



Mediterranean Union of Surveyors Executive Board **meeting**

Monday 25 January 2016, Ordre des géomètres-experts – Paris (France)

Participants :

France : *MM. Jean-François Dalbin, Luc Lanoy, and Mrs Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt ;*

Italy : *Mrs Maria Grazia Scorza ;*

Lebanon : *Mr Antoine Mansour ;*

Morocco: *MM. Aziz Hilali, Khalid Yousfi ;*

Algeria : *Mr Sidhoum Sebti ;*

Apologized :

Egypt : *Mrs Dalal Sobhi Alnaggar ;*

Tunisia : *Mr. Abdelaziz Nbiba.*

Guest

Turkey : *Mr. Orhan Ercan*

Agenda:

- 1. Activity report between April and December 2015**
- 2. Approval of the general report of the UMG 1st international congress**
- 3. Preparation of the 2016 general assembly**
- 4. Adoption of the 2016 action plan**
- 5. Adhesion of new members**
- 6. Other issues**

President HILALI thanks the president of the French order of licensed surveyors, Mr Jean-François DALBIN, to host the meeting of the executive Board meeting in his offices in Paris.

President Hilali pays tribute to the participation of Turkey, represented by Mr Orhan ERCAN, president of the chamber of surveyors in Turkey, as observer. The chamber of surveyors of Turkey is a professional body structured with general assemblies, an executive board with 7 members and technical commissions.

Turkey counts 500 000 engineers and architects, including 15 000 surveyors registered to the chamber and who are exercising the profession as self-employed people.

1. General report between April and December 2015

President Hilali reminds all the important events to which the UMG took part between April and December 2015 as follows:

- 17 - 18 April 2015: UMG 1st international congress in Marrakesh (Morocco) on the theme: «Vector of dialogue and sustainable development ».
- 12 May 2015: Approval in Rabat (Morocco) by the local organizing committee of the UMG 1st international congress general report.
- 4 September 2015: Signature in Barcelona (Spain) of a protocol partnership framework with the Union for the Mediterranean (UPM). On this occasion, the UPM general secretary claimed his willingness to support all the UMG actions. A meeting took place in parallel with the representative of the Mediterranean trade chamber to take part in the Medaweek in November.
- 11 September 2015: Participation in Rabat (Morocco) to a study day organized by ONIGT (Morocco), on the theme : « Amendment of the law organizing the legal expertise ».
- 03 - 06 October 2015: Participation in Sharm El Cheikh (Egypt) to the works of the Regional conference of the Arab Union of Surveyors (AUS), on the theme : « The role of surveyors in development ». The UMG president met the FIG president on this occasion and the UMG reaffirmed its support to the AUS. A meeting was also organized in parallel with the vice-president of the order of surveyors in Jordan. This country is important for the UMG as Jordan is currently presiding the UPM. Elections were organized the week before; an official application for membership can be sent to Jordan.
- 22 - 24 October 2015: Participation in Rabat (Morocco), as international partner, to the works of the ONIGT 7th national congress on the theme : « land policies at the service of sectorial strategies ». Meeting with FIG Commission 7 who wants to study the possibility to organize a common event with the UMG. Meeting also with the president of the Turkish chamber of surveyors Orhan Ercan.
- 25 - 27 November 2015: Participation in Barcelona (Spain), as signatory body of the Barcelona declaration 20+20, in the Mediterranean week of the economic leaders (Medaweek 2015).
- 26 November 2015: Participation in Barcelona (Spain), as partner, to the UPM activities celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Barcelona Process.
- 23 - 25 November 2015: Moral support to FGF for the organization of FGF development universities in Cotonou (Benin). Participation of Antoine Mansour as UMG vice-president.

As regards the membership fees, the president reminds the executive board members of 10 000 euros of arrears.

The executive board members unanimously congratulated the president for the work undertaken during the period April-December 2015.

2. Approval of the general report of the UMG 1st international congress

The director of the UMG 1st international congress, Khalid Yousfi, presented to the Executive Board members a very complete power point on the general report of the congress.

As a reminder, the congress was dedicated to the theme « **Mediterranean coastline : vector of dialogue and sustainable development** ». It took place in Marrakesh 17 and 18 April 2015, with the support of the Moroccan government, under the high patronage of His Majesty the King Mohammed VI.

The congress gathered 450 participants, including 80 people coming from abroad. The participation of the Moroccan Minister of the Environment and the Moroccan Minister of Housing, the representatives of the Mediterranean parliamentary assembly (APM) and the Union for the Mediterranean (UPM) are also worth mentioning.

The congress is a real success also from a financial point of view with a positive net profit of 1154,07 euros, and represents a best example for the UMG.

The executive board members unanimously adopted the general report of the UMG 1st international congress.

3. Preparation of the 2016 general assembly

President Hilali suggested the date 26 May 2016 in Beirut (Lebanon). Due to the member countries constraints, it is decided to hold the next UMG general assembly in parallel to the 3rd international congress of the order of surveyors and topographers of Lebanon which will take place **6, 7 and 8 September 2016** in the Hilton Habtoor hotel of Beirut and which will be dedicated to the theme « **Agricultural areas planning – the surveyor within decentralization and sustainable development** ». The congress will be equipped with simultaneous translation : English, French and Arab.

The executive board members unanimously decided to organize the 2016 UMG general assembly Wednesday 7 September 2016 in Beirut (Lebanon), in parallel to the 3rd international congress of the order of surveyors and topographers of Lebanon.

4. Adoption of the action plan for the year 2016

Beside the projects which shall be pursued over the year 2016 (updating of the UMG website, signature of the partnership convention with APM, membership of new members, creation of a data base to elaborate a survey on the profession,...), the UMG president suggests three major actions :

- An action regarding training with the organization of spring universities on the theme « Consistency Training/Job » and the setting up of a Mediterranean network of schools and universities for surveyors
- Setting up of a portal for the coastline and the sea
- The creation of the Mediterranean network of private surveyors offices

President Hilali suggests to organize :

- The 1st action in parallel to the UMG 2016 GA
- The 2nd action in parallel to OGE's congress which will take place in Nancy in June 2016
- The 3rd action in Barcelona during the week of the ASCAM economic leaders in November 2016

Considering the imperatives of the member states, the executive board members decide to focus their efforts on two actions : training and the network of surveyors from the private sector.

The executive board members unanimously decided to organize two workshops on the themes : training and the network of surveyors from the private sector in parallel to the UMG GA in Beirut 7 September 2016.

5. Adhesion of new members

President Hilali reminds the contacts which were taken with the Mediterranean countries which are not UMG members: Greece, Malta, Cyprus, Croatia, Palestine, Jordan, Turkey.

The executive board members unanimously decided to end the membership formalities for these countries.

6. Other issues

The president presented the form intended for the UMG members.

After discussion, it was suggested to add the name of the president in every order/chamber in addition to the name of the person responsible for international matters.

The executive board members unanimously decided to adopt the form and to send it to all the members to be filled in.

President
Aziz Hilali

General Secretary
Luc Lanoy