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SUMMARY OF COMMISSION ACTIVITY REGARDING STANDARDS

Commission	1 – Professional Standards and Practice
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	None directly; Publication 29 (Business Matters for Professionals) may be of some passing relevance to standardisation bodies as they develop activities in management
2002-06 plans for	C1 has 4 WGs:
material	• 1.1 – Standards Network
	 1.2 – professional practice and organisational structures – developing Publication 29 and reviewing legal and structural processes – might be of passing relevance – might also interpret relevant standards
	• 1.3 – IT matters – might interpret some relevant standards (but mainly focussed on C1 website etc)
	• 1.4 – project management – best practice guidance planned, and case studies – passing relevance
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	C1 is a general commission so has no direct links with technical standards. ISO 9000 is most relevant, and will link with continuing commission work on good practice in quality management. No direct links with standardisation bodies.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	As above
Additional comments	The key area where C1 can be involved with standards (apart from the Standards Network) is likely to be ensuring that professionals are aware of general (management) standards – these should therefore be covered in the work of WG1.2
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Commission	2 – Professional Education
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	Main item is Mutual Recognition, which has links to ISO TC211 work on the qualification and certification of personnel
2002-06 plans for material	WG 2.3 on mutual recognition is relevant, and links with ISO TC211. The current stage of ISO/TC211's work on qualification and certification of personnel is complete. At this stage, they do not have any concrete plans for further action, but are instead keeping the situation under review and seeing how the recommendations of TR19122 are taken forward. A Round Table (and possible 'declaration') on Mutual Recognition is being organised for the FIG Regional Conference in Jakarta in October 2004.
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	As above
Relevant current standards to promote	ISO TC211 standards, in particular the Technical Report 19122 on the qualification and certification of personnel

and explain	
Additional comments	Commission 2 does not seem to have particularly strong links with standards issues.
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Commission	3 – Spatial Information Management
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	Publications 30 (The Nairobi Statement on Spatial Information for Sustainable Development, 2002) and 31 (Land Information Management for Sustainable Development of Cities) highlight the importance of global standards.
2002-06 plans for	C3 has 4 WGs:
material	• 3.1: <i>e-Government and e-Citizen</i> – deals with SIM and LBS in an e-Government context.
	• 3.2: <i>SIM infrastructure</i> – Standards Network on international (ISO/TC 211, OpenGIS Consortium, etc.) and on regional level.
	• 3.3: <i>State of the art of SIM</i> – worldwide analysis and best practice of institutional structures as well as data.
	• 3.4: <i>Knowledge Transfer in SIM (education, training)</i> – Joint Commissions 2 and 3 WG on education and training.
	In addition there is an Inter-Commission activity (Commissions 3 and 5 led by 3): <i>"Mobile society and Location based services (LBS)"</i>
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	In the working plan 2002-2006 C3 is involved with the ISO 19100 series standards (standards developed by ISO/TC 211). There are direct links with standardisation bodies. Since 1995 Dr. Raisa Iakovleva, a member of WG 3.2 from Russian Federation, participates in work of ISO/TC211.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	With regards to the topic <i>Mobile society and Location based services</i> ISO 19132, 19133 and 19134 are a matter of special interest. So also is 19136 on GML.
Additional comments	There is an increasing need for standardisation of geographic information and services. ISO/TC 211 and OGC meet this need and increase the availability, access, integration, and sharing of spatial information. There is a continuing need to prioritise standards and their impacts to FIG members.
Completed by	Martin Scheu
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Commission	4 – Hydrography
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	Nothing specific; the ongoing links between Commission 4 and the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO) are relevant for international hydrographic standards
2002-06 plans for material	The key link of C4 relevant to standards is that with the IHO. C4 has recently led the strengthening of the FIG/ IHO relationship into a formal Memorandum of Understanding. IHO is a Liaison member of

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	ISO TC211, providing linkages into the standardisation arena.
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	C4 is also a member of the International Advisory Board on Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	 A number of international hydrographic standards exist, including some ISO standards. It is important that FIG is aware of the relevant documentation, something which requires ongoing input from C4. International Standards which are of relevance to hydrography are: ISO 19115 Metadata profiles – IHO reports that the next edition of the IHO Standard for Digital Hydrographic Data (S-57) will be based on 19115.
	 ISO 19130- Sensor and data models for imagery and gridded data. According to the IHO, work on the first draft section for hydrography could not be completed. Commission 4, in conjunction with other relevant Commissions, will attempt to progress standardisation in this area ISO 19111/19127, in particular with reference to vertical reference frames
Additional comments	There is a lack of standards for describing the vessel/ sensor reference frame, with different manufacturers using different conventions. The International Marine Contractors Association (IMCA) have published standards on multibeam surveys. C4 is currently reviewing means of progressing this issue, including possibly through ISO 19130. The issue of certification for hydrographic surveyors is also being advanced in various parts of the world; Commission 4 will maintain a watching brief on progress.
Completed by	Andrew Leyzack/ Iain Greenway
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Commission	5 – Positioning and Measurement
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	C5 is directly related to standards. ISO TC 172 SC6 – Geodetic and surveying instruments – defined in 2001 the new ISO 17123 – Field procedures for testing geodetic and surveying instruments.
	Several workshops, seminars and publications, eg. "quality management for geodetic measurements" Seminar from DVW, November 2001, Fulda. Seminar in Malta, September 2000, Seminar in Gävle, Sweden, March 1999
2002-06 plans for material	 C5 has 3 WGs: WG 5.1 – Standards, Quality Assurance and Calibration WG 5.2 – Reference Frame in Practice WG 5.3 – Integrated Positioning, Navigation and Mapping Systems
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	WG 5.1 has a direct relation to standards, especially all standards in relation to the measurement(s) and the quality of the measurements. Several members of the WG 5.1 are members of their national standardisation group and some also members of the International ISO-group. ISO TC172 SC6 is particularly relevant to C5, with Hans

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	Heister having recently been appointed as FIG lead to this work.
	Some elements of TC211 are also relevant, including 19130 on sensor orientation, and 19111/19127/6709 on coordinate reference systems and positions.
	WG 5.2 and 5.3 are not in direct relationship to standards
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	The new set of standards ISO 17123 – field procedures for testing geodetic and surveying equipment – will be explained and promoted (publications, workshops, seminars). The document of most current relevance is that on GPS, which is at an early development stage in ISO. Commission 5 will become actively involved in this work in an attempt to ensure that it meets the needs of practitioners.
	Comm 5 has also provided an expert to the TC211 work to update ISO 6709 on how to quote positions, and to ISO 19130 on sensors (this latter work could also be relevant to various other Commissions and a review will take place in the near future to ensure that FIG covers all relevant areas in its comments).
Additional comments	Comm 5 has advanced the idea of developing Fact Sheets for relevant standards, something which might extend to other Commissions also, and which the Commission will attempt to progress in TC172 SC6.
Completed by	Rudolf Staiger
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Commission	6 – Engineering Surveys
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	FIG Publication 25 on Models and Terminology for the Analysis of Geodetic Monitoring Observations is of some relevance to standards issues.
2002-06 plans for	The relevant working groups are:
material	• 6.1 – Deformation Measurement and Analysis
	• 6.2 – Engineering Surveys for Industry and Research
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	ISO is not specifically working in either of these areas at present, but we need to investigate what possible proposals FIG could make in this regard. There are however a number of national and regional standards covering these areas. There are also some older ISO standards covering setting out and construction.
	ISO 19130 (see Commission 5 above) may also have relevance to Commission 6.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	There are no particular ISO standards that FIG is aware of, but we believe that some industrial standards may have impacts.
Additional comments	In May 2003, Comm 6 set up a group to collect relevant information about standards. They had planned to distribute a questionnaire in the autumn of 2003 and prepare a report on their work for the Athens Working Week in May 2004. This timetable has been delayed because of difficulties in getting people involved in the work.
Completed by	Aloiz Kopacik
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Commission	7 – Cadastre and Land Management
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	The 1998-2002 work of WG7.1 on Cadastre 2014 and benchmarking cadastral systems are relevant best practice publications. The Bathurst declaration and Statement on the Cadastre have already been shared with ISO, which has decided that the Statement is not of itself appropriate material for standardisation.
2002-06 plans for material	One very interesting area is the basic contents of a Digital Cadastral Database (DCDB). For instance, "What are the common elements in all cadastral systems?" and "Which should be the basic elements in a DCDB to operate as a key element of a national or global spatial data infrastructure?" This definition of basic elements that should be found in each DCDB can be helpful for easier land transactions on an international level (e.g. European Union, Americas) as well for planning processes on a national or international level.
	The description of these basic elements will be carried out by using the ISO standard modelling language, UML. The use of UML will enable data base specialists all over the world to understand what we want. It is not necessary to define the basic contents of a DCDB as a standard itself but we think it helps different jurisdictions to design or re-design their cadastral systems by using this work as a good practice guide. Working Group 7.3 plans to publish the results as good practice guidelines via Internet or/and a booklet.
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	ISO TC 211 is interested in a co-operation with FIG in this field by testing the ISO 19100 series of standards in practice and some activities inside OGC show as well the need for a special cadastre interest group working on a cadastral domain model. This work is being progressed by Christiaan Lemmen, working closely with WG7.3 and OGC. A second workshop on the subject is being planned for late 2004/ early 2005.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	As above
Additional comments	OGC has launched a Property and Land Initiative which links closely to the planned FIG work; links will be built as appropriate but the group does not currently seem to be active.
Completed by	Winfried Hawerk
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Commission	8 – Spatial Planning and Development
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	None that we are aware of
2002-06 plans for	WGs for 2002-06 are as follows:
material	 8.1 – Urban regeneration
	• 8.2 – Public private partnerships
	• 8.3 – Global urbanisation process in large cities

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	• 8.4 – Disaster Management
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	These are areas not covered by current ISO work. However, they appear to be areas where the documenting of best practice is appropriate, and should be explored by FIG to see how/ whether standards are appropriate.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	See above
Additional comments	The new Commission chair is attempting to find a suitable Commission representative for the Network.
Completed by	Iain Greenway (with input from Diane Dumashie)
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Commission	9 – Valuation and the Management of Real Estate
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	None that have been identified
2002-06 plans for material	 Relevant WGs are as follows: 9.1 – Education of valuation professionals in FIG 9.3 – Valuation for taxation and statutory compensation
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	The key standardisation body in this area is IVSC. Links between FIG and IVSC were strengthened at the 2002 Washington Congress. IVSC has now created a 'Standards Board' which allows membership from a range of organisations and Commission 9 is considering how best to build further links with IVSC. Activation of the arrangement with IVSC, with an appropriate representative attending the biannual meetings of the IVSC Standards Board, is seen as an important next step. The IVSC work is a vital part of developing international accountancy standards.
Relevant current standards to promote and explain	See above
Additional comments	
Completed by	Brian Waldy
Date	31 May 2004

Commission	10 – Construction Economics and Management
1998-02 material of relevance for inputting	None
2002-06 plans for material	WG 10.4 on Standards, research and development in cost management, quantity surveying, cost engineering and project management is relevant. This links with WG 1.4. Work is also in hand on measurement standards, supported by RICS.
Relevant current standardisation activity and current links with it	There is no formal standardisation work in this area, but it appears to be one in which the documenting and spread of best practice would be most useful.

Relevant current standards to promote and explain	
Additional comments	ICEC are also active in this area and we need to maintain links with them.
Completed by	Iain Greenway (with input from Phil Shearer)
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FIG and ISO (updated 12 April 2004)

FIG is a Class A Liaison member of:

- ISO TC172 SC6 and TC59 SC 4 (which work jointly) Geodetic and Survey Instruments
- ISO TC211 Geographic Information

Liaison with TC172/ TC59 is coordinated by Hans Heister, and C5 is currently putting relevant links to experts in place, particularly in the area of GPS.

Liaison with TC211 is coordinated by Iain Greenway. The following FIG experts are in place:

- 6709 Tomas Soler
- 19101-2 vacant
- 19115-2 vacant
- 19126 Iain Greenway
- 19129 Naser El-Sheimy
- 19130 Naser El-Sheimy
- 19132 Martin Scheu
- 19134 Martin Scheu
- 19136 Larry Hothem
- 19137 Iain Greenway
- 19138 Iain Greenway
- 19139 vacant
- 19140 Iain Greenway

ISPRS input (Ian Dowman – June 2002):

ISPRS is a liaison member of several ISO committees and has a commitment to supporting efforts to establish standards for data format and transfer. ISPRS also supports efforts for interoperability and data transfer through the Open GIS Consortium (OGC). In order to implement this support, explicit reference to ISO and OGC is made within the terms of reference of the following Working Groups:

WG I/1: Define standards for sensor parameters

- WG II/2: Systems for SAR and Lidar processing
- WG II/4: Image data standards
- WG IV/2: Federated databases and interoperability
- WG VII/6: Monitoring and modelling global change

The most important of these is WG II/4, which has the specific remit to develop image standards. The chair and co-chair of WG II/4 are leading the ISO project 19130 "Sensor and data models for imagery and gridded data". The WG has established links with many other groups working in this area. The progress of the work on the standardisation of the frame camera and of the pushbroom/swath-type of sensors is also good. More work is necessary for the SAR- and LIDAR-systems.

ISPRS currently has liaison status on the following ISO committees.

- ISO/TC 20 'Aircraft and Space Vehicles': ISPRS Representative Prof. S. Morain, President, ISPRS Technical Commission I
- ISO/TC20/SC13 'Space Systems and Information Transfer Systems': ISPRS Representative: Dr M Schroeder, DLR.
- ISO/TC 42 'Photography': ISPRS representative Prof. S. Morain, President, ISPRS Technical Commission I
- ISO/TC172/SC9 'Electro optical systems': ISPRS representative Prof. S. Morain, President, ISPRS Technical Commission I
- ISO TC/211 'Geographic Information/Geomatics': ISPRS representative Dr C. Armenakis, President Commission I

Ryosuke Shibasaki, co-chair of WG IV/7, has been working for the Work Item 14 "Quality Evaluation Procedures" (QEP) as a project team leader (project No. 19114). Ryosuke is also a team member of the 'Data Product Specifications Project.

ISPRS is also making input to **ISO Project 19122** 'Geographic Information/Geomatics: qualifications and certification of personnel'.