



FIG Young Surveyors Working Group 1.2

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The FIG Young Surveyors (YS) Working Group is a joint working group of FIG Commission 1 (Professional Standards and Practice) and FIG Commission 2 (Professional Education). The creation of this working group comes at a time when many member organizations are facing difficulties to attract young people to the profession of surveying and its purpose is to create new opportunities for young surveyors to communicate and network with peers from around the world. The specific goals of the working group are to:

- Promote the benefits of participating in FIG events to young surveyors;
- Attract young surveyors with fun activities that allow delegates to build useful networks;
- Support and pursue funding and sponsorship opportunities that allow young surveyors to attend FIG events;
- Involve young surveyors in FIG events; and
- Encourage young surveyors to submit technical papers for presentation at FIG events.

In November 2007, Young Surveyors Working Group 1.2 organized a workshop on "The Role of Young Surveyors in Society" in Cairo, Egypt. The workshop was sponsored by the FIG Foundation, FIG Council, and FIG Commission 1, and its purpose was to discuss fundamental strategies and develop a master plan for the future of the working group.

Following the workshop, a multinational committee of the Young Surveyor Working Group met for three days in Giza, the city of pharaohs.



Members of Young Surveyors FIG Working Group 1.2 meet in Cairo, Egypt

During the different sessions, the committee evaluated the group's work and developed a working plan for 2008.

During the discussions, the focus was on the needs, demands, and standards of young professionals and students in surveying programs. Better communication was identified as a priority at the top of the list. To communicate better with young surveyors, the YS Working Group decided to invigorate its newsletter, develop a more interactive website, and improve the documentation and promotion of future activities aimed at young surveyors.

The committee emphasized the need to encourage as many young surveyors as possible to get involved in hosting networking and mentoring programs, and to encourage their employers to promote such involvement.

The Young Surveyors Working Group is coordinated by a board composed of

active students and young professional surveyors. Board members come from a variety of countries, cultures, experiences, and backgrounds. They would like to hear from you if you have any comments, problems, or would simply like to know how you can become more involved!

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