

Mobile Mapping Resolve Property Claims



Forty-nine Ashtech MobileMapper 6 GPS/GIS field terminals have been purchased by two key Republic of Kosovo agencies, the Kosovo Property Agency (KPA) and the Kosovo Cadastre Agency (KCA), to map property boundaries to help resolve private property claims. While the KPA is specialised in solving property and juridical conflicts, the KCA on the other hand needs to collect GIS attributes associated with meter-accuracy positions for the local cadastral offices.

Following Serbian occupation more than 20,000 property claims requiring legal confirmation have been filed by returning war refugees. The restoration of legal rights and physical possession of properties is an essential form of redress to promote more stable

economic development and better conditions for Kosovo citizens.

The KPA is the main authority for properties in Kosovo and is mandated to receive, register and help resolve private property claims resulting from the armed conflict that occurred between February 1998 and June 1999. With offices in 30 townships in Kosovo, the KCA is the highest authority when it comes to surveying, cadastre and mapping in Kosovo.

Lorenzo & Co, the Ashtech dealer headquartered in Triana, Albania, working with its partner, N.p.t Geokos in Pristina, sold, delivered and trained KPA and KSA personnel to use the MobileMapper 6 handheld receivers. According to a spokesperson for Lorenzo & Co, the Ashtech units were selected by the Kosovo agencies for their easy-to-use mobile mapping software, integrated camera, excellent price to performance ratio, and Lorenzo & Co's good on-site product-training support.