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The Challenges That Lie Ahead

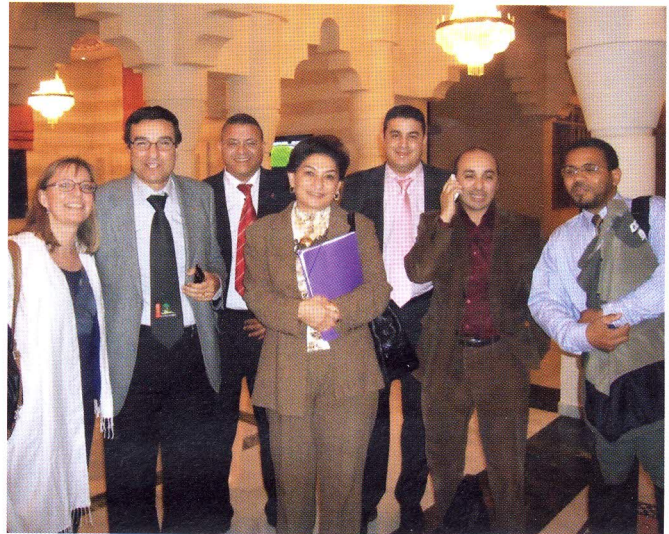
'Engaging the Challenge: Enhancing the Relevance' is the FIG motto for the next four years. During the term 2011- 2014, FIG will work on extending the progress, achievements and global standing of the profession, enhancing its significance and relevance, and extending its usefulness to humankind for the betterment of society, environment and economy. It is important to recognise that the Federation has distinguished itself and gained deserved global recognition, in no small part due to its culture of unselfish contribution.

DIVERSITY IS STRENGTH

It is recognised within the Federation's global surveying community that strength lies in diversity of culture and language. This not only gives breadth and depth to the Federation's work, but also richness in results, as all come together to journey with one mission and one vision. The Federation will continue to play a significant role in facing global challenges through its partnership with UN agencies such as UN-Habitat, UN FAO, UN-OOSA, and the World Bank, as well as with sister and allied organisations. In facing such challenges the profession, through our knowledge, standards and competence, can provide confidence, clarity and certainty, and can be part of the solution.

FOR ONE AND ALL

The Council, through its various activities, aims to engage and encourage the wider membership, particularly member associations, to enhance the role and relevance of the profession within its jurisdiction and to work towards sustainable futures. The Council also recognises its responsibility to all surveyors,



A FIG delegation chaired by vice-president Dalal Alnaggar visited Marrakech in January, where members met the local organising committee under leadership of ONIGT president Aziz Hilali.

including those from jurisdictions not yet represented by any member association. Last but not least, Council recognises that, at the onset of its term in office, we are in an era of austerity brought on by global economic and financial uncertainties that directly affect the Federation's membership. Its administration and finances must thus be underpinned by fiscal prudence and restraint.

NEW INITIATIVES

The Council has established a new Task Force on Surveyors and Climate Change. To engage young professionals, FIG is also initiating a Young Surveyors' Conference, to be held for the first time 2012 back to back with FIG Working Week. Already on the cards is a special forum for academic members in Marrakech, in addition to the Director General Forum and Corporate Members' Forum.

STAYING ENGAGED

FIG Council recognises that the

profession must continue to enhance the profession's relevance in these challenging times, with a strategy that engages with the challenges. The Council's Working Plan will be subjected to discussion and approval by the General Assembly meeting of the Federation during FIG Working Week in Marrakech, Morocco, from 18th to 22nd May 2011. This Working Week will feature the most comprehensive technical programme ever, with more than ninety technical sessions and forums, as well as the biggest ever exhibition. An event not to be missed!

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