

Statement of shared guiding principles for geospatial information management

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Positioning geospatial information to address global challenges

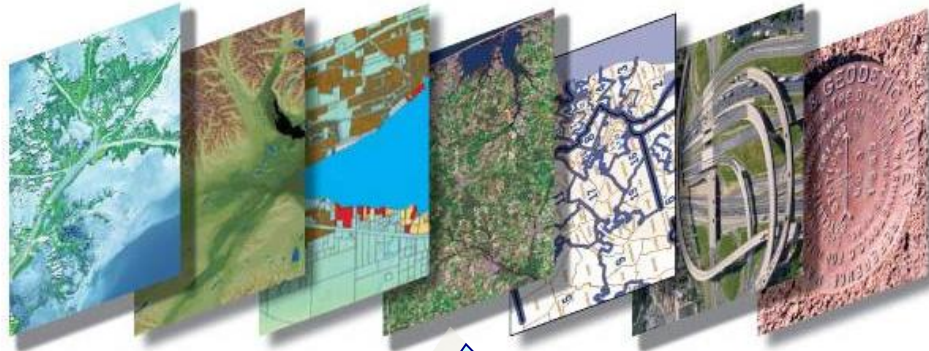
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Issues and Challenges

How is Intellectual Property Law Applied?

How do we establish trust In GI that enables it to be used with confidence?

The rights of citizens to access GI collected at public expense



Using non-transparent Pricing policies and licences

Protecting personal privacy & security from unethical use of GI

The obligation Of Govt to provide universal access to GI



Progress at 4th Meeting

- Endorsement of the terms of reference and programme of activities of the Working Group
- Agreed a more appropriate title “A statement of shared guiding principles for geospatial information management.”
- The Committee noted the strong consensus on the statement of shared guiding principles, and
- Requested the Working Group to provide a final statement of shared guiding principles for endorsement at its fifth session



3 Themes to the Principles

- Innovation
- Governance
- Compliance



Revision and Consultation Process

- 12 interventions at our 4th session
- Revised draft issued in January 2015
- 28 responses
- 50% endorsement without further changes
- 14% provided detailed comments
- 2 additional principles
 - Expertise;
 - International cooperation & harmonization



Respondents

Countries		
Australia	Iraq	Singapore
Austria	Japan	South Africa
Bahamas	Jordan	Spain
Bahrain	Macao	State of Palestine
Botswana	Mexico	Sudan
Canada	New Zealand	Sweden
Denmark	Norway	
Egypt	Oman	
Fiji	Philippines	
France	Romania	
Regional and International Organizations		
International Federation of Surveyors (FIG)		
Inter-America Institute of Geography and History (IPGH)		



Additional Principles

- **Expertise:** value national expertise in geospatial information knowledge and experience in order to, where appropriate, comment on and validate the quality of geospatial datasets covering the national territory, seeking their overall consistency, in order to advise on matters of application, interpretation and use of geospatial information.
- **International cooperation and harmonization:** engage in bilateral and multilateral cooperation in geospatial information management to foster effective and efficient geospatial data management systems in all Member States. Harmonization of national geospatial data and services at regional and global levels is encouraged in order to meet the needs of supranational users.



The Committee is invited to:

- a. Take note of the work by the Working Group inclusive of this report and endorse the *Statement of Shared Guiding Principles for Geospatial Information Management*;**
- b. Approve the approach to have the *Statement of Shared Guiding Principles for Geospatial Information Management* referred to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) for endorsement, and commit to providing the support needed to table the principles at ECOSOC;**
- c. Encourage Member States to adopt the Statement of Shared Guiding Principles for Geospatial Information Management; and**
- d. Provide guidance on the planned activities of the Working Group, specifically its promotion and revision plans.**

