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To CLGE Members, Delegates and European Surveyors,

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We are slowly bringing this year to an end, and as always, we analyse how it was and we make plans for the next one.

The year 2022 brought relief in terms of the fight against Covid-19, but it did not allow us to relax and return to the situation before the pandemic years.

Recently, the term "black swan" has become popular, which describes the occurrence of an unpredictable event with serious and far-reaching consequences. A flock of black swans has arrived!

Fortunately, we have already learned to do business in unforeseen conditions, such conditions have become normal, and long-term stability seems like a thing of the past.

Adapting to the new conditions this year, we managed to organize our most important meetings live, the general assemblies gathered an above-average number of delegates, and the elections for the new Executive Board were successfully held at the assembly in Seville.

Throughout the 2022, we tried to be present at national, European and even global gatherings, presenting our programme and projects to important stakeholders, but – no less important – to our ultimate members, the European surveyors.

This year we held a successful conference "Blue Surveying" related to the theme of the year with a large number of highly respected lecturers and moderators. We reached important conclusions that will be implemented by a specific working group.

We are especially proud the CLGE Young Surveyors' Contest 2022 was a great success with a record number of entries and a grand closing ceremony, during the INTERGEO exhibition in Essen.

Work has begun on our important project – EGSAct or European Geodetic Surveyors' Act - which should unite all our knowledge about the European geodesy and give birth to CLGE's vision of the European geodetic surveyor of the future. I am sure that together with all of you, we can show Europe how important our profession is. We can succeed in making our stakeholders realise our potential and how we can contribute to the development of the European society.



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I think that Europe's potential is far from being used in any segment of our communities, including in our profession. We have major problems and inequalities in the organisation of the profession, the number of professionals and our areas of activity throughout Europe. We have gathered the knowledge of what it looks like at the moment, now it is time to start synergies which will overcome and optimise the observed differences and ensure the sustainable development of geodesy in Europe.

CLGE, as a European Council, must promote European projects and solutions for the benefit of our entire profession and strengthen the position of the individual - the European surveyor.

Allow me, in the name of the CLGE Executive Board and staff, to wish all of you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2023.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'V. Krupa', is positioned above the printed name.

Vladimir Krupa
CLGE President