

Stronger. Together.

The United Nations Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence (UN-GGCE) vision is a future where all countries have strong political support for geodesy which enables them to – together – implement the General Assembly Resolution 69/266 ‘A Global Geodetic Reference Frame for Sustainable Development’, and accelerate the achievements of the Sustainable Development Goals to derive social, environmental and economic benefits.

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UN-GGCE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Huge interest to become UN-GGCE partner

More than 20 institutions from 13 countries are valued partners of the United Nations Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence. The UN-GGCE Partnership program was announced six months ago and is already a great success.



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SVALBARD, NORWAY: The Norwegian Mapping Authority's Geodetic Earth Observatory in Ny-Ålesund.

The partners include Member State government agencies, universities and science organizations who contribute to the global geodesy supply chain.

“The UN-GGCE team is pleased to have 20 partners join us within the first six months of the program. It is important that our partners receive international recognition for their incredible contributions to sustain the global geodesy supply chain,” says Nick Brown, Head of Office at the United Nations Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence.”

In the coming months the UN-GGCE will introduce our partners to you through our newsletters, social media channels and website:

<https://ggim.un.org/UNGGCE/#about-partners>

Significant milestone for millions of users of satellite technology

The Norwegian Mapping Authority (Kartverket) is a valued Founding Partner of the UN-GGCE.

Kartverket has been part of the UN-GGCE since the beginning, providing staff with expertise in communications. Kartverket is also a significant contributor to global geodesy more broadly, with expertise and data services across the global geodesy supply chain.

Kartverket's most important contribution to the global network is Norway's Geodetic Earth Observatory in Ny-Ålesund, as the northernmost observatory of its kind.

The UN-GGCE team deeply appreciates Kartverket's contributions and we eagerly anticipate a long and successful partnership.

“The establishment of the UN-GGCE is a significant milestone for millions of users of satellite technology all over the world. As a founding partner, we appreciate the work that the UN-GGCE team is doing. For global geodesy in general and for us as actors and owners of infrastructure components.

The partnership with the UN-GGCE will bring the importance of the global geodesy supply chain to the political level both nationally and internationally.”

*Per Erik Opseth
Head of Geodetic Institute,
Norwegian Mapping Authority*



Strengthening governance and effectiveness

The Military Geographic Institute of Chile (IGM Chile) is a valued Partner of the UN-GGCE.



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IGM Chile operates and maintains the country’s geodetic networks, contributes to increasing the development of geodetic capabilities and works on the improvement of national and international geodetic infrastructure.

IGM Chile’s efforts are greatly valued, and the UN-GGCE team look forward to a fruitful and enduring collaboration.

CHILE: Field survey records.

“Being recognized as UN-GGCE Partner benefits IGM Chile in strengthening the governance and effectiveness of the IGM. Furthermore, it will strengthen the National Geodetic network, contribute to the international geodetic community and continue training and education from the UN-GGCE to the IGM and thus to the whole country.”

Coronel Carlos Prado Casanova
 Director, Military Geographic Institute of Chile

Opens new opportunities for collaboration

Mexico’s national statistical and geographic agency, the Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) is a valued Partner of the UN-GGCE.



PHOTO: INEGI

MEXICO: INEGI’s headquarters.

INEGI’s contributions to the global geodesy supply chain span financial commitments, staff secondments, operational infrastructure, and significant capacity building initiatives. The UN-GGCE team is thankful for the support from INEGI and we are excited about a thriving and lasting partnership.

“Being a UN-GGCE Partner formalizes INEGI’s longstanding contributions to global geodesy and highlight Mexico’s role as a leader in this critical field. The partnership opens new opportunities for collaboration with other international geospatial and geodetic organizations, providing INEGI with access to a wider network of experts and resources.”

Paloma Merodio Gómez
 Vice president, INEGI, Mexico

Will enhance undergraduate and postgraduate recruitment

The University of Tasmania (UTas) is a valued Partner of the UN-GGCE.

UTas owns and operates four radio telescopes that are regularly performing VLBI observations.

The UN-GGCE team is grateful for the contributions being made by UTas and we look forward to a long and prosperous partnership together.



TASMANIA: Lucia McCallum in front of the Hobart VGOS radio telescope. Photo: Jo Condon, AuScope

«Being UN-GGCE Partner will allow us to increase visibility with the university, hopefully securing long-term commitment to maintaining the observatories. A stronger link to UN goals will assist in future applications for research funding and the Partnership will enhance our undergraduate and postgraduate recruitment.»

Lucia McCallum
 Senior Research Fellow,
 University of Tasmania

