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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Provisional agenda

The provisional agenda for the 2024 Meeting of the International Advisory Committee of the United Nations Global Geospatial Knowledge and Innovation Centre (UN-GGKIC: IAC) is being provided to guide the main topics and elements of discussion and agreement for the IAC as follows:

- 1) Welcome and introductions
- 2) Provisional agenda, organization of the meeting and setting-the-scene
- 3) Terms of Reference, membership, and co-Chairs of the IAC
- 4) Working modalities and the advisory role and responsibilities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC
- 5) Consideration of the UN-GGKIC programme of work according to the Framework Plan
- 6) Consideration and development of the strategic plan of UN-GGKIC
- 7) Consideration and development of the annual work plan of UN-GGKIC
- 8) Summary and close

Proposed annotated agenda and organization of work

Wednesday 17 April 2024	
08:30 - 09:00	Arrival of participants
09:00 - 10:30	<p>Agenda #1: Opening of the meeting, welcome and introductions <i>This is the opening segment of the two-day meeting with brief welcome remarks.</i></p> <p>Chair: Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD ➢ Pengde Li, DESA/GGKIC ➢ Ingrid Vanden Berghe, Co-Chair of UN-GGIM • Announcements <i>Briefing to participants on the facilities and arrangements for the meeting, refreshment arrangements for the two days and any relevant public health, safety, and emergency announcements</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Ming Ma, DESA/SD/GGKIC • Membership of the International Advisory Committee of the UN-GGKIC <i>The meeting will be informed of the composition and membership of the UN-GGKIC: IAC. Members of the UN-GGKIC: IAC together with meeting observers will briefly introduce themselves. UNSD will briefly introduce this item.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD





	<p>Agenda #2: Provisional agenda, organization of the meeting and setting the-scene</p> <p>Chair: Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional agenda and organization of the meeting <i>The meeting will briefly discuss expectations and expected outcomes before confirming the agenda of the meeting together with the organization of the meeting. UN-GGKIC will introduce this item.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pengde Li, DESA/SD/GGKIC • Setting the scene <i>The meeting will be briefed on the background and context of the UN-GGKIC and the strategic and advisory role of the International Advisory Committee. The meeting will also consider the mandates and implementation of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) resolution 2022/24, and the operations of UN-GGIM focused on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF).</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD
<p>10:30 - 11:00</p>	<p><i>Refreshment break & Group photograph</i></p>
<p>11:00 – 12:30</p>	<p>Agenda #3: Terms of Reference, membership, and co-Chairs of the IAC</p> <p><i>In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding on the Operationalization of the UN-GGKIC, the International Advisory Committee has been formed and comprises international geospatial experts with balanced geographical representation and diversity from UN-GGIM.</i></p> <p>Chair: Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of Reference of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The IAC is to provide required guidance and advice on the development, implementation, and review of the substantive annual programme of work of the UN-GGKIC, in consultation with the Head of the Centre. The draft Terms of Reference will be clarified, and the meeting may review and update, as appropriate, the UN-GGKIC: IAC Terms of Reference with a view to finalize and adopt the terms. UNSD will introduce this item.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD • Co-Chairs of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The IAC shall elect two co-Chairs to serve for a two-year period. The meeting will discuss and affirm by acclamation two members as co-Chairs of the UN-GGKIC: IAC with due consideration for geographic diversity and equity between developed and developing countries. UNSD proposes one of the two co-Chairs serve a half term, for one year. Thus, the next time the IAC meets, the IAC will fill the vacant co-Chair position and thereafter, election shall be annually to fill a vacant co-Chair position, thus ensuring continuity. UNSD will facilitate the selection process.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD <p>Agenda #4: Working modalities and the advisory role and responsibilities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC</p> <p><i>The overarching aim of the IAC is to provide the required guidance and advice on the development, implementation, and review of the substantive annual programme of work of the UN-GGKIC, in consultation with the Head of the Centre.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p>





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advisory role and responsibilities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The meeting will consider the advisory role and responsibilities of the IAC including reporting to the annual sessions of UN-GGIM under the agenda item 'Enhancing global geospatial information management arrangements', and as appropriate, clarify and/or elaborate further this role and responsibility. UNSD will briefly introduce this item which will be followed by open discussions.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD • Open discussion • The working modalities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The UN-GGKIC: IAC shall work through electronic exchanges with an annual meeting hosted by the UN-GGKIC. Where feasible, the annual meeting of the UN-GGKIC IAC could be convened in conjunction with an international peer-to-peer knowledge and innovation exchange or capacity development event organized by the UN-GGKIC. The co-Chairs, with support from the Head of the Centre and the UN Secretariat, shall coordinate, monitor, and report on the activities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC to the Steering Committee of UN-GGKIC. The UN-GGKIC: IAC shall report on the implementation and progress of the centre's programme of work to the annual sessions of UN-GGIM, through the preparation of written reports and background documents, under the standing agenda item "Enhancing global geospatial information management arrangements". The meeting will discuss and clarify as appropriate its working modality including its annual meeting and preferences. UNSD will briefly introduce this item which will be followed by open discussions.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD • Open discussion
2:30 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Agenda item #5 - Consideration of the UN-GGKIC programme of work according to the Framework Plan</p> <p><i>The agreed Framework Plan provides the objectives, functions, organization, and management of the UN-GGKIC. The annual programme of work shall be developed and implemented in accordance with the modalities of the Framework Plan. UN-GGKIC's overarching goal is to work towards the ambitions of implementation of the UN-IGIF set by Member States, develop capacity, promote, and support the required innovation, leadership, coordination and to develop, enhance and deliver national geospatial information management policy and capabilities into national development strategies, priorities, and programs.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Framework Plan of the UN-GGKIC <i>The meeting will review the agreed Framework Plan, clarify as appropriate, as part of the preparation for its consideration of feasible strategic actions and priorities for the UN-GGKIC. The Framework Plan outlines three key initial priority focus areas for the UN-GGKIC: deliver technical assistance and capacity development; serve as a global geospatial knowledge centre; and serve as a catalyst for geospatial innovation and technology. UN-GGKIC will briefly introduce this item.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Pengde Li, DESA/SD/GGKIC <p>Agenda item #6 – Consideration and development of the strategic plan of UN-GGKIC</p> <p><i>The strategic plan and work programme of the UN-GGKIC aims to advance the implementation of ECOSOC resolution 2022/24 for the achievement of UN-GGIM's operations focused on the SDGs and the UN-IGIF to strengthen and ensure its continued effectiveness and benefits to all Member States, advancing the core function of the UN-GGIM, thus enhancing and advancing geospatial information management capacities in Member States, especially developing countries, to strengthen knowledge sharing and innovative cooperation.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p>





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft strategic plan and work programme of the UN-GGKIC <i>The draft strategic plan and work programme will be presented by UN-GGKIC followed by open discussions and exchange of views on the strategy, vision and priorities of work for the UN-GGKIC.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Pengde Li, DESA/GGKIC • Open discussion
15:30 – 16:00	Break
16:00 – 17:15	<p>Agenda item #6 – Consideration and development of the strategic plan of UN-GGKIC <i>The UN-GGKIC IAC will guide, advise and review UN-GGKIC’s strategic plan and work programme so that there is a work plan and associated activities that will: advance the implementation of ECOSOC resolution 2022/24 for the achievement of UN-GGIM’s operations focused on the SDGs and the implementation of the UN-IGIF; enhance, strengthen and advance the development of geospatial information management capacity, capabilities and leadership of Member States, especially developing countries; strengthen knowledge sharing and innovative cooperation of Member States; promote applications of geospatial information in other fields; that benefits all Member States.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic plan and work program <i>The segment facilitated by the UN Secretariat and the UN-GGKIC will introduce this item and brief the meeting on salient elements of Framework plan toward the development of a strategic plan and work programme and facilitate the consideration and development of guidance and advice on a feasible strategy, vision, and priorities for the UN-GGKIC. Breakout groups will conclude their consideration and report back to the meeting followed by open discussions.</i> • Breakout group work • Breakout group work: report-back • Open discussion
17:15 – 17:30	<p>Agenda item #8 – Summary and close</p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of the day <i>The co-Chairs will review the considerations and progress for the day with members of the IAC, summarize/highlight any key items considered as a lead-up to the draft summary considerations and recommendations on a feasible strategy, vision, and priorities for the UN-GGKIC.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee





Thursday 18 April 2024	
08:30 – 09:00	Arrival of participants
09:00 – 10:30	<p>Agenda item #7 – Consideration and development of the annual work plan of UN-GGKIC</p> <p><i>The UN-GGKIC will develop and implement an annual programme of work and activities in accordance with the agreed Framework Plan. It is preferable that the first “annual” programme of work covers the rest of 2024 until the end of 2025. The first annual programme of work and activities must achieve the overarching goal, objectives, and functions of the UN-GGKIC as agreed between the parties. The meeting may engage in breakout group work with a report-back mechanism.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed programme of work and activities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC for 2024/25 <i>This segment will be briefly introduced by UN-GGKIC to facilitate considerations and determination of priorities for the annual programme of work and activities that must achieve the overarching goal, objectives, and functions of the UN-GGKIC. This segment may break out into groups to brainstorm, deliberate, and consider key work packages and elements of a medium term and annual programme of work and activities.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pengde Li, DESA/GGKIC Breakout group work
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment break
11:00 – 12:30	<p>Agenda item #7 - Consideration and development of the annual work plan of UN-GGKIC</p> <p><i>The UN-GGKIC IAC will continue to develop an annual programme of work and activities in accordance with the agreed Framework Plan. The annual programme of work and activities must achieve the overarching goal, objectives, and functions of the UN-GGKIC as agreed between the parties.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed programme of work and activities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The meeting will continue its consideration and develop its guidance and advice on a feasible programme of work and activities for the short and medium term and to prioritize activities as appropriate. This segment will continue with its breakout group work to brainstorm, deliberate, and consider key work packages and elements of a medium term and annual programme of work and activities. Further interactions, discussions, exchange of views and sharing of ideas may take place before concluding considerations from the Head of the UN-GGKIC.</i> Breakout group work: report-back Open discussion Proposed programme of work and activities of the UN-GGKIC: IAC <i>The UN-GGKIC will review the discussions, views and perspectives, considerations and recommendations of the UN-GGKIC: IAC at its 2024 Meeting with some penultimate observations. An annual programme of work and priority activities in accordance with the agreed Framework Plan to achieve the overarching goal, objectives, and functions of the UN-GGKIC.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pengde Li, DESA/GGKIC Open discussion





12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:00	<p>Agenda item #8 – Summary and close</p> <p><i>UNSD will assist the co-Chairs of UN-GGKIC: IAC to prepare and deliver a set of summary outcomes including way forward reflecting the discussion and recommendations for the UN-GGKIC. The meeting will consider entrusting the co-Chairs to finalize the outcomes of the meeting, discuss its next meeting(s), both virtually and in-person. The meeting will close with some brief closing remarks.</i></p> <p>Chair: co-Chairs, UN-GGKIC International Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary outcomes <i>The meeting will consider a set of draft summary outcomes and recommendations including way forward prepared by the co-Chairs with the assistance of UNSD as the agreed outcome of the meeting.</i> • Closing remarks <i>The meeting will be brought to a formal close with some closing remarks.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Pengde Li, DESA/GGKIC ➢ Stefan Schweinfest, DESA/SD ➢ Co-Chairs of the IAC UN-GGKIC
15:00 - 15:30	<i>Refreshment break</i>
15:30 -	<p>Networking and interaction</p> <p><i>The meeting moves into an unstructured casual setting where meeting participants will have the opportunity to informally interact and discuss with colleagues outside the meeting room including with members of the Steering Committee on matters as relates to the UN-GGKIC accelerating is achievement of its overarching goal.</i></p>

