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Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data (for discussion and decision)

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| <i>Statement provided by:</i> Centre for Spatial Law and Policy | |
| <i>Statement:</i> The Centre notes and welcomes the report and the background document on legal and policy frameworks presented to the Committee. The global pandemic has highlighted the critical role of geoinformation in a crisis and the associated legal and policy challenges in sharing information between relevant stakeholders (government agencies, industry, universities, NGO's and the public). Strengthening legal and policy frameworks are a cost-effective way to maximize the value of geoinformation while also protecting against risks. The Working Group is playing an important role in enabling legal and policy frameworks to support geospatial information management across the globe and the Centre encourages greater participation from the global legal community. The Centre also supports the changing the name of the Working Group so as to better align with the IGIF. | |
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