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## Abstract

## **Future Trends in Geospatial Information: Growing the Information Base, Promoting Greater Use – Keynote**

In this session, Vanessa will briefly discuss the major trends likely to impact the geospatial information community in the coming five to ten years, as identified by the wide range of contributors who provided submissions and feedback on the UN-GGIM working document, *Future trends in geospatial information management: the five to ten year vision*. Vanessa will go on to provide examples from around the World of how geospatial information is already being used to underpin major economic and social development. She will also discuss how the *Future trends* document and the User Case studies submitted by Countries since the Second Session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management can be used to raise awareness amongst policy and decision-makers of the importance of reliable and accurate geospatial information, outlining how such data can be used to underpin effective decision-making in all areas of life.