

Wednesday October 12th 17.00,
Bureau Meeting members of UNECE WPLA

Note: Agenda Items in Italic.

Item 1: Opening and Adoption of the agenda

- 1. The meeting will be opened by the Chair of the WPLA Bureau.*
- 2. The Chair will introduce the annotated agenda for the meeting.*
- 3. Bureau members will be invited to review and adopt the agenda*

Item 2: Outcome of the 72nd session of CHLM

The Secretariat will inform about the outcome of the 72nd session of CHLM.

The Bureau members may wish to take note of the information and provide comments accordingly.

Item 3: WPLA outlook for 2012-2013

The Secretariat and the Chair will give a short statement on the outcome of the seventh session and summarize the core activities that have been defined as part of the PoW for the next cycle.

The Secretariat will inform the Bureau members about the current status of the review of the UNECE.

Bureau members will be invited to reflect on the previous work cycle, including the seventh session and provide their feedback and possible lessons learned. The Bureau members may wish to take note of the information regarding the EXCOM review and provide comments accordingly.

Discussions:

Silke: (informing about the outcomes of the 72nd CHLM session).
She mentioned the take over of Gulnara Roll.

Damir: Talked about the presentations that he had: report on our work, outcomes from the 72nd session. Next 5 years, based on the renewed terms of reference we will work on this.

Silke: EXCOM, 10% cut of the overall budget. Each Subprogramme will have to give presentations on the impacts.

Damir: I think we will have the support that we will need on the influence:
For example, Russia based on the study on Fraud, they are building their info system.

?:Should land administration be a part of the CP work?

Yes, land administration should be a part of the work.

Pia: We would like to receive the EXCOM presentations. That would help us to explain why I am involved in this work.

Damir: REM will not report anymore. HUMAN does not exist anymore. They were the advisory group top the Committee. Members of the HUMAN are asked to join the REM Group. REM was reporting to us. One person was coming..?? WPLA and REM Group(!)

In my opinion, we need strong support from the secretariat for our work. For this purpose to have enough **staff** to support pur work.

Silke: Two staff, Ariel Ivenia(WPLA); Jakob Grubka (CP Studies). 2 more admin staff: Cecil Batac(Info management), Evelina(Admin secretary)

Damir(concluding): I agree on our support for the need for staff.

Item 4: Information on the workshop “Land Administration in a Networked Society” to be

held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, on 13 and 14 October 2011

The Bureau member from the Netherlands will update the Bureau on the organization of the workshop, including on any possible pending questions and/or concerns.

The Bureau members may wish to take note of the information and provide comments accordingly.

Item 5: Review of work in progress

Information will be provided and decisions taken on the following Programme of Work elements:

(a) Land administration policies

-Announcement of the WPLA workshop on "How can land registration authorities support recovery in the global property market and the wider economy?": The Bureau member of United Kingdom will update the Bureau on preparations for the workshop to be held on 11 and 12 October, 2012 in London.

-The Bureau member of Sweden will introduce the proposal to organize a WPLA workshop in 2013 on 'identification rules for registration purposes' as was announced at the seventh session.

The Bureau is invited to approve the event in the United Kingdom as well as discuss the structure of sessions and to provide suggestions for speakers. The Bureau may wish to take note of information provided on proposed workshop in Sweden and provide comments accordingly.

Discussions:

Call with Ms. Chryssy Potsiou (Greece):

Proposal by Greece to organize the FIG conference in Greece

- Low cost as possible,
- It has to be in Athens, university is interested to offer a room. We can arrange transportation to the university(10 mins),
- hotel 80 euro single, 90 euro double room, 4 star, they might also offer a free conference room,
- we might have some sponsors, and then we can think about something better.

1-Legalization is the first step to deal with informal development.

2-New tools to identify the Informal Development. Property market, we have to have secure tenure. We have to make it secure for the mortgages, harmonize with the legislation. We need to make sure people pay back their loans. We need to find tools for affordable housing. Law.

Pamir: Cost of cadastre (Everything has to be cheaper).

Chryssy: FIG already created a **task force**:

- a) (one related to) Climate Change,
- b) Property markets and need for affordable housing,

What would the contribution of WPLA be at the conference? The participants can bring information on the progress, share if they have new ideas on the (Property market) new tools. We discussed with Campagioni. He expressed some ideas on affordable housing. We have to have low price on land. Try to find new tools to make it affordable for private sector but also provide affordable housing.

Rik: In the Netherlands, under a law, private sector is on favour of cheap land. To collect some ideas from contributors.....

PROPOSAL but Rik or Chryssy??: We want to prepare a publication that will be a joint publication by UNECE WPLA and FIG/

Damir(agree): Jullio(!) meeting ended up in the Self Made Cities publication. I don't see any problem with that and will speak about this with the Secretariat.

Chryssy: we have established a task force that can contribute to the task force. But more people should contribute from the WPLA.

Silke(agree): Self Made Cities had a great demand, great success. They ask the Secretariat if there will be a follow up publication. Secretariat will be in support for a second or follow up publication.

Chryssy: **(on content)** we can see broadly, US, Africa etc., could be useful for countries outside the ECE. **Date:** Better in the end of 2012. We want to finish the publication by the end of 2015. Better to make in November 2012, to do the questionnaire, to come to some concrete publication.

Damir(agree): We said 2013. We will discuss in further. I am in favour to have a follow up on Self Made Cities,

(call ends)

Damir: Many mistakes happen because of misunderstanding of the law. All real property stopped.

My opinion, **we can contribute with experts from the regions.**

What is your opinion?

Rik: good to share best practices. In the NL we set up the scheme in the 30s and 40s. We did social housing under the private sector. It would be good to make a contribution by presentation.

Land administration aspects of the process, we should work on. Without stepping into the work of 'Housing'. Affordable housing is the main focus of the Committee on Housing and Land Management. At Sugio(!??) Housing and WPLA were together.

Julie(agree): I agree it could be an interesting work. EU struggles with mass migration, Greece struggled with refugees. Huge amounts of lost money. A guy in Antalya conference covered these points.

On the left side of Damir(?): We could invite UN HABITAT, they work on.... In the ECE region there are very good practices. We could use this as a stepping stone for international cooperation.

Julie: we come together to share the 'global' problems. We are all suffering from the same problems in the property owning world. International cooperation is important.

...October London, November Greece proposed...

Rik: we can use our network to attract interesting people who can explain...

Damir: Should we invite the Committee? (we are working under the Committee). Social housing is a work of REM Group. How can we contribute but **who else** can contribute?

Damir(drawing conclusions): We are willing to participate in the workshop. It should be at the end of 2012, maybe November. Send a message to REM and Bureau on Committee on Housing and Land Management.

Julie: We can have two UN conferences (One October London?)

Silke: there are 2 workshops on table. I prefer to have it in spring. I wouldn't like to argue against that. It should be possible.

Damir: Is it upto us... October London?

Silke: Will we be able to fund the speakers, two workshops one after the other?

Julie: There isn't a risk of overlap, the content of the conferences are different than each other.

Pia: Minsk and Baku. The participation was lower. It is possible to get the funding.

Damir(concluding): We need to discuss the dates. Committee for FIG and our message t inviting experts and REM Group to the workshop

Wed notes #3:

Julie(about hosting the workshop): responsibility switched from Ministry of Justice to Department of Business and Skills

We submitted the proposal to Minister. Malcolm(?) will give his opinion. Malcolm is confident that the proposal will pass. We can talk to Malcolm tomorrow.

Damir: For the moment we don't have a workshop in spring. My proposal is to **have a Bureau meeting in Croatia**. but I don't have the exact date. My proposal is end of May, beginning of June. Bureau, also Task Force for benchmarking should be there and 1 or 2 members of the Secretariat. We normally have the Bureau members one day before the workshops, and we don't have enough time to discuss.

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The name: Regional Cooperation on Land Administration

Pia: 30th of May-1st of June we are having the Cadastre meeting with the EU

Elshad: I invite you to Baku by the end of May. First Baku then Croatia.

Pia: FIG on Rome 6th of May?

(!)Silke: Ukraine?

Damir: Moldova workshop after two steps in CP and Land Review. We don't want to have it before.

Silke: Good to have it when study tour has taken place and after the CP.

Rik(!): Having regular workshops every half a year June 2012 Moldova?

Damir: They can not prepare themselves.

Rik: If they say they are ready.. When xxx(angela???) spoke, it sounded like that

Julie: You are right There was an offer from Moldova during the 72nd Session..

Silke: It was wage

Elshad: It would be interesting to organize before CP. Xxx is a strong person(??)

Damir: Workshop should be combined with CP.

Silke: We have CP for Ukraine... Final steps have been carried out. March 2012. It was only officially approved last week(72nd CHLM). Study should be in the second half of the next year. **CVs of eligible experts are welcomed for the study tour.**

Damir: My opinion for Moldova, we should have at least 3 experts participating (for CP).

On Moldova workshop: My opinion it is best to combine it with the results of the land administration review.

Programme:end of 2012-→ FIG
2013→ Sweden(not defined spring?)
Then Moldova(but not defined date)

And my opinion: Ukraine (but again to combine with the findings of CP and Land Administration)

John O'Sullivan(on online survey):

Damir: task force will prepare the questionnaire with examples and will be available online.

Silke: Is there any downside of online survey?

John: They will also have the option to have access to the printed version. No problems related to security.

