

NEWSLETTER: LAND MANAGEMENT AND LAND TENURE

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NEW!: NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRE OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND LAND TENURE

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- The Center of Land Tenure and Land Management calls for the participation of the audience in the development of its Newsletter!
- Congratulation Class of 2006!
- October 2006: Summer School at the Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure.

We are very pleased for inform our audience that we have recently created the Newsletter of the Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure!

Through this newsletter, our main goal is to stay in touch with our alumni, in order to strengthen and extend the networking among us, as well as to build new networks or cooperations. Along with this, our newsletter intends, firstly, to provide our audience with specialized information on the various fields linked to the management of land so as to inform and generate discussions which may help us all in our scientific development; and secondly, to inform other organizations and individuals about us, that is, about the

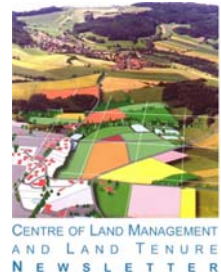
Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure and our alumni.

The newsletter is therefore published by the Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure, but developed in cooperation with any member of the audience who may be interested in providing us, and the rest of the audience, with valuable information on services, projects, findings and personal experiences. It is thus extremely important at this point to cordially invite you all, to actively participate in the development of our newsletter. Please do feel free to contact us at any time!

For the time being, our plan is to publish the newsletter quarterly, so as to be able to keep

continuity and, at the same time, give our audience enough time to provide us with any kind of feedback.

Hence the invitation stays open to all of you, who wish to participate, inform the audience on land-related issues, projects or new findings, market your land-related products and/or services, or just provide us with your opinions or comments.



The official logo of the Newsletter of the Centre for Land Management and Land Tenure.

MASTER'S PROGRAM LAND MANAGEMENT AND LAND TENURE: GRADUATION CEREMONY 2006

One and a half years have passed and another class has graduated at the Center of Land Management and Land Tenure.

The 14 students, coming from 11 different countries, received their Master of Science (M.Sc.) degree during the ceremony that took place on March 29th 2006. To all of you, CONGRATULATIONS!



Prof. Dr. Magel receives a World Cup's official Bavarian football from Dr. Fischer (Bavarian State Chancellery)

All the pictures as well as further documentation on speeches is available at the

Program's homepage (<http://www.landmanagement-master.de>)



The Class of 2006

PRESIDENT'S AWARD 2006

The President's Award is granted each year to outstanding students who have attained the best academic results in their respective classes.

During the Graduation Ceremony 2006, the Chilean student Jorge Espinoza Santander was honored by

the President's Award 2006.

Mr. Espinoza is a forest engineer by profession and has considerable experience in the field of Land Management, particularly in the subject of Spatial Planning.

His Master's Thesis, titled "The Effects of Land Privatization on People's Livelihoods, Case Study of the Mapuche in Chile" represents a significant contribution to the discussions on the topic of land privatization and its relationship with people's welfare, specially in those situations involving indigenous people.

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TUM's Vice President Dr. Keidel hands out the award.

ALUMNI CONTACT BOOKLET

The Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure offers, since 2001, the Master's Program Land Management and Land Tenure.

Four Classes, with 51 students in total, have completed this program.

It is a priority of the Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure to build an international network on the fields of Land Management, Land Policy, and the like, which allows for quick and effective exchange of knowledge and which provides the

basis for cooperation among German and other international agencies and companies or organizations such as GTZ, World Bank, FAO and UN-Habitat, just to name a few.

Therefore, contact information on every member of the Alumni, as well as their current occupation, is currently being collected.

The main purpose of the Alumni Contact Booklet is thus to strengthen the networks we are all inserted in.

The booklet will be handed

out in the near future not only to the Alumni themselves, but also to a number of organizations which are linked to the field of Land Management.



The official logo of the Alumni Contact Booklet of the Centre for Land Management and Land Tenure.

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SUMMER SCHOOL 2006

The Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure intends to stay in touch with its Alumni and with other members of the "land management community".

Therefore we would like to let you know that we are currently organizing a Summer School to be held in Munich in October, from the 8th till the 21st, and which will be linked to the XXIII FIG International Congress

(Munich, 8th - 13th of October 2006).

The purpose of this Summer School is to bring together our Alumni and a number of members of German and international organizations (public and private), and, through this, to strengthen the existent networks and build up new ones as well.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD),

through The Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure, will provide financing for 20 members of our Alumni.

Further information (applications, registration, etc.) will be provided in due time. For the time being, let us extend our invitation to all of you who may be interested in participating in this initiative.



Munich's Frauenkirche and Neues Rathaus

NEWS FROM: TURKEY ISTANBUL SEISMIC RISK MITIGATION AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROJECT (ISMEP)

The Government of Turkey and the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) have agreed upon a loan to implement the Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and Emergency Preparedness Project (ISMEP) which aims to improve the city of Istanbul's preparedness for a potential earthquake while enhancing the institutional and technical capacity for disaster management and emergency response, strengthening critical public facilities for earthquake resistance and supporting measures for better enforcement of building codes and land use plans. Project implementation started as of February 1, 2006 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2010.

Yelda Kirbay (Turkey, Alumni class of 2004) is presently working as a "Planning and Code Enforcement Expert" in

this project and, thus, our team has contacted her so as to be able to provide our audience with information on the issues this project addresses.

The Project consists of: (A) Enhancement of the effectiveness and capacity of provincial and municipal public safety organizations in Istanbul to prepare for, respond to, and recover from significant emergencies, those arising from earthquakes; carrying out public awareness campaigns on development of individual/family basic disaster awareness and preventive culture, and also strengthening local response capacity; (B) Seismic risk mitigation for priority public facilities to ensure their functioning and to reduce casualties in the event of earthquake through retrofitting of hospitals, schools and other priority public facilities; (C) Enforcement of building codes made in imple-

mentation of land use plans to strengthen the institutional and technical capacity of the Metropolitan Municipality and selected district municipalities.

Semih Caliskan (Turkey, Alumni class of 2006) has also been involved in the field of natural disaster management. In her master's thesis (Assessment of Earthquake Vulnerability Indicators through Remote Sensing in Istanbul) she developed a methodology to derive vulnerability indicators from remote sensing in case of an earthquake, and to implement them in a GIS environment for vulnerability assessment and analysis, as a decision support system for disaster management. Her thesis is available at the library of the Centre of Land Management and Land Tenure.

The project is financed by a World Bank loan and implemented through the Istanbul Special Provincial Administration.

NEWS FROM: BANGLADESH TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL BANGLADESH

Taufique Mohiuddin (Bangladesh, Alumni class of 2005) works as Programme Officer (Civic Engagement) at Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB). Our team has recently been in contact with him with the objective of finding out a little bit about his work at this organization.

Transparency International Bangladesh is an independent, non-government, non-partisan and non-profit organization with a vision of Bangladesh in which government, politics,

business, civil society and the daily lives of the citizens shall be free from corruption. TIB's mission is to catalyze and strengthen a participatory social movement to develop institutions, laws and practices for combating corruption in Bangladesh and establishing an efficient and transparent system of governance, politics and businesses.

TIB's research, dissemination, campaign and advocacy initiatives are oriented towards policy and institutional reforms for

elimination of corruption, and, in so doing, to reduction of poverty and promotion of sustainable development.

As Programme Officer of Civic Engagement Division his tasks are to strengthen the social movements against corruption and promote good governance, accountability and transparency within the civil society from grass root to national level, particularly in the fields of land administration and management, health and education, among others.



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Social Movement Against Corruption

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NEW AND FEATURE TITLES:

MANAGING URBAN FUTURES

Urbanization is one of the most powerful forces influencing global sustainability. It is dominated by three factors: population growth, rural-urban migration and subsequent urban expansion. Perhaps nowhere are these factors more dominant than in developing countries.

This volume brings together leading experts including Alan Gilbert, John Friedmann, Saskia Sassen and Janice Perlman to explore the conflicting challenges of rapid urbanization in developing countries. While all have to contend with key issues such as social segregation, pov-

erty, and loss of governability, the ongoing forces of urban growth vary from country to country. By comparing the challenges of urbanization in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Pacific, this book puts forward a new way of thinking about mega- and million-cities in developing countries – one that promotes their vital function in society as engines of ideas, technologies, societal change, democratic transformation and loci of political will to build a new regime of global sustainability.

With regard to the editors, Marco Keiner is head of the

Sustainability Research Group of the Institute for Spatial and Landscape Planning, Martina Koll-Schretzenmayr is senior researcher in the Network City and Landscape (NSL), and Willy A. Schmid is Professor for Landscape and Environmental Planning, all at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich, Switzerland.

More detailed information may be found at the publisher's homepage (<http://www.ashgate.com>)

