Information Note

Hangzhou Forum on UN-GGIM

Organized by

National Administration of Surveying, Mapping and Geoinformation (NASG) of China

Secretariat of United Nations initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)

Supported by

Permanent Committee on GIS Infrastructure for Asia and the Pacific (PCGIAP)

The National Administration of Surveying, Mapping and Geoinformation (NASG) of China and the Secretariat of the United Nations initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) are jointly organizing a Global Geospatial Information Management Forum from 24 to 25 May 2012 at the Zhejiang Xizi Hotel in Hangzhou, China. As a regional consultation mechanism, the Hangzhou Forum will discuss priority issues for the regional implementation strategy of the UN-GGIM initiative. It is substantively supported by PCGIAP, and will be held back to back with the PCGIAP Executive Board meeting.

Objective

The Forum will provide a platform for an exchange of views on key policy and technology issues and the need for improved regional cooperation in global geospatial information management. Therefore, the following outcomes are envisaged:

- A recognition that, in order to set an agenda for a sustainable global geospatial information management mechanism, national and regional consultations and implementation strategies are required and must be pursued;
- An emerging understanding of the key issues and directions that UN-GGIM and the international organizations will need to focus on in their program of work;
- Initial agreement on the critical issues and the development of a roadmap that will support the directions and implementation strategy of UN-GGIM.

Draft Program

May 24 (Thu)	Opening Ceremony & Keynote Address	09:00-10:30
	Session 1 Future Trends in Geospatial Information Management	11:00-12:30
	Lunch	12:30-14:00
	Session 2 Emerging Trends in Institutional Arrangements	14:00-15:30
	Session 3 Evolving a new Geodetic Positioning Framework	16:00-17:30
	Reception hosted by NASG	18:30-20:30
May 25 (Fri)	Session 4 Considerations of Data Quality Assurance Framework	09:00-10:30
	Session 5 New Models in Data Sharing and Dissemination	11:00-12:30
	Lunch	12:30-14:00
	Session 6 Statement of Ethics on Global Geospatial Information	14:00-15:30
	Summary Panel and Closing Remarks	16:00-17:00
	Dinner hosted by Zhejiang Provincial Government	18:00-20:00
May 26 (Sat)	PCGIAP Executive Board Meeting and Technical Tours	09:00-18:00

Working Language

The meeting will be conducted in English.

Registration

All participants are kindly required to fill out and return the registration form to the host, NASG of China. The information you provide on the registration form will be used for visa documentation, hotel reservation and meeting preparation.

Visa

Foreigners from most countries are required to apply for a visa to enter China. For detailed visa policies, please consult your Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Chinese embassy or consulate in your country. When you fill out the registration form, indicate whether you need the official visa documentation. Upon receipt of the registration form, the host will send the official visa documentation to those who need it.

Accommodation

Block reservations have been made at preferential rates with the two hotels below. The host will book your room according to your choice on the registration form. Participants who wish to stay at other hotels are responsible to make their own hotel room reservations.

Zhejiang Xizi Hotel (the venue)

No. 37, Nanshan Road, Hangzhou

Tel: +86 571 87021888; Fax: +86 571 87063537; Website: http://www.xizihotel.com

West Lake Hillview International Hotel

No. 37, Lianhuafeng Road, Hangzhou

Tel: +86 571 87379998; Fax: 86-571-87379997; Website: http://westlh-hotel.com

Transportation

The participants will be picked up on arrival at the Hangzhou Xiaoshan International Airport and transferred to the hotel. Transportation from the West Lake Hillview International Hotel to the venue will be provided during the meeting.

Tour

A half-day tour to China National Silk Museum will be organized on May 26 in two groups, for non PCGIAP EB members on the morning, and PCGIAP EB members on the afternoon. Please indicate your choice at the registration form.

About Hangzhou

Hangzhou is one of the eight ancient capitals of China. Now as the capital city of Zhejiang Province, it is the second largest economy in the Yangtze River Delta. Hangzhou is a famous tourist city of China, especially for the beautiful scenery of the West Lake. Historically known as the City of Silk and the City of Tea, Hangzhou also offers a lot for you to bring back home.

The Venue

The Forum will be held at Zhejiang Xizi Hotel. Xizi Hotel was founded in 1927 as Wang Yu-tai Tea House. It is located on the south bank of the famous West Lake and at the foot of the Sunset Hill. The hotel is surrounded by the hills on one side and the West Lake on the other three sides, with exclusively wonderful view of the Lake. It covers an area of about 195,000 square meters. The broad space, scenic view and exquisite garden architecture perfectly combine to show the typical natural and cultural beauty of eastern China. The hotel is 37km to the Hangzhou International Airport and 5km to the Railway Station.

Weather

It starts to get quite warm at Hangzhou in late May. The temperature is about 20-32 degrees Celsius. T-shirts are suitable for outdoors.

Currency

The Chinese currency is RMB. The current exchange rate is about 1USD:6.4RMB. Major foreign currencies can be exchanged at banks, hotels, and airports. Most hotels, restaurants and shops accept major international credit cards including Visa and Master Card.

Time

The standard time used in all regions of China is 8 hours ahead of GMT.

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Hangzhou Forum on UN-GGIM & PCGIAP EB Meeting



24-26 May 2012, Hangzhou, China

REGISTRATION FORM

Please send your completed registration form by E-mail to:

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Participant Information							
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Full Name as in the Passport:							
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Zhejiang Xizi Hotel		Room Rate (service & breakfast inclusive)		No. of Rooms Required			
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□ Deluxe Queen Room	+	(USD328)					
West Lake Hillview International Hotel							
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Please check the activities that you will attend during the Forum: PCGIAP Executive Board Meeting, am, May 26 □ Reception, May 24 □ Dinner, May 25 □							
Tour to China National Silk Museum, May 26, am□ pm□							
Do you need the official document for Chinese visa application? \Box Yes \Box No							
Special Dietary Requirement:							