

Attendees

Queensland.....	Russell Priebsenow	ICSM Chair
Northern Territory.....	Garry West	
Australia – civilian	Greg Scott	
Australia – civilian	Gary Johnston	
Australia – defence (AHO)	Jasbir Randhawa	(for Rod Nairn)
Australia – defence (DIGO).....	Graham Johnston	
Australian Capital Territory	Bill Hirst	
New South Wales	Doug Kinlyside	(for Paul Harcombe)
New Zealand.....	Don Grant	
South Australia.....	Peter Kentish	
Tasmania	Peter Murphy	
Victoria	David Blain	(for John Gallagher)
Victoria	John Tulloch	
Western Australia.....	Lesley Arnold	

Stakeholder Relations

ANZLIC

Liz Marchant (Executive Director, ANZLIC) spoke to the meeting. She outlined the ANZLIC immediate forward program and discussed possible longer term directions. Current activities include an economic analysis of the cost of public sector information, further developing the concept of an Australian and New Zealand Spatial Information Marketplace and symbology.

OSDM

Ben Searle (General Manager, OSDM) spoke to the meeting. He discussed OSDM activities and initiatives. This included the Metadata Entry Tool, the forthcoming Spatial@Gov conference, growing demand for information about the national gazetteer, points of interest, indigenous localities and spatial industry education.

CRCSI-2

Phil Collier (Assistant Research Director, CRCSI-2) outlined progress during the first 3 months of the operation of CRCSI-2 – the establishment of its core governance, legal and management operations and the formulation of the first suite of research projects.

ICSM Governance

ICSM Chair

Dr Don Grant, Surveyor General of New Zealand, was elected as the Chair of ICSM for 2010-2012.

ICSM Minutes

It was resolved that approved Minutes of future ICSM meetings, including Meeting Summaries, will be released on the public section of the ICSM website.

Points of Interest

ICSM has resolved to establish a sub-Committee which will review current thinking regarding Points of Interest (POI) information and develop strategies for POI data.

Document Change Management

ICSM is finalising formal procedures for managing ICSM documents (defined as ICSM standards, guidelines, policies, protocols and documents) and a formalised document Change Request system. Initially, the Change Request system will be used to manage ePlan implementation. Creative Commons licensing will be adopted for ICSM documents.

ICSM Working Groups

Street Addressing Standard Review (ASIG)

The review of AS/NZS 4819 is progressing well and a consultant has been engaged to assist with preparing a draft standard based on the review. In addition, clarification is being sought from Standards Australia regarding the relationship between this review and one being undertaken by AGIMO on AS/NZS 4590

Geodesy (GTSC)

GTSC continues to be active in many areas. Focus in recent months has been on preparation of papers for the FIG2010 conference. Of particular note is the ongoing deployment of the AuScope GNSS network, development of the national geodetic observation archive held at Geoscience Australia, eGeodesy (Roger Fraser (DSE, Victoria) has recently been working with LINZ to harmonise LandOnline with eGeodesy) and revising SP1 (Special Publication #1 – *Standards and Practices for Control Surveys*).

The Height Modernisation project, which will facilitate accurate height measurement using GPS, continues and is now likely to deliver a new hybrid geoid model by July 2010. Final GPS data analysis is currently being completed as control for the geometric component of the product.

Geoscience Australia (GA) has recently been accredited by the National Measurement Institute as a verifying authority for position under the National Measurement Act. GA has commenced issuing Reg. 13 certificates for position at selected GPS CORS stations.

Topographic Information (PCTI)

The development of the content of the Fundamentals of Mapping web package is complete. The next step is to create an education resource for both teachers and students. Rob Berry from the Australian Geographic Teachers Association (AGTA) has agreed to assist with the work – including testing the draft resource within the AGTA community. PCTI will also approach OSDM regarding meshing this development with current national curriculum initiatives.

Future National Topographic Information Coordination Initiative (NTICI) project agreements are to be established under the National Collaborative Framework (NCF) Head Agreement.

Electronic Lodgement & Transfer of Survey Records (ePlan)

The ePlan standard is being implemented in Qld, NSW and Vic. This involves close engagement with software vendors.

Cadastral Reform (PCCR)

A summary of Jurisdictional cadastral systems has been revised and up-dated. This will form the basis of a web based resource to allow an immediate understanding of the similarities and differences between jurisdictional cadastral systems.

Roads Working Group (RWG)

PSMA is working to adapt the Roads Data Dictionary which the RWG released late-2009 to make it compatible with the ICSM's Harmonised Data Model.

National Elevation Data (ESIG)

The 2008 ICSM Guidelines for acquisition, processing and quality assurance of elevation data are under review. ESIG is preparing draft standard product specifications, RFT templates and quality assurance specifications. ESIG is monitoring and providing feedback on elevation metadata specifications. It is also monitoring data processing, management and distribution being undertaken through the Urban DEM and National Elevation Data Framework (NEDF) data portal projects.

Imagery (ISIG)

Management of this working group has been transferred from WA to NSW. The Terms of Reference and membership have been reviewed – with a stronger focus on its deliverables, and a closer working relationship with ESIG.

Tides and Mean Sea Level (PCTMSL)

The Terms of Reference have been fully revised and simplified to better define the functions of the committee. Some work has been undertaken to audit the holdings of near shore bathymetry data. Work also continues on the capture of GPS heights at tide gauges around Australia for the 'reconciling height datums' project.

Geographic Names (CGNA)

Some members participated in the UNGEGN South East Asia South West Pacific Division meeting held in Sydney before the FIG Congress. The Congress technical session on place names was the first held at an FIG Congress and members' papers were well received.

ICSM members considered the Office of Spatial Data Management's (OSDM) proposal that arrangements be put in place to enable the National Gazetteer to be freely available. No action is to be taken until jurisdictions have been afforded the opportunity to comment.

Also considered was a Gazetteer Position Paper that promoted the concept of gazetteers being a single point of truth for all place names and place names related data enquiries. Apart from a suggested minor revision to the introduction, ICSM endorsed the Paper.

Other ICSM Business

Standards for Location of Underground Services

ICSM will be represented at next week's discussions with Standards Australia regarding a need for an Australian Standard for the Location of Underground Services.

FIG 2010 – Sydney

ICSM made a significant contribution to both the technical program and the trade exhibition. Positive feedback has been received regarding both.

ICSM Next Meeting

The next meeting of ICSM is proposed to be held in Perth in November 2010.