

## FIG President Stig Enemark visits Israel, 17-21 September 2007



FIG President **Stig Enemark** at the Survey of Israel with Director General **Haim Srebro** (left) and **Joseph Kraus** (right), President of the Israel Association of Licensed Surveyors.

FIG President **Stig Enemark** visited the Israel Association of Licensed Surveyors and the Survey of Israel in September 2007 to discuss and agree on the arrangements around the FIG Working Week 2009 in Eilat at the Red Sea. The program included meetings with the President of the Israel Association Mr. **Joseph Kraus** and his council, as well an official visit to the Survey of Israel hosted by Director General **Haim Srebro**, and with participation of Deputy Director Ggeneral **Joseph Ferrai**, Head of Department **Yoav Tal** – who are engaged in the FIG WW 2009 organizing committee. The visit also included presentations and discussions around the well developed surveying program at the Technion Institute of Technology.

A visit to Jerusalem included a meeting with the Minister of Construction & Housing Mr. **Zeev Boim**, to explain the global role of the surveyors and to confirm the support of the Minister for the forthcoming FIG event in 2009. A further visit to Eilat at the Red Sea was arranged to inspect the conference site and its facilities.

The visit was very encouraging in terms of confirming the commitment of our Israeli colleagues for hosting the FIG WW in May 2009. There is no doubt that the location of the conference at the very borderline of the Red Sea will provide an excellent venue. And there is no doubt that the Israeli Association will provide a highly professional and very interesting conference.

Visiting Israel gave the impression of a stable situation in a country with a high level of economic and land development, and where tourism is flourishing. Locating the conference at the Red Sea will also ensure that all precautions are made to ensure a pleasant and safe environment. The FIG WW 2009 will be a great experience.



Dinner with member of the Council of the Israeli Association of Chartered Surveyors.



Overview of Old Jerusalem with Temple Mosque in the foreground.



View of the Red Sea from the conference facility in Eilat.