

„Cadastral Maps Network” Meeting

Marburg 22.11.2011. 16.00 – 18.00

Based on the uniform cadastral survey in the Habsburg Monarchy in the 18th – 19th centuries great amounts of documents including cadastral maps have been created. Those documents are preserved in archives and institutions of 12 European countries: Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, and Ukraine.

The uniform character of cadastral documents provides an ideal base for international archival cooperation projects aiming at mass digitization and GIS-based internet-publication of these maps and connected records, also responding to the increasing international interest regarding historical maps and connection of archival data to topographical coordinates using GIS systems.

Creation of a “Cadastral Maps Network” of the interested members of ICARUS was initiated at the ICARUS-Meeting in Poznań, June 2011. Our aim is to build up a framework which can promote effective future cooperation in this field.

Conclusion of the workshop meeting was, that the working programme of 2011/2012 should concentrate on the necessary preparatory phases to draft an international project for standardised mass digitisation and online publication of cadastral documents:

- Systematic collection and assessment of information relating to cadastral documents;
- Creation of an on-line platform to share knowledge and ideas;
- To encourage and facilitate keeping contact between people and institutions who/which are interested;
- Organization of a working group which can work out a project proposal.

The first step is to work out a **Cadastral Map Questionnaire** inquiring the type, quantity, accessibility, physical condition, legal condition and other relevant data of cadastral documents preserved in the archives. The main task of the next meeting in Marburg should be to discuss the draft of this Questionnaire. If we can finalize it as a result of the meeting, all ICARUS members would be kindly asked to fill it out during the next three months.

Agenda

1. Welcome and introduction
2. Presentation of the draft of a Cadastral Map Questionnaire
3. Discussion
4. Presentation of the Cadastral Maps Section of the ICARUS website
5. Other activities
6. Conclusion

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