



Nomination Template for Commission Chair Elect 2013-2014

Commission no: 1


Nominee	
Name:	Brian J Coutts
Member association:	New Zealand Institute of Surveyors
Country:	New Zealand
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Age:	64
Degrees and educational background:	MSc, BSc, DipSurv. FNZIS FRICS FRGS MNZIS MNZPI
Employment history - current position - previous	Senior Lecturer/Deputy Head, School of Surveying Employed at School of Surveying for the last 20 years.
Positions of trust - current - previous	President, Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy (2004-07) President, New Zealand Institute of Surveyors (1999-2001) Chair, Cadastral Surveyors Licensing Board of New Zealand (2002-10)
Positions in FIG - current - previous	Chair, Working Group on Voting Rights Vice Chair Commission 1 NZ Commission 1 rep 2005- present NZ Commission 8 rep 1994-2005
Other activities in FIG	Regular NZ delegation leader and presenter of papers.
Field of surveying discipline	Land Surveying
Nominees statement	
Why I want to be a Commission Chair and what I would like to achieve	Commission 1 has not been very active in recent times. I believe it needs to engage better with private practitioners, as well as the government employees and academics that populate it at the moment. It also needs to engage in topical issues wanted by the members, rather than what the Commission officers might see as interests. The challenge is to find out what it is that private practice would like from Commission 1.
What I can offer to FIG in support of the aims and objectives of the Commission	I believe I have a proven record of leadership within the surveying profession in New Zealand and in the international arena through my involvement as President of the Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy.



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My key skills	An analytic approach to problem solving, constitutional and administrative issues and leadership through persuasion, negotiation and consensus.
Any other general comments	

Nominator	
Name of member association	New Zealand Institute of Surveyors
Name and title of contact person	Barry Davidson National Manager
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Nominator's statement	
Why the association wants to nominate Nominee	NZIS is looking at ways to increase its engagement in FIG activities. Supporting the first NZIS member to seek a Commission Chair is a very tangible way to do that. The nominee has excellent credentials and has served NZIS with distinction. We believe the Nominee would do an excellent job leading Commission 1.
Support the association can offer the Nominee (financial and other)	NZIS is prepared to contribute to travel & accommodation costs.
Any other comments	

Signed	
I hereby certify the above is true and correct	
Date	16.12.11
Nominee	Brian J Coutts
Nominator	 Andrew J Stirling President New Zealand Institute of Surveyors