



XXVIII FIG CONGRESS
The Future We Want – The SDGs and Beyond
24–29 MAY 2026
Cape Town, South Africa



FIG CONGRESS 2026 - TENTATIVE DRAFT PROGRAMME PER 30 JANUARY 2026
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

SATURDAY 23 MAY

All pre-events take place in hotels nearby
Young Surveyors Conference
Esri pre-event (or Sunday)
RFIP workshop
Land Value and Cadaster
Real Estate Price Effects

SUNDAY 24 MAY

Auditorium 1	
9:00-9:30	FIG General Assembly
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10:00-10:30	
10:30-11:00	Break
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11:30-12:00	FIG General Assembly
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Young Surveyors Conference will be held in nearby hotel

FREE EVENING

MONDAY 25 MAY												
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11:00-11:15	PLENARY SESSION 1 Strategic leadership that advocates sustainable policies that implement resilient actions											
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14:00-14:15	TF09: TF SDG1: The Future We Want – Call to Action I: Advocate & Innovate (panel discussion)	C9-01: Transparency in the Real Estate Markets - The Use of AI needs good Data	TF08: TF Evolutionary Diversity and Inclusion 5: Innovating with purpose - Inclusive data, AI and the role of diversity in the geospatial sector	Meetings	PartS04: Joint World Bank/FIC session: Land and Conflict	FIG01: Newcomers session - welcome to FIG and the FIG Congress 2026	C8-02: Geospatial Intelligence and Governance in Spatial Planning Decision-Making	CT-02 Commercial Talk CHC Navigation: Converging Technologies: Towards Accessible 3D Data Capture for	C6-1: Modern sensor technologies and analysis methods for deformation monitoring	C5-1: Multi-Purpose Positioning Infrastructure for Sustainable Land Administration and Development across Africa - Greater than the Sum of their	Poster Session	
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16:00-16:15	C7-1: Framework for Effective Land Administration (FELA)	NW07: Young Surveyors Network 3 - Geospatial Startups: Youth Entrepreneurs - Building Sustainable Futures	NW01: FIG Standards Meeting	Meetings	CM04: FIG Platinum Corporate Member Session - Bentley	FIG02: FIG Member Association Forum including Forum of Regional Bodies	C2-1: Innovations in Professional Education	CT-01 Commercial Talk Esri: AI and GIS: Taking the Mystery Out of Today's Technology for Land Administration	PartS01: UN-Habitat-GLTN + C9 - Valuation of Unregistered Land	C3-2: Land Administration, Cadastre and SDIs for Inclusive Development		
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TUESDAY 26 MAY																									
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11:00-11:15	SS03: LOC Special Session 1 on Land Administration	TF10: TF SDG2: The future we want - Call to Action II / Collaborate & Deliver beyond 2030 (panel discussion)	C4-3: Enhancing Flood Resilience in the Face of a Changing Climate	FIG07: FIG Foundation meeting (by invitation only)	LUNCH 12:30 - 14:00 in Exhibition Area	SS01: Joint FIG-ISPRS session - GeoAI and Geo-analytics for Sustainable Land and Inclusive Places	PartS08: Joint UN- FAO/FIG session 1	CT-03 Commercial Talk Leica: Driving sustainable progress: when transformative innovation meets expertise	Fre01: French session 1	C5-5: Education, Training and Capacity Building: Updates from around the World															
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14:00-14:15	C5-2: Reference Frames and Dynamic Datums across Land and Sea to support our Changing Planet	C9-02: Land extraction, fair compensation and transparency of the valuation process	C1-1: Business of Surveying & Mapping	Meetings	C8-03: Unlocking Hidden Values: Valuing Non-Market Benefits to Shape Sustainable Places and Settlements	SS05: C2+C7 Reimagining Land Administration Education: Towards Conceptualising a Core Body of Knowledge 1	TF01: TF Climate compass: Surveying for climate resilience and sustainable development: latest practical innovations	CT-06 Commercial Talk Trimble: Surveying the future: A framework for business model innovation in the land surveying industry	Fre02: French session 2	C7-2: Fit for Purpose Land Administration (FFPLA)	Poster Session														
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14:00-14:15	C5-4: An Analog Earth in Digital Models: Capturing the World Around Us	C8-01: Geospatial Innovations towards managing Disasters, Land Degradation, and Climate Change	His01: History of Surveying session 1 - Surveyor History in South Africa	FIG08: Forum of Regional Bodies (FoRB)	C10-02: Smart and innovative solutions for the built environment	FIG04: FIG Director	PartS03: UN-Habitat-GLTN + FIG Africa Regional Network - Fit-for-Purpose Land Administration	CT-05 Commercial Talk Hi-Target: Efficient One-Person Engineering Surveying with a Vision-Enhanced Robotic Total Station	NW03: FIG Regional Capacity development meeting Africa Regional Network (ARN)	Poster Session													
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THURSDAY 28 MAY											
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<i>At Southern Sun Cullinan: 7:30 - 8:45 FIG Presidents meeting</i>											
09:00-09:15	PLenary Session 4										
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		Farewell reception and welcome to FIG Working Week 2027 in Stavanger Norway