



The role of land surveyors in the maintenance of Cadastre

Objectives and guidance for break-out session discussions



The workshop objectives

- to overview levels of responsibilities of land surveyors in maintenance of cadastre
- to understand legal and organizational frameworks within which land surveyors operate (are they licensed or not, are they in private or public sector, is their 'code of practice' and associated legislation, etc)
- to draw a list of common characteristics and trends in national regulations that shall be followed regarding to activities of land surveyors;
- to share best practice on public – public, public – private collaboration
- to review an impact of new EU regulations (Directive on the recognition of professional qualification, proposal for directive on services in the internal market, etc



Guidance for break out discussion

GROUP ONE

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- Common characteristics in national models
- Responsibilities of land surveyor (definitions)

GROUP TWO

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- Issues in regard to land surveyors activities
- Challenges toward EU regulations



Common characteristics in national models

- Personal surveyor's responsibilities – licenses for individuals
- Public or private
- Qualification requirements: education + practice
- Compulsory insurance for professional activities
- Surveyor's activities are stipulated rather in Surveyor's Law or in Law on Geodesy, Cartography or Real Estate Cadastre
- Coordinating structures: Chamber of Surveyors or an Association



Responsibilities of land surveyor

- Technical: to execute cadastral measurements
- Validation: legally act on behalf of the State (like notaries)
- Expertise: authority to control “technical surveyors”
- Valuation of property
- Preparation of territorial planning documents
- Lawyer: defines rights for land use
- Mediation: mediate in disputes between land owners



Issues in regard to land surveyors activities

- Granting licenses and accreditation
- Qualification
- Supervision and control
- Smooth cadastral files registration process to the Cadastre
- Indemnity against to loss to third parties
- Weak public- private collaboration



Challenges toward EU regulations

- Regulated activity vs liberal / monopoly or competition?
- Requirements to be consistent to the professional activities. Have we a common definition of surveyor's profession?
- Definition of coordinated body of land surveyors
- Are we ready to open the surveyor's market (or part of it) to foreigners?