



Steering Committee Meeting

8 October 2006, 0830 - 0930, and 13 October 2006, 0830-1030 - Munich - Germany

1. Present –
Matt, Mikael, Rudolf and Rob. Apologises – Naser, Georgia, Dan and Cyril 8 October 2006 ;
Matt, Mikael, Rudolf, Rob, Georgia, and Andrew. Aplogises – Naser, Dan, Cyril 13 October
2006.
2. Agenda confirmed.
3. Action items from previous Steering Committee minutes – Refer to Action Items spreadsheet.
 - ACTION Matt – IAG / FIG background paper to be re-drafted and circulated
4. Commission 5 Report - refer to report in the General Assembly Minutes.
5. No comments on the proposed 2007-10 Work plan have been received however see Open
Commission meeting notes. Potential core working group members are Rudolf, Matt, Georgia,
Mikael, Rob, Dorota, Volker, Andrew, Dave Zilkoski, Dave Martin.

Possible Chairs are as follows –

WG5.1 Dave Martin

WG5.2 Mikael

WG5.3 Naser / Andrew

WG5.4 Volker / Georgia

JWG with Comm 6 – Laser Scanning Rudolf

Admin - Rob

Regarding the JWG for Vertical Reference frame for Hydrography – the Steering Committee
prefers to continue involvement via joint sessions at Working Weeks / conferences. The Steering
Committee are to note the developments by IAG on this topic. ACTION – Matt / Rudolf to discuss
with Comm 4 Chair in Bratislava, also JWG with Comm 6.

- ACTION Matt to contact Dan to find out status of the “Low Cost Tech...” publication so that
the Steering Committee can determine this projects future. Possible new working group Chair
Mike Barry from South Africa.
 - ACTION Rudolf – to contact Dave Martin and Dorota.
 - ACTION WG Chairs - review members of their working group, update contact details,
identify and articulate projects, update details on the website and send information to Rob and
FIG Office.
6. ACCO and Council Report
 - Both Councils are in ‘caretaker’ mode till new office bearers are confirmed.

- An ACCO meeting in Bratislava has been proposed for 8-9 February 2007 for new ACCO members. Purpose of this meeting is to finalise work plans and be ready for Working Week in Hong Kong.
- At ACCO it was discussed that Commissions consider producing quality publications to promote and articulate the outcomes of the work plan and the projects. There is about \$10-20k in the budget for such publications.
- In ACCO there was general discussion on FIG Governance Structure and comments to be forwarded to Ken Allred.
- Markku advised that the proposed location for November 2007 Regional Conference is Costa Rica.
- In ACCO there was general discussion on – Commissions consider creating joint working groups; Hong Kong Working Week; and General Assembly proceedings.

7. FIG Liaisons update and future ;

- Matt to continue as UN OOSA liaison officer. It has been proposed that Mikael / Georgia liaise with IAG, Dorota – ION (GNSS component).
- Matt to work with Markku on ‘Magellan GPS’ to become a FIG Corporate Member.
- Matt has sent a draft Co-operative Agreement to ION for consideration. ACTION Matt to circulate this document to Steering Committee.
- Possible new liaisons – ISPRS, US NGS (NOOA)
- AFREF – report from Ghana distributed to relevant organisations. ACTION Rudolf to continue with this project and ask Ruth Neilan to provide an update.

8. Commission Website

- ACTION WG Chairs – to review / update their websites and use the format of the Reference Frame in Practice website as a template.
- ACTION Mikael – to email ‘CanSpace’ and IGS of the new Reference Frame in Practice website.

9. Munich work program

- ACTION All – to take note of any highlight papers, especially those written by young professionals
- ACTION Rudolf – to note any relevant issues arising out of IAG / FIG forum and incorporate them into 2007-10 Work Plan
- Possible outcomes / actions from RTK CORs Providers / Users forum – a publication outlining the role of FIG as the facilitator of a ‘RTK CORS Providers Group’

10. Hong Kong Working Week, May 2007.

- ACTION Rudolf / Matt - to get in contact with Esmond Mok to note any Comm 5 issues / hot topics in the region
- ACTION Steering Committee to consider holding another RTK CORs Providers / Users Forum in Hong Kong to follow up any issues resulting from Munich and to also use this forum to engage our countries in the region ie China, India etc active in GNSS activities.
- ACTION All – to update and then contact the National delegates or other contacts in the Asia Pacific region and ask them to organise / solicit papers from their respective member associations and to support the Hong Kong Working Week. ACTION – Rob and Rudolf to draft a letter for this purpose.

11. Quality of Comm 5 technical papers at the Congress was generally a lower standard than previous events and there were many presenters who “did not show”. ACTION Rudolf / Matt to address at ACCO level (review Munich program and issues) and ALL to engage National Delegates and other to source quality papers.
12. Next meeting Hong Kong Working Week, May 2007.