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Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy

Editorial

First of all I would like to send seasonal greetings to all CASLE members, member associations and colleagues. 2017 has been a good year with a very successful collaborative event in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania in August. Five members of the Management Board and Task Force represented CASLE at the conference and we have reports and photographs later in the newsletter. The conference proceedings are available from the CASLE office and on the CASLE website (www.casle.org). We also include photographs from the Royal Institution of Surveyors of Malaysia (RISM) in respect of their 19th International Congress in Kuala Lumpur in May 2017 and we would welcome news from the other regions for future E-newsletters.

I wish to acknowledge the great support that I have received again this year from members of the CASLE Management Board and Task Force and the Executive Dean and staff at the University of the West of England, without which it would have been difficult to operate.

In collaboration with the Institution of Surveyors of Zambia, we are planning a conference entitled "Developing a sustainable professionalism in surveying and relevant education in the Commonwealth" in Lusaka, Zambia in November 2018. The „Call for Papers“ can be found later in the newsletter and further details are to be confirmed in the New Year.

With very best wishes for the festive season and the New Year!

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CASLE International Conference

„Sustainable Development Goals: a time for innovations and investment in land administration and management‘ - Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – 10th and 11th August 2017

The conference was opened by Mr William Lukuvi, Tanzania Minister of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development, Mr Linus Kinyondo, President of the Tanzanian Institution of Valuers and Estate Agents (TIVEA), Mr Joseph Segun Ajanlekoko, President of CASLE and Mr Martins Chodota, President of the Institution of Surveyors of Tanzania (IST).



From L to R Mr William Lukuvi, Mr Linus Kinyondo, Mr Joseph Ajanlekoko & Mr Martins Chodota

There were approximately 250 delegates in attendance over the two day conference, representing Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The CASLE Management Board was represented by the President, Mr Joseph Olusegun Ajanlekoko, Africa Regional President, Mr James Dadson, West Africa Vice President, Surv Bern Omo Akhigbe, Southern Africa Vice President, Mr Matthew Ngulube and the CASLE Academic Conference Organizer, Dr Patrick Manu. The University of the West of England was represented by Dr Patrick Manu and by Mr Jimmy Ogunnusi.

Members of the Management Board of CASLE were extremely grateful to the Trustees of the Aubrey Barker Fund who sponsored a party of students from Ardhi, Bagomoyo & Dar es Salaam universities. We also acknowledge with thanks sponsorship from ESRI South Africa and from the University of the West of England.

There were 17 papers under the headings of Property & Urban Management, Land Surveying & Management and Construction and we acknowledge with thanks the time and effort put into the Peer Reviewing process by Dr Patrick Manu and members of his committee. **Please see www.casle.org for the conference proceedings.**

The conference would not have been possible without the invaluable assistance of Mr Tryphon Bilauri, Mr Martins Chodota and members of the Institution of Surveyors of Tanzania (IST) and the Tanzanian Institution of Valuers & Estate Agents (TIVEA) for which we owe them a vote of thanks.

Commonwealth group commits to professional development in Africa.

A federation of independent professional societies, The Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy (CASLE) has committed itself to the advancement of the profession of surveying in the Commonwealth and to the enhancement of the skills of surveyors in the management of the natural and built environments.

CASLE President, Mr Joseph Ajanlekoko emphasized this at the body's conference in Tanzania, where he called for the fostering of appropriate standards of education for surveying and land economy and the establishment of appropriate facilities for education and training.

CASLE was established to facilitate the transfer of technology within the Commonwealth and to assist national programmes of continuing professional development (CPD), which are designed to keep surveyors up-to-date, as well as to encourage dialogue between its member societies and national governments, on all matters of national policy, on which the profession is competent to offer informed opinions and advice.

Mr Ajanlekoko said that the conference was an affirmation of the interest that the Management Board of CASLE had, in ensuring that member professional bodies and group and individual associate members are afforded the opportunity to benefit from the expertise and knowledge housed in CASLE, for their professional development, in addition to the many opportunities to network during the two-day conference.



A group photograph taken at the conference

“We will continue to pursue this programme in all Commonwealth regional groupings throughout the tenure of this leadership” the past President of the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (NIQS) said.

The President said that the formation of CASLE had been inspired by the Commonwealth Foundation, with a promise of financial support to aid the development of skills in surveying and land economy and specifically to foster the development of the profession in all Commonwealth countries.

Mr Ajanlekoko said that it was unfortunate therefore that, in 2013, The Commonwealth Foundation had withdrawn core and activity grants from Commonwealth Organisations like CASLE and replaced them with Participatory grants, for projects up to a maximum of three years and which include a small percentage for administrative duties. Commonwealth Organisations have to bid for these grants which, unfortunately, do not fit in well with the kind of activities with which CASLE is associated.

“We now have to find other sources of income in order to implement our programmes of activities. Currently, CASLE derives income from the annual subscriptions of its members and some sponsorship, whilst all of its officers serve in a voluntary capacity”

Mr Ajanlekoko reminded delegates that CASLE had achieved accredited „Special Consultative Status“ with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) and was closely involved in many aspects of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda. He reported that CASLE was a partner of the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) and participated, whenever possible, in UN-Habitat meetings.

CASLE had established its own Land Administration Group, and also taken part in pre-CHOGM events. In implementing the Habitat Agenda, the issues of particular relevance to CASLE are: access to land and legal security of tenure, pro-poor housing and livelihoods; improvement of the enabling framework; sustainable development goals and promotion of partnerships focused on resources, relief of poverty and securing finance for sustainable development.

CASLE was founded in 1969 and currently has member societies in over 30 Commonwealth countries and correspondents in many other countries. The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (NIQS), The Nigerian Institution of Surveyors (NIS), The Nigerian Institute of Estate Surveyors and Valuers (NIESV), The Ghana Institution of Surveyors (GhIS) and several professional surveying bodies in sub-Saharan Africa have been members of CASLE for some years and have made a significant contribution to CASLE.



Students from Ardhi, Bagamoyo and Dar es Salaam Universities supported by the Aubrey Barker Fund & CASLE to attend the conference

The generous sponsorship which was awarded by the Trustees of the Aubrey Barker Fund, enabled Mr Eugene Silayo, Chairman of CASLE Land Administration Group, to arrange transport and accommodation for selected students from Ardhi, Bagamoyo and Dar es Salaam Universities to attend the conference. The equal number of male and female students were selected from the following disciplines:- Land Management and Valuation, Property and Facilities Management, Geomatics, and Geoinformatics.



Students with representatives of CASLE, TIVEA, IST & other professional bodies



Delegates & students with the CASLE President, Joseph Segun Ajanlekoko & CASLE Officers including Mr James Dadson, Surv Bern Omo Akhigbe, Mr Matthew Ngulube, Mr Eugene Silayo, Dr Patrick Manu



Delegates at the UWE stand with Mr Jimmy Ogunnusi

CASLE ASIA Region Malaysia

We received the following photographs from Dato“ Sr Wai Lau Seang, CASLE Asia Region President, who was installed as President of the Royal Institution of Surveyors of Malaysia (RISM) at the 19th International Congress in Kuala Lumpur in May 2017.



The installation of the 57th President of RISM, Dato’ Sr Wai Lau Seang, CASLE President Asia Region at the RISM 19th International Congress on 18th & 19th May 2017.



Members of RISM enjoying the 56th Annual Dinner at the Istana Hotel Kuala Lumpur on 20th May 2017.

Obituary

Clifford Dann MBE, DSc (Hon), FRICS

We are very sad to report that Clifford Dann passed away peacefully on 19th September and that his funeral was held at Holy Cross Church, Uckfield on 10th October. There is to be a thanksgiving service at St Margaret's Church, Westminster, London at 14.30 on Tuesday 10th April 2018, followed by refreshments in the Lecture Hall of RICS Headquarters.*



Clifford, who was a Past President of RICS, began his long association formally with CASLE at the Conference and General Assembly which was held in Harare, Zimbabwe in 1995. He took on the role of Treasurer which he held until 2004 when he was elected CASLE President for Europe Region which he held until 2007.

He was Chairman of the CASLE Land Administration Group (a partner in UN-Habitat's Global Land Tools Network).

He was made an Honorary Fellow of CASLE at the General Assembly in Christchurch, New Zealand in 2007.

He wrote a history of CASLE from 1969 until 1980 which was published in two parts in the CASLE newsletter (issues 35 and 36) both of which are available on the CASLE website www.casle.org

On behalf of CASLE he compiled and wrote much of the first edition of „A Guide to Dispute Resolution“ relating to matters affecting real estate property, and the second edition which was published in 2012. He was a founder member of Arbrix (Chartered Surveyor Arbitrators in England and Wales) and he was also involved in many charitable and professional unpaid activities. He held the posts of:

- Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Survey Review from January 1996 until 2009.
- Chairman of the Trustees of the Aubrey Barker Fund.
- Commission Chairman and a Membre d'Honneur of the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG).

In 1999 he was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Brighton.

Messages of condolence were received from members of CASLE, who knew Clifford from his many and varied interests, and his participation in events in most parts of the Commonwealth, during his long association with CASLE.

**For catering and printing purposes, if you wish to attend the Thanksgiving Service in London on the 10th April 2018 please would you confirm your attendance at memorialdann@btinternet.com*

Commonwealth Summit

London - April 2018

Mr Brian Waldy, Commonwealth Liaison and CASLE Europe President represented CASLE with other members of the Built Environment Professions in the Commonwealth (BEPIC) at the recent Informal Forum of Commonwealth Organisations (IFCO) in Marlborough House, in preparation for the Commonwealth Summit (Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting) in London in April 2018. Mr Clive Harridge from the Commonwealth Association of Planners is working with Mr Peter Oborn from the Commonwealth Association of Architects on a paper entitled „A More **Sustainable** Commonwealth“. Other working group leads include:-

- A **Fairer** Commonwealth - **David Jones**, Commonwealth Organisation for Social Work.
- A More **Prosperous** Commonwealth - **Gemma Freedman**, Commonwealth Trade Union Group.
- A More **Secure** Commonwealth - **David White**, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative.
- **Partnerships** in the Commonwealth - **Lewis Brooks**, Royal Commonwealth Society.

A report from the students of Bagamoyo University

This CASLE Conference 2017 entitled „Sustainable Development Goals: a time for innovations and investments in land Administration and Management“ gave not only students but also other land stakeholders who participated, the opportunity to learn from the theme.

The CASLE conference organizers awarded certificates of attendance to each member who participated in the conference as a sign of appreciation and certification of the participation. The conference appealed to all land stake holders such as surveyors in General Practice, Planners and Development and Geomatics, Quantity Surveyors, Estate Valuers and Valuation Surveyors, Project Managers and it was also of interest to other professionals and students involved in the management of land, property and construction, in many different countries. This led to the coming together of many professionals with different ideas and recommendations (suggestions).

Goals.

As students we obtained knowledge and many ideas from the conference. The presentations enlightened us on how to overcome the challenges in our societies as well as to avoid unnecessary conflicts that may arise in professional practice. For example, land conflicts, collapse of high rise buildings and poor urban settlement management are big issues. The paper presented by Mr. Eugene Silayo concerning land administration (regularization) at Makongo Juu, will help us to use the ideas and knowledge to control the development of urban cities.



CASLE President - Mr Joseph Olusegun Ajanlekoko delivering his keynote address entitled 'Nigeria: Incessant incidence of collapsed buildings – sustainable issues'.

Knowledge gained on the use of professionalism and elimination of corruption will help to consign the collapse of high rise buildings to history in African countries. This will only be possible when professionals use the required material for construction purposes, do not alter the building design, and use skilled manpower to improve construction/building management.

All of these goals will be successful if and only if the professionals in various sectors have the guiding rule that strictly directs them on what to do and not otherwise, and that specific rules and regulation have to be made by themselves to be professional and to have strong and faithful leaders at their boards of registration for the implementation.

The conference papers introduced and explained different uses of standards as well as the new technology that simplify the work in the field, such as Unmanned Aircraft Vehicles (UAVs) and the application of Geographical Information System (GIS) in the field of Land management and Land Administration Development.

Suggestions:

We present the following recommendations:

Extension of the **time frame** of the conference to allow enough time to discuss papers in detail and several issues facing the sector in respect of our professionalism.

- i. **Ongoing communication** between members at the conference so as to share challenges and ideas facing the field after the conference.
- ii. We as students, greatly appreciate the **chance to present** during the conference, concerns in relation to the conference theme so that other professionals will hear what we have learned in respect of our particular profession.
- iii. CASLE should be frontline to **support the innovations** among the professionals by sponsoring what they require for the innovation in their particular profession.
- iv. CASLE should **increase advertising** their on-coming conference so students can be better prepared for the Conference.

Conclusion:

As students from the University of Bagamoyo (Dar es Salaam-Tanzania) in the Faculty of Land Development and Environment, we humbly give much thanks to the Aubrey Barker Fund for sponsorship to attend the conference. We also thank Mr Eugene Silayo for his support and career development, the Institution of Surveyors of Tanzania (IST). The Tanzanian Institution of Valuers and Estate Agents (TIVEA) and The Commonwealth Association of Surveying & Land Economy (CASLE) for accepting and encouraging us to attend the conference and supporting us at the conference. We felt proud and part of it during the conference. Our Special thanks go to Susan Spedding (Mrs), the Secretary General of CASLE. God bless you and thank you again for your support and kindness.



Ms Rachel Sanga, Ms Prisilla Kalaba and Mr Jimmy Frank Kaale

Commonwealth Scholarships Welcome Event for Scholars 2017

Mr Brian Waldy, Europe Region President & Commonwealth Liaison Officer, represented CASLE at the welcome event for scholars at the QEII Centre in London on Friday 17th November 2017. The new CASLE banner was launched and attracted some interest amongst the students. Over 400 students from many Commonwealth countries, studying Agriculture and Forestry, Arts, Medicine, Pure Science, Social Science, Technology or Veterinary Science attended the event during the day.

Forthcoming events

FIG CONGRESS 2018

The International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) Annual Conference 'Embracing our smart world where the continents connect: Enhancing the geospatial maturity of societies' is scheduled to take place from Sunday 6th to Friday 11th May 2018 in Istanbul, Turkey.

CASLE Conference 2018

The CASLE Conference 'Developing a sustainable professionalism in surveying & relevant education in the Commonwealth' is scheduled to take place from Thursday 29th November to Saturday 1st December 2018 in Lusaka, Zambia. Further details to be confirmed.

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**The Institution of Surveyors of Zambia in collaboration with
The Commonwealth Association of Surveying & Land Economy (CASLE)**

CALL FOR PAPERS

&

Expression of Interest

**‘Developing a sustainable professionalism in surveying & relevant education in the
Commonwealth’**

Lusaka, Zambia

29th November – 1st December 2018

Effects of climate change and globalisation.

Sustainability, international factors & the roles of central and local government policies in environmental issues.

Land and marine use, conservation and management.

Disaster management.

Geomatics, measurement and delineation of assets in landed property.

Legislation, rights, tenure, and management of landed property.

National and local industrial, business, and urban development strategies.

Trends and changes affecting land use, extraction and conservation of resources including cultural factors.

The role of public/private investment and subsidies.

Landed property use and investment strategies, valuation and taxation.

Communications and business change, and its effects on landed property values.

Sustainable planning design and construction of developments.

Measurement of existing property, and proposed new developments.

Cost forecasting, and assessment of present and future viability and value of development.

Procurement practices and documentation for construction contracts, cost control of construction projects, and final cost reconciliation.

Arbitration.

Education and training for Surveyors.

Curriculum content and the role of practice in the formation of the Surveyor.

The role of Continuing Professional Development.

This prestigious international conference will be of interest to Surveyors in Construction, General Practice, Planning and Development and Geomatics and also of interest to other professionals and students involved in the management of land, property and construction.

This conference will qualify for CPD. Delegates will be awarded a certificate of attendance.

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