

We have only ten years left to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals. We need to address the global challenges to create a sustainable planet in a smart way. A way that requires integrated approaches for land & water management.

The International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) organises the FIG Working Week 2020 in Amsterdam. The meeting will be multidisciplinary, welcoming over 1000 participants from around the world. It is the platform for smart surveyors to evaluate their actual and future role in achieving the SDG's.

The FIG Working Week will facilitate the exchange of knowledge and technical expertise in Integrated Land & Water Management. It will do so to address the impacts of climate change, mobility and rapid urban growth, unplanned development and environmental degradation. The Netherlands has a long history of dealing with the challenges of building and managing a densely populated coastal country, with a land area nearly half of which is below sea level.

In Amsterdam, the smart surveyor stands at centre stage. The focus is on smart sensing technologies and new spatial data processing technologies. The digital transformation and new challenges affect professional standards and practice. They also affect surveying education, require innovative teaching approaches and lifelong learning solutions. This Working Week is an opportunity to join forces and bring us closer to achieving the SDG's.

So save the date!