Implementation Guide

Working Group on Legal and Policy Frameworks for Geospatial Information
The United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

Part I – Strategic overarching framework – was adopted by the Committee of Experts at its eighth session in August 2018,

Committee requested the implementation guide be prepared and presented to the Committee at its ninth session.

- Anchored by the nine strategic pathways of the Framework
Implementation Guide

- **Key Elements:**
  - Force of law
    - laws,
    - regulations,
    - treaties and
    - Agreements
  - Informal
    - policies, best practices, norms, and standards.

- **Strengths and weaknesses of each**
Key Legal and Policy Issues

- Governance
- Accountability
- Intellectual Property Rights
- Data Protection/Privacy
- Data Quality/Liability
- National Security
- Platform/Industry Specific Regulations
- Licensing/Data Sharing
Gap Analysis

- How the various critical aspects are addressed in the current legal and policy framework as compared to a framework that within the nation.
  - Maximize the utility of geospatial information while still providing adequate protection against potential risks.

- Taking into account:
  - Differences in legal systems between nations
  - Cultural and historic aspects of the rule of law.
How to future proof” a legal and policy framework for geospatial information.

Need for such a framework to be adaptive:

- Given technological advancements in the collection, use, analysis, storage and distribution of geospatial information
- The accompanying legal and policy issues that will arise.