

Implementation Guide


Working Group on Legal and Policy
Frameworks for Geospatial Information

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- ▶ The United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework
- ▶ Part I – Strategic overarching framework – was adopted by the Committee of Experts at its eighth session in August 2018,
- ▶ Committee requested the implementation guide be prepared and presented to the Committee at its ninth session.
 - Anchored by the nine strategic pathways of the Framework

Implementation Guide

- ▶ Key Elements:
 - Force of law
 - laws,
 - regulations,
 - treaties and
 - Agreements
 - Informal
 - policies, best practices, norms, and standards.

 - ▶ Strengths and weaknesses of each
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Key Legal and Policy Issues

- Governance
 - Accountability
 - Intellectual Property Rights
 - Data Protection/Privacy
 - Data Quality/Liability
 - National Security
 - Platform/Industry Specific Regulations
 - Licensing/Data Sharing
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Gap Analysis

- ▶ How the various critical aspects are addressed in the current legal and policy framework as compared to a framework that within the nation.
 - Maximize the utility of geospatial information while still providing adequate protection against potential risks.
- ▶ Taking into account:
 - Differences in legal systems between nations
 - Cultural and historic aspects of the rule of law.

Future Proofing

- ▶ How to future proof” a legal and policy framework for geospatial information.
- ▶ Need for such a framework to be adaptive:
 - Given technological advancements in the collection, use, analysis, storage and distribution of geospatial information
 - The accompanying legal and policy issues that will arise.

