Solutions for Increasing Legal Credibility of Property Boundary

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SUMMARY

Accepting new land and proprietary laws in the 1990s and using new surveying technologies resulting in precise interpretation of new parcel boundaries, have brought problems with the legal interpretation of the old boundaries originally plotted only on old paper cadastral maps.

The paper aims to show which information on parcel boundaries is recorded in the cadastral information system and how this information is displayed for the public. Registered information relating to parcel boundaries and the public display of accuracy and legal credibility of property boundaries have an impact both on property owners ordering cadastral measurements and land surveyors providing these cadastral services.

The paper mentions solutions for increasing legal credibility of property boundaries and at the same time for ensuring reliable and legally binding records in the cadastral information system concerning the above mentioned boundaries. An agreement on the course of a property boundary between neighbouring owners is outlined as one of the possible solutions. In some cases two sets of coordinates – model coordinates and field coordinates – could be a solution as well.