

d. Welcome of new delegates and participants

The president gives a warm welcome to all new delegates and participants and announces that the pins will be given in the coffee breaks and/or dinners.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The General Assembly unanimously adopts the Agenda dated 19 February 2013.



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4. Approval of the Minutes of the GA in Hanover, 12 - 13 October 2012

The General Assembly unanimously adopts the minutes as circulated on 12 November 2012.

5. Report by the Treasurer

CLGE Treasurer Dieter Seitz presents the Accounts 2012 and the revised budget for 2013. He reports about the financial situation at hand. He also states that we have enough reserves in the bank which we can invest in on-going and new projects if need be.

Duncan Moss (UK) asks what the €16,500 funds are for and the treasurer replies by explaining that they were spent on the event in Brussels this same week to announce the European Day of Surveyor. However, the major part of the cost was invested for the European Space Expo. The president adds that this Space Expo is a very good visibility for CLGE. We have to thank our partner in this event, since Trimble has announced a special sponsoring of €16,500.

6. Auditors Report and Approval of the Accounts 2012

The Auditor Raymond Dhur presents a report and recommendations on the 2012 accounts. He states that together with Ivan Andreev he has gone through the accounts, that they are clear and well kept. He recommends the general assembly to adopt them.

The General Assembly unanimously adopts the report of the auditors and the Accounts for 2012. Discharge to Treasurer and Executive Board is given.

The General Assembly unanimously adopts the revised budget 2013 as tabled by the Executive Board.

7. Report by the CLGE President and Board Members

The president gives a brief report about the recent and on-going activities including:

- Revised Sponsoring Rules were uploaded on the website prior to the event and there are no comments from the General Assembly;
- Guidelines for the organization of General Assemblies were sent out with the agenda as well as uploaded on the website and there are no comments from the General Assembly;
- The Worldwide Surveyors Day (Cooperation with the National Society of Professional Surveyors – USA) / FIG / FIG Young Surveyors Network. A MoU is to be created with NSPS and the General Assembly agrees to this as a way forward. The president also states that a good idea is to have a FIG representative present at our future general assembly, as proposed by the FIG President Cheehai Teo.



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8. Modification of the Internal Rules

The president reports about some modifications to the Internal Rules, including:

- a new enclosure about the voting procedure, as requested by the Hanover GA and tabled by the EB

Henning Elmstroem (DK) comments on the voting procedure and states that if only one candidate is running for a particular post then he/she should be automatically elected. There should not be a vote. The Board was informed about this suggestion and proposes to add a line that votes by acclamation are allowed.

The president asks the general assembly if there are any further comments.

Duncan Moss (UK) says that it is better to have a formal vote as this is important to the democratic process.

Clemens Kiepke (DE) says that it is a traditional way to vote in a democratic process so he also recommends that there should be a voting process.

The president intervenes and says that the best thing is to ask the GA. A vote is organized to adopt the rules as they were sent out, i.e. WITH a formal vote even if there is only one candidate.

The General Assembly adopts the voting regulations as sent out before the GA by 16 in favour, 5 abstentions and 4 against. Total voting countries are 28.

- a new reimbursement rule applying to the full Bureau instead of president and secretary general, as tabled by the EB.

The president explains that historically the members of the board are reimbursed when attending an Executive Board meeting and only the president and the secretary general are reimbursed when attending a General Assembly. The new Internal Rules propose that the treasurer who is member of the Bureau is also to be reimbursed for attending General Assemblies.

The General Assembly unanimously adopts the new reimbursement rule as tabled by the Executive Board.

9. CLGE Autumn General Assembly, 04-05 October 2013

The MD Delegation, reports about the "Chisinau" General Assembly.

Vasile Chiriac gives an overall presentation of the objectives as well as the events that will take place on October 4th & 5th in Moldova.



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10. The Chisinau Seminar

The CLGE President and MD Delegation report about the Chisinau Seminar.

The seminar preparation will be based on the results of the workshop organized on 22 March 2013 as well as on the French thematic meeting in September.

General Assembly II, Friday 22 March 2013, 14.00 – 18.00

11. Membership Affairs

a. New application(s)

The president gives an overall presentation about the potential new members of CLGE and the strategy to follow. He states that there is no new application pending but we should look into potential members such as Ukraine, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo and Turkey. He suggests that these countries would be invited to join the Moldova GA. They could ask for the observer status.

There are also other smaller countries that may be contacted such as Lichtenstein / Andorra / San Marino / Monaco.

In fact these very small countries could be represented by a neighbour which takes care of the Surveying Profession in these states (e.g. Switzerland for Liechtenstein). Contacts can be taken in that sense.

Duncan Moss (UK) says that it is interesting to have the smaller countries join but would like to know how far CLGE will go with the smaller countries. Reason being that in the UK there are also 'smaller countries' like Gibraltar etc. The president replies that this enlargement policy will be elaborated on at the next GA.

The concerned countries can already make some contacts to see what the feeling is.

b. National presentations

Denmark: the Danish Data policy (preparation of the Chisinau Seminar).

Sweden: the creation of the new association for Swedish Professionals for the Built Environment.

12. Editorial policy - Engagement

a. Website, modern member and partner engagement (incl. social media)

Vice President Pedro Ortiz gives an update of the media that we are currently making use of on the net such as Facebook as well as the twitter; he speaks about the website



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that we are on the way of refreshing with Milan Talich and he also thanks him for all his effort and help

We have also inserted the GeoInformatics part in the website as well as we created the euREAL website. Both documents can be read in fluid book form and downloaded as pdf.

b. Special National or Regional Events

A thematic seminar will take place in Lyon. It will be presented by Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt at a later stage.

As announced a CLGE seminar will take place in Moldova on the 3rd of October 2013.

Finally there is also another proposal for a regional event by the Russian Federation related to the Struve Arc, planned in July 2014, in Kaliningrad. The accent will be put on the neighbouring "Struve Countries".

c. Cooperation with international magazines (GIM, GeoInformatics, ...)

The president gives an update of the work that we do with Geoinformatics. This cooperation is planned for 2013 – 2014 and seems very well perceived.

He announces that GIM has withdrawn its interest in further cooperation due to the fact that we cannot pass on the members' data to them. Other ways of cooperation remain possible and talks are on-going.

The General Assembly adopts the Editorial policy.

13. IG-PARLS

a. Reporting on IG-PARLS activities

Maurice Barbieri, chair of IG-PARLS, gives an overview of the diverse activities of his IG.

The most important project concerns the revision of the Accord Multilateral, developed in point b, but other activities have to be mentioned.

Support is being given to Croatia, Spain and Greece. As far as projects are concerned, IG-PARLS is supporting the DPKB as well as the blueparking.eu.

b. The revision of the Accord Multilateral

About the revision of the Accord Multilateral, IG-PARLS had two meetings; one in Paris and one Luneburg. Another meeting will be necessary and some results could be shown in Chisinau.



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14. European Affairs

a. Engagement within CEPLIS

Rudolf Kolbe gives a presentation about CEPLIS. Two board meetings were held with the main topic being the Directive on Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications. CEPLIS is still actively involved with this directive. Further there are a lot of activities of the EC regarding the 2020 agenda (following the former Lisbon strategy). There are several high level working groups set up by the EC dealing also with engineering issues and/or liberal professions. CEPLIS has good contacts with the EC (e.g. Mr. Baldinato from the cabinet of commissioner Tajani) and will take part in some of these working groups.

CEPLIS itself has a working group on CPD and it would be important also for CLGE to participate. Candidates can always contact Rudolf Kolbe to get more information.

The next GA with elections of CEPLIS will be on 10th of June in Madrid. No questions or remarks from the floor are made and CLGE approves that Rudolf Kolbe remains on board as its representative.

He is thanked for his work and is accepted for another term by acclamation.

b. Engagement with the EU

We just had the best example of EU Engagement with the European Space Expo.

Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt reports on the vote of the MEP's of the Commission of the European Parliament in charge of Internal Market and Consumer protection.

The votes occurred on 23 January 2013. France is satisfied with the results of the votes except as regards to the common frameworks for training because the system will automatically imply an absence of compensation measures.

For instance, if France and Spain decide to adopt common framework, and if a Spanish applicant wants to exercise his profession in France, France will not be able to ask him to go through compensation measures. OGE thinks it is a pity as every surveyor must know the legal rules of the country where he wants to work. This was only possible with compensation measures.

Duncan Moss (UK) asks her what is meant by partial access and what IMI is? Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt explains that partial access is for example if in Germany you want to teach young children then you need a specific diploma per educational level, whereas in France there is only one. If a German teacher wants to teach in France then that person would have partial access only, depending on the studying level that was reached. IMI system is an information system within the internal market (market information)

Clemens Kiepke (DE) says that there is a second diploma for publicly appointed surveyors in Germany.

Asked by Maurice Barbieri (CH) if there are concerns about all this Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt answers that future will show what happens with this regulation on partial access.



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Jean-Yves Pirlot asks Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt to give advice to the GA. She answers that her feeling is that CLGE can be reassured. No action is required. If a given country cannot live with a certain regulation, it can still intervene in the process via its government.

c. Marine knowledge 2020 – EU Green Paper

Nicolas Smith reports on CLGE's answer to the public consultation launched by the European Commission on Marine knowledge 2020. A working group was set up by Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Lithuania, Spain & UK. The answers were sent to the European commission in December 2012. The main elements were that the data should be freely available, legal factors (concessions, etc.) are not to be forgotten and quality is to be kept at a high level. Nicolas Smith will follow this project in the future and will report to the GA.

d. Monitoring EU Developments

Benedict Fournier-Schmitt reminds the GA that if there is anything interesting happening in the respective countries then to come forward with the information and she will share it (monitoring@clge.eu).

The president asks her to find a way as to how to start publishing the information about European tenders.

e. euREAL

The president announces that euREAL has been translated in Croatian, which is great.

It will be presented during a meeting hosted by the World Bank in Washington.

RICS has taken the initiative to organize an International Property Measurement Standard Coalition. This is a very good follow up for our euREAL initiative and RICS is thanked for the invitation.

Duncan Moss (UK) asks if we can now have some case studies and see who is using it and to start reporting back. This can be a task for the working group that was created for euREAL.

Another interesting result is that the European Normalisation Body CEN, is willing to cooperate with CLGE to transform euREAL into a legally binding text. This would improve the situation a lot. However, CEN thinks that this task would take three years and €150.000. For obvious reasons, CLGE cannot afford such expenses. Therefore, we have to get some support from the European bodies and or private investors, amongst our stakeholders.

f. blueparking.eu

Maurice Barbieri gives a very quick overview as the presentation was done previously at the space expo. Two documents were sent via email yesterday and the national delegates are being asked to reply to the questionnaire as soon as possible.

The results of the workshops were studied and now Maurice Barbieri says that there should be different opportunities for all even for the ones that are somewhat sceptical about the project. To start the project we want to find sponsors all over Europe.



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One or two main sponsors for the project would be ideal. But then, smaller ones that will be able to interact with the main project would be necessary on a national level.

Maurice Barbieri asks for the members to stay in touch with him and the board and to come forward with any suggestions and/or remarks.

Jean-Yves Pirlot states that Switzerland is the prototype and now a few countries need to follow. The countries raising their flags are Germany, Belgium, Croatia and Estonia. Others can of course follow. The president asks the members to buy the domain of their respective countries eg: www.blueparking.es or www.blueparking.be etc.

Some sponsors are interested to give data (not money) eg: NAVTEQ would give their maps to be used as a backdrop for those countries that don't have a good map system or simply for a continuous European backdrop.

Duncan Moss (UK) asks if we have the specific technical data available; Maurice Barbieri replies that we do have it but it needs to be translated. Duncan Moss also asks about the hosting and serving of the data and whether a single web map application per country is envisaged or one for the whole of the CLGE area of interest. Maurice Barbieri replies that we can provide a centralised database for those countries that haven't got a system in place. Decisions still have to be taken.

g. CLGE students' Contest 2013 – CLGE students' Meeting 2014

Jens Riecken suggests CLGE to send out some information that the respective countries can send to their universities to promote this contest. The president thanks him for this and said that Leiv Bjarte Mjos will prepare this email and we will send it out after the GA. Papers are to be received before August 5th.

Jens Riecken (DVW) says that the CLGE students' meeting of 2014 can take place during INTERGEO Berlin. His organisation wants to be very supportive to this CLGE project.

DVW will provide cheap entrance fees to the fair; they will also provide a reception for the students but they will not provide any travel arrangements or accommodation.

President Jean-Yves Pirlot says that CLGE is thankful that DVW is very helpful to work together with us.

Henning Elmstroem as the initiator of the first event says that the students would surely be interested in taking part in the international conference so if DVW can find a solution to get easy access, this would be ideal.

As far as the housing is concerned, Jean Yves Pirlot announces that CLGE wants to stick to the initial approach. Contacts with BDVI in Berlin are on-going.

h. Cooperation in European tenders

CLGE has taken part in different European Tenders.

One was conducted with FDC, a former contractor of GSA. It was not successful but we were informed that it will possibly start again.



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Jean-Yves Pirlot states that if we have such expertise amongst us then we shouldn't stand on the side lines and we should get involved. He also mentions the other tenders that we were contacted to be stakeholders in.

Hendrik Westerbeek who works for SAGEO took the initiative to write, together with Belgium, Lithuania, Bulgaria and the Netherlands, a proposal for the European Commission under the Leonardo lifelong programme. He gives a short presentation about this initiative. The goal is to encourage cooperation between the Vocational Educational Training and labour markets. The project consists of 5 work packages 1) to identify the best cooperation model for a country between education, private and public sector; the Belgians will be leading this WP; 2) to find the best way for awareness raising for younger people (Bulgaria); 3) bridging the gap between demand and supply (Lithuania); 4) project management to be done by the Dutch; 5) the dissemination of the project CLGE & EuroGeo will be the supporters; budget is €200.000 for 2 years if project is approved.

Vasile Chiriac remarks that Horizon 2020 (follow up of FP7) is a project that he is involved in and Moldova. He says that it would be a good idea if CLGE could get involved in this project as well.

15. Dynamic Professional Knowledge Base

Rudolf Kolbe introduces the on-going project and prior to the presentation of Aerovision he gives an overview of the work in progress. He says that we are currently on track with the work and ready to start the next phase i.e. the introduction of data.

Aerovision show the roadmap that has been established and presented to the members in previous GA's. Phase I was a need to have choice Phase II was to define the data structure, develop it, implement it and validate. It included the fill out the Knowledge Base with some examples; Phase III is there to fill out the country specifics, evaluate the experience from Phase II and add formality. Merijn Jacobs shows a few videos demonstrating how to: direct entry, search entry, meta data, editing, scaling; members can already go to <http://clge.staging.tremani.nl>.

Dieter Seitz (DE) asks when can one access the website? Aerovision replies that it is already up and running on the address mentioned above.

Rudolf Kolbe states that Cornelia Hammerschlag (AT) encountered a few problems such as not knowing how to change an entry but all has been fixed now. Austria has managed to enter a lot of data in the database, within about two days.

General Assembly approves the version at hand for further implementation of the project.

16. Dates and Venues of the coming Assemblies, Conferences and Meetings

a. Statutory meetings

II GA 2013, Chisinau (Moldova) / 4th & 5th October 2013, theme of the WS to be fixed;

I GA 2014, Spain (Marbella) / 20-22 March; themes of the WS to be fixed;



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II GA 2014, Iceland (City to be fixed) / Dates and theme to be fixed not later than in Chisinau (Moldova);

I GA 2015, Latvia (city to be fixed – Probably Riga) / Dates and theme to be fixed in Marbella (Spain);

II GA 2015, Russia (Moscow) / Dates and theme to be fixed in Iceland;

I GA 2016, Albania (city to be fixed – Probably Tirana) / Dates and theme to be fixed in Latvia;

II GA 2016, Country to be decided. Possibly Cyprus. Some contacts are on-going about this bid;

I GA 2017, Switzerland has obtained this GA, 100 Anniversary of IGS; it is being shifted from 2015 upon Swiss request.

b. Non statutory meetings

Moldova Seminar: 3rd October 2013. On special request of the local organizer, the theme is to be concentrated on the implementation of the cadastral system in Moldova. The seminar will be oriented towards Land Consolidation and Re-allotment;

CLGE Students' contest 2013 and 2014. This will be annually organized. In 2013 the awarding will be organised in Essen (INTERGEO) for categories I and II and during the FIG YS Conference in Portugal for category III;

III Day of the European Surveyor and GeoInformation, Marbella (ES), during the GA and the CLGE Conference of the European Surveyor. Formally, it will be on the 21 March 2014;

2014 CLGE Conference of the European Surveyor to be fixed (Marbella (ES), 20 March 2014 TBC, Theme: introduction of the "Geometra-Experto" in Spain);

Regional Struve Conference in Kaliningrad, July 2014.

CLGE Students' meeting October 2014, Berlin, INTERGEO.

17. Presentation of the themes of the Generic Thematic part of the General Assembly

The different Moderators and speakers present their session during the plenary.

a. Land Re-allotment and Land consolidation

- (1) Presentation of the topic by Maurice Barbieri
- (2) Local issues and needs by Dr. Judit Mizsei Nyiri
- (3) Introduction to the French seminar

b. 3D Cadastre technical and legal approach

- (1) Introduction of the topic by Pedro Ortiz
- (2) Short reminder about his Hanover presentation and update by Stephan Heitmann
- (3) Presentation of the Legal Aspects of the Swiss 3D Cadastre, by Helena Astroem



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c. Land Administration Domain Model (LADM) / ISO

(1) Introduction of the topic by Leiv Bjarte Mjøs

(2) LADM: Hungarian case study for the effective data model implementation by Mr. Gyula Iván (FÖMI).

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National presentations from Denmark and Sweden:

Torben Juulsager gives a pps presentation about "egovernment strategy 2011-2015". This is best practice example since it provides good basic data for everyone and every use.

Ewa Swenson announces the Upsala Seminar on 29-31 May 2013: "the Swedish professionals for the built environment". A new association with this name is created in Sweden.

18. Workshops

Detailed reports about the workshops underneath will follow.

- Land Reallotment, Land consolidation (moderator Maurice Barbieri and Vasile Chiriac)
- 3D Cadaster – Technical and Legal aspects (moderator Pedro Ortiz);
- Land Administration Domain Model / ISO (moderator Leiv Bjarte Mjøs).

19. AOB

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20. Closing of the General Assembly

Henning Elmstroem as the oldest delegate, takes the floor thanking the president and his team for the marvellous job that was done. He underlines that CLGE is moving firmly to the goals that were set out. He especially notices that the GA's are very effective with well-prepared workshops and contributions, he salutes the on-going of the CLGE Students' meeting and CLGE Students' Contest. The most amazing European Space Expo demonstrates how good the cooperation between CLGE and the European bodies has developed, and everything is covered by the appropriate classic media as well as modern social media. The GA applauds.



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President Jean-Yves Pirlot thanks Henning Elmstroem for his comments, and the delegates for their commitment during these long working sessions. He then closes this very fruitful meeting, the first GA of the election period 2012 – 2014.

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Michelle Camilleri
Secretary General

A handwritten signature in blue ink, featuring a large oval shape at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jean-Yves Pirlot
President

Enclosures: Financial files (Accounts 2012, revised Budget 2013)
Revised Guidelines for General Assemblies
Revised Internal Rules