

Report of Working Group 3 (Cadastre) Meeting at Brunei Darussalam

18th April 2002

Sixteen persons from five countries (Australia, Brunei, China, Iran, and Malaysia) attended the meeting.

Following is the agenda for the WG3 meeting:

1. Opening and Welcome address by Professor Ian Williamson (WG3 Chair)
2. Confirmation of Agenda of the WG3 meeting
3. Overview of 3-year Work Plan (2002-2004)
 - Explain broad objectives – Cadastral Template and Marine Cadastre
 - Explain work plan
 - Template Workshop
 - Marine Workshop
 - Discussion on Cadastral Template
 - Develop the broad objectives for the template
 - Discuss and identify countries to be involved in the Task Force
 - Discuss broad data components of template
4. Discussion, ideas and suggestions
5. The way forward
6. Conclusion and Recommendations back to POGIAP

Ian Williamson, Chair of WG3, opened the meeting by presenting an overview of the 3-year Work Plan of WG3 and the strategy to run this Working Group. As part of his presentation, he identified the points that needed to be discussed and the decisions to be made during the meeting. He discussed the role of the Chair and Vice Chair as well as the research coordination role of Abbas Rajabifard through the Centre for SDI and Land Administration in the University of Melbourne, Australia.

The Chair outlined the progress of the Working Group since the Penang workshop.

He also tabled and discussed a draft letter which had been prepared for circulation through the PCGIAP-Secretariat to 55 countries to identify a contact person from each member country from a land administration or cadastral mapping agency to participate in the future activities of the WG.

Several amendments were made to the draft letter prior to approval.

The meeting then discussed the Work Plan for the next three years. The role of the cadastral template was discussed as were the broad components. The WG agreed to adopt the categories within the Land Administration “Tool Box” as the basis for the template.

The items to be included are:

1. Land policy

2. Laws and regulations
3. Land tenure
4. Land administration and cadastre
5. Institutional arrangements
6. Spatial data infrastructures
7. Technology
8. Human resources and capacity building

The meeting noted the importance of making a *generic template* for the cadastre which is appropriate for all member countries.

The WG agreed to establish a Task Force to oversee the development of the cadastral template. Malaysia, Iran and Australia agreed to participate (subsequent discussions confirmed the desire for Korea, India and Brunei Darussalam to also join the Task Force).

The WG also noted the need for the draft template to be presented to a WG3 workshop in early 2003. It left the decision for the location to the Chair and Vice Chair (subsequent discussions confirmed the desirability of running the WG3 workshop in conjunction with the 16th UNRCC-AP in Japan in June, 2003).

The key outcomes from the WG meeting are included in the two appended resolutions. The draft letter to member countries requesting their involvement (together with a brief background document on the mission and objectives of the WG) is also attached.

Ian Williamson
Chair WG3
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