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Introduction

The Committee of Experts at its eighth session in August 2018 adopted the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (E/2018/46, Decision 8/113) that provide a basis, a reference and a mechanism for Member States when establishing, strengthening or organizing their national and subnational arrangements in geospatial information management and related infrastructures. The Framework aims to translate high-level concepts to practical implementation guidance for use by Member States and does this by leveraging seven (7) underpinning principles, eight (8) goals and nine (9) strategic pathways as a means for governments to establish more effective geospatial information management arrangements.

The objective of the nine strategic pathways is to guide governments towards implementing integrated geospatial information arrangements in a way that will deliver a vision for sustainable social, environmental and economic development. The Implementation Guide provides guidance and recommends actions to be taken by governments to establish, strengthen or coordinate their geospatial information management arrangements nationally and sub-nationally.

This workshop seeks to raise awareness and improve knowledge and understanding of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and its Implementation Guide. It is a peer-to-peer learning event where participants will engage and consider the implementation guidance and recommended actions according to their national circumstances, and work through a conceptual approach to operationalize the Framework towards nationally integrated geospatial information management. The workshop aims to contribute to strengthening nationally integrated geospatial information management towards the production, dissemination and application geospatial information to implement national development and strategic priorities, national implementation of the 2030 Agenda, and ultimately, sustainable development.

Organizers

The United Nations Secretariat for Global Geospatial Information Management, Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs in collaboration with the Statistics Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean jointly organise this International Workshop, supported by the Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for the Americas and its Working Group on Geospatial Data Infrastructures.

Workshop venue

Celso Furtado Conference Room
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
Av. Dag Hammarskjöld 3477, Vitacura
Santiago de Chile



Registration and identification badges

All participants must be prior registered for the workshop by responding to the invitation provided as required.

On-site registration for all confirmed participants will be open on Monday, 9 September from 8.30 am at the venue of the workshop. Please proceed to the main entrance of the ECLAC Headquarters (located at Av. Dag Hammarskjöld 3477, Vitacura) to register and process your identification badges for access into ECLAC and the workshop venue. For security reasons, identification badges should be worn by all confirmed participants at all times throughout the duration of the workshop.

For registration and processing of identification badges, participants must bring along an appropriate form of personal identification such as an international passport.

For further information or clarification for on-site registration please contact Ms. Paula Warnken (paula.warnken@cepal.org, Tel: (+56 2 2210 2651) or Mr. Juan Alvez (juan.alvez@cepal.org, Tel: (+56 2 2210 2474).

Internet

Delegates will have access to a wireless Internet connection (Wi-Fi) in the conference room and in open areas.

Languages

The Workshop will be conducted in English with translation into Spanish only.

Contact persons

The purpose of this document is to provide invited participants with useful information to facilitate their participation in the workshop. For further clarification or questions, particularly about local logistical and meeting arrangements, please contact:

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General information on Chile

Geographical location

Chile is located in the extreme south-west of South America, between the Pacific Ocean and the Andes mountains. The country, whose long and narrow territories, is divided into 15 administrative regions, has a total population of approximately 17 million. The capital city is Santiago.

Santiago

Santiago is home to almost six million inhabitants. It has a Mediterranean climate and well-defined seasons, with rainy winters (from May to September) with minimum temperatures as low as 0° C, and dry summers (from November to March) with highs of around 30° C with low relative humidity and evenings are cool.

It is suggested that visitors drink bottled mineral water, since tap water, although safe to drink, may not agree with those not accustomed to it. As in any big cities, it is advisable to avoid wearing expensive jewellery and to be careful with handbags and briefcases.

Transport from the airport to Santiago

The companies Transvip and Transfer Delfos operate minivan services from the airport, offering passenger transportation to different areas of the city. Each van can transport 10 to 12 passengers, at an approximate cost of US\$15 per person. Visitors preferring to take a taxi are advised to use the firms Taxi Oficial or Transvip, which are also located at the airport; fares to the city vary between US\$35 and US\$40 depending on the destination.

Santiago's public transport system includes buses, taxis and five subway lines. Taxi fares are metered and, in general, drivers do not expect tips.

Useful information

LOCAL CURRENCY	The national currency is the Chilean peso (\$). The exchange rate is approximately 679 pesos to the dollar (July 2019).
LOCAL TIME	UTC/GMT -3 hours (at the date of the meeting).
ELECTRICITY	220 volts, 50 Hertz (AC).
AIRPORT TAX	Airport tax is included in ticket prices.
TIPPING	Tipping is usual practice in Chile, as in many other parts of the world. It is customary to leave a tip of about 10% of total bill in restaurants.



Visa and entry requirements for Chile

Participants must be in possession of a passport valid for at least six months beyond the date of entry into Chile. Participants from countries whose citizens require a visa to enter Chile should apply for one in advance at their nearest Chilean embassy or consulate.

To find out whether you require a visa, go to the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile (<http://chileabroad.gov.cl/consulados/>) and click on the name of your country.

Hotel reservations

The ECLAC Conference Services Unit has reserved a limited number of rooms with special rates for this meeting, at the following hotels:

- **Hotel Atton Vitacura (****)**, Av. Vitacura 3201, Vitacura, Tel: (+56) 2 2422 7902

Single room: US\$120 (includes breakfast and Internet)
Attn: Carolina Hermosilla, Reservations Department
E-mail: chermosilla@atton.com / reservas@atton.com

These rates do not include value added tax (VAT) of 19%. Guests who pay in dollars using cash, travellers' cheques or an international credit card are exempt from payment of VAT.

Requests for reservations should be addressed directly to the hotel by the deadline given on the hotel reservation form attached. After this date, the hotel reserves the right to change the rate and cannot guarantee that rooms will be available.

To maintain the special ECLAC rate, hotel reservations must be requested personally, not through agencies or other means. Delegates are responsible for their own reservations. You are advised to check that the hotel has processed your reservation and to request a reservation number or confirmation code.

The hotel requires your flight number and date of arrival in and departure from Chile, as well as credit card details, in order to guarantee the reservation.

Please complete in full the attached reservation form, which requests all the required details, and submit by the stated deadline.

Facilities and services at ECLAC

Travel agency Flight reservations and confirmations are handled by Carlson Wagonlit Travel, located in the basement of the ECLAC building (office 1S7).

Bank There is a branch of Banco de Chile in the basement of the ECLAC building. It is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Foreign currency may be exchanged from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.



Meals	ECLAC has a cafeteria and a canteen, which are open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Participants must pay directly for their own consumption at these facilities.
Medical service	The ECLAC Medical Service (office number Z-210, ext. 2333) is available to participants requiring first aid assistance. It is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Shop	The “One World” shop, located in the central foyer on the ground floor, next to the spiral staircase, offers a wide range of attractive gifts, United Nations souvenirs and other items.

Places of interest in Santiago

Pueblito Los Dominicos	A handicraft village located close to the foot of the Andes in the east of the city. It offers a diverse array of traditional and contemporary crafts, including furniture, textiles and paintings.
Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes	The national fine arts museum is a major centre for the visual arts in Chile. It is situated in Santiago’s Parque Forestal.
Museo de Arte Precolombino	This museum is at the cutting edge in terms of preserving, displaying and studying the continent’s pre-Columbian artistic legacy. It has an extensive collection of art from ancient cultures such as the Incas and the Diaguitas. It is located in downtown Santiago.
Municipal Theatre of Santiago	Built in 1857, Santiago’s municipal theatre is a national monument of renowned architectural beauty. It is one of the foremost cultural centres in Chile and hosts opera, ballet and musical performances.
Palacio de La Moneda	The Government Palace, located in central Santiago, is the only building of a pure Italian neo-classical style in the Americas. Its cultural centre presents visual and audio-visual exhibitions from Chile and further afield.
Plaza de Armas	Located in the heart of Santiago, this square has been the civic centre since colonial times. The cathedral in the square is a national monument and has an interesting museum, whose main attraction is its library containing manuscripts by important Chilean historical figures. Other historical buildings on the Plaza de Armas are the Santiago town hall and the central post office.
Barrio Bellavista	This vibrant, quintessentially urban neighbourhood combines a highly varied commercial clothing and craft sector with numerous restaurants offering many types of international cuisine. Bellavista nestles between the north bank of the Mapocho River and the foot of San Cristóbal Hill (home to



Santiago's largest public park and the national zoo). Its exotic architecture gives it the aspect of an open-air museum, where visitors may discover art galleries, theatres and lapis lazuli jewellery shops, as well as La Chascona, the former residence of poet Pablo Neruda.



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Nombre/Name:		Apellido/Last name:
Dirección/Address:		
Ciudad/City:		País/Country:
Teléfono/ Phone:	Fax:	Correo electrónico/E-mail:
<p><u>Hotel Atton Vitacura (****)</u> Av. Vitacura 3201 Telephone: (+56) 2 2422 7902/2 2944 7858 Attn: Carolina Hermosilla, Reservations Department E-mail: chermosilla@atton.com</p> <p>Single room: 120 dólares <i>(includes breakfast and internet)</i></p> <p>Group Code: 5120059 Block reservation expiry date: 30 August, 2019</p>		
Date of arrival:		Flight no:
Date of departure:		Flight no.:

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