## **Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management**

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## Statement:

Australia welcomes the progress report on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.

Australia's states, territories and federal government, along with New Zealand, have worked closely over the last 10 years to develop and implement the Australia New Zealand Foundation Spatial Data Framework, or FSDF. Member States will be aware was one of the bases for the development of the IGIF.

As I outlined at the High Level Forum in April, the Spatial Information Council for Australia and New Zealand, or ANZLIC, has outlined in its four-year Strategic Plan the intention to modernize the FSDF. The modernization initiative will start with the adoption of the physical infrastructure, buildings and settlements, population, and geology themes of the IGIF. We will focus efforts to make our national fundamental geospatial information much easier to assemble, easy to find, and easy to use by anyone, anywhere. Efforts will also be made to make our fundamental geospatial information model our nation in 3D and 4D, to aid infrastructure planning and more easily monitor change through time.

Australia is happy to share our learnings with other Member States, and we are keen to adopt best practice from other Member States who have also begun their IGIF journey.

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