



WE, the participants of the **FIG/UN-GGIM-AP Technical Sessions on Global Geodetic Reference Frame** at the XXV FIG Congress on 19th June 2014, having met in the context to share knowledge, promote understanding and to enhance cooperation for the sustainability and enhancement of the Global Geodetic Reference Frame, hereby issue the:

UN-GGIM-AP/FIG Statement on Global Geodetic Reference Frame

Recognising the growing need for an accurate and stable Global Geodetic Reference Frame to support, *inter alia*, earth observation, including sea level and climate change monitoring, natural hazard and disaster management and a wide range of other activities in public and private sectors throughout the World, contributing towards inclusive social progress, environmental sustainability and economic development,

Noticing the decision adopted by the Committee of Experts on UN-GGIM at its third session in Cambridge in July 2013, on taking actions to facilitate the submission of a resolution on Global Geodetic Reference Frame to be tabled at the 2013-14 session of the UN General Assembly and to establish a Working Group to develop the conceptual note and draft text of a UN General Assembly resolution,

Noticing further that the draft resolution is planned to be discussed at the fourth session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management in New York on 6 – 8 August 2014,

Reaffirming the collective commitment of UN-GGIM-AP and FIG to support the implementation of an accurate and stable geodetic reference frame being crucially important to a wide range of activities in all territories of the World, at land and at sea,

Urges member states and their representatives within UN-GGIM-AP together with all member states and their representatives at the fourth session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management, to support the approval of a draft resolution on Global Geodetic Reference Frame for Sustainable Development, and to submit to the 2013-14 session of the UN General Assembly for final adoption

Urges FIG member associations and all other membership groups of FIG, to take appropriate initiatives to inform and encourage the representatives of their respective countries to the fourth session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management, to support the approval of the draft resolution on Global Geodetic Reference Frame for Sustainable Development and its submission to the UN General Assembly.

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