

International Forum

## Property Transaction in the Digital Age

30. September - 1 October 2010 in Mülheim an der Ruhr

### 30 September 2010

- 10.30 h **Welcome Address**  
*Peter Wolfmeyer, ZENIT GmbH, Mülheim an der Ruhr*
- 10.45 h **Service Innovation - Strong Impact on the Economy and Society**  
*Mette Kofoed Quinn, Head of Service Innovation, GD Enterprise and Industry, European Commission, Brussels*
- 11.15 h **Keynote Speech: The Digital Transaction - A Core Procedure of the Economy**  
*Dr.-Ing. Otmar Schuster, GeoHaus, Mülheim an der Ruhr*
- 11.30 h **The Property Cadastre in the Context of Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI)**  
*Dr.-Ing. Jens Riecken, Ministry of the Interior NRW, Düsseldorf*
- 12.00 h **Land Register**  
*Klaus Petermann, Ministry of Justice NRW, Düsseldorf*  
*Dr. Robert Mödl, Federal Chamber of Civil Law Notaries, Cologne*
- 12.30 h Lunch Break / Networking
- 13.30 h **Public Disclosure Requirements and Protection of Trust with Security Rights over Real Property in a European Comparison**  
*Andreas Luckow, Association of German Pfandbrief Banks, Berlin*
- 14.00 h **Cadastre and Land Registration in Europe**  
*Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E. h. Dietmar Grünreich, Head of Federal Agency of Cartography and Geodesy, Frankfurt*
- 14.30 h **A View on German Property Market Transparency**  
*Wendy Thomas (CEO), THOMAS DAILY GmbH, Freiburg im Breisgau*
- 15.00 h Coffee Break / Networking
- 15.30 h **International Situation: A political Need Worldwide**  
*Prof. Dr. mult. Gottfried Konecny, University Hanover*
- 16.00 h **Property Finance Based on Covered Bonds and Sukuk: Requirements in Respect of Legal Certainty of Property Rights**  
*Dr. Peter Follak, Deutsche Pfandbriefbank AG, Unterschleissheim*
- 16.30 h **Geo-Information in Saudi-Arabia**  
*Dr. Muhamad N. Al Rajhi, Deputy Minister for Land and Surveying, Riyadh*
- 17.00 h **Get Together**
- 18.00 h **Transfer to Dinner, Rhine Tower Düsseldorf**

Conveyance and mortgaging of property are increasingly important and complex economic factors. It is a kernel task of the state to protect the owners' rights and to install a framework of transparent legal proceedings in the today's digital age. In this context, digitalisation is of considerable interest. Above all the trading of property can be accelerated through digital services and thus made more cost-efficient, as well as leading to completely new business models.

In North Rhine-Westphalia, three ministries (Interior, Justice, and Economics), civil law notaries and a municipal cadastre office have joined forces in the digitalisation of the entire property transaction process. This process is almost complete. The system is secure and economical thanks to multiplication by the private sector in the shape of banks, solicitors and publicly appointed surveyors.

Nevertheless, all parties involved in the process still face a number of questions. The international symposium "Property Transaction in the Digital Age" organised by the ZENIT network (Netzwerk ZENIT e.V.) offers an opportunity to tackle such questions and to discuss the options for international co-operations. Currently many countries eagerly await high-performance systems. The conference discloses what is needed in order for a solution to be not only secure, but also economically feasible.

## Property Transactions in the Digital Age

1 October 2010

9.30 h Registration and Coffee / Networking

10.00 h **Introduction into the Workshop Sessions**  
*Dr.-Ing. Otmar Schuster, GeoHaus, Mülheim an der Ruhr*

10.15 h **Parallel Workshops**

### **Workshop 1: Security and Efficiency**

*Chair: Willi Zimmermann, Land Policy Advisor, Leipzig*

#### **Statements:**

##### **Major Components of Land Governance Framework**

*Willi Zimmermann, Land Policy Advisor, Leipzig*

##### **Misuse of Online Land Registers**

*Ariel Ivanier, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, UNECE, Geneva*

##### **Geo ICT in Real Estate and Challenges of African Governance**

*Diego Navarra, University of Twente*

##### **Digital Real Property Market Products in Slovenia**

*Dušan Mitrovic, Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia*

##### **Demarcation and Assessment - the Ties to the Plot**

*Dr. Andreas Rose, Public Appointed Surveyor, Cologne*

### **Workshop 2: Replication Strategies**

*Chair: Stefan Gustafsson, European Land Information Service, Gävle/Sweden*

#### **Statements:**

##### **Property in Brazil - Challenge for the Experts**

*Dr. Sylvane Paixao, University Florianopolis, Brazil*

##### **The Need for Smart Land Management Regulation - the Case of Greece**

*Dr. Chryssy Potsiou, Assistant Professor National Technical University of Athens, NTUA, Greece*

##### **Georgia - The Fundament is Settled**

*Dr.-Ing. Gernod Schindler, Geo Consult International, Leipzig*

##### **Cadastre in Addis Abbeba**

*Dr.-Ing. Paul Hartfiel, Hansa Luftbild, Münster*

12.30 h **Property Transactions - The Way Forward**  
*Dr.-Ing. Otmar Schuster, GeoHaus, Mülheim an der Ruhr*  
*Willi Zimmermann, Land Policy Advisor, Leipzig*  
*Stefan Gustafsson, European Land Information Service, Gävle/Sweden*

13.00 h Business Lunch

**Scientific Support: Prof. Dr.-Ing. Theo Kötter, University of Bonn**



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- Yes, I will participate in the international Forum „**Property Transactions in the Digital Age**“ from 30 September to 1 Oktober 2010!  
Participation fee: 200 Euro (including 19 % German VAT).
- Yes, I will participate only in the first day (30 Sept.) of the Forum  
Participation fee: 150 Euro (including 19 % German VAT).
- Yes, I will attend the dinner at Rhine Tower in Düsseldorf (30 Sept., 19.00 h)  
Participation fee: 50 Euro (including 19 % German VAT).

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