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KIRIBATI STATUS GEOSPATIAL & SURVEYING

EXPERT CONSULTATION AND MEETING ON ENHANCING GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS AND ACCELERATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS TOGETHER WITH THE SUB-REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON UNITED NATIONS INTEGRATED GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION FRAMEWORK FOR THE PACIFIC ISLAND COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

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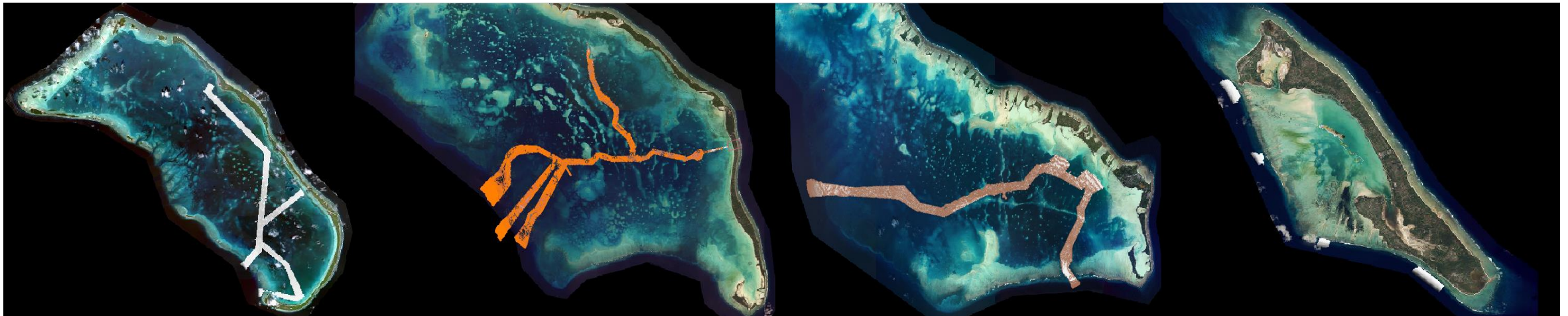
THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PACIFIC GEOSPATIAL AND SURVEYING COUNCIL

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Current Status - Geospatial & Surveying

- Establishment of the Kiribati Hydrographic Unit
- Hydrographic Surveys (MBES & LiDAR) in Abaiang, Nonouti, Beru, and Tabiteuea South – Kiribati Outer Island Transport Infrastructure Investment Project (KOITIIP), funded by ADB & WB
- Cat. B certification – 2 staff (Hydrographic Surveyor)
- Procurement of Hydrographic survey equipment
- Development of Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure
- UN-IGIF – guide to develop, integrate and strengthen geospatial data management – Country Action Plan (in draft).



Future - Geospatial & Surveying

- Where do you see your agency with respect to geospatial & surveying in the next five (5) to ten (10) years?
 - Hydrographic Unit Plan of Action Plan [2023 - 2030] “Navigating Towards a Safer Future: Kiribati's Commitment to Improved Maritime Services To Enhance Sustainable Growth”
 - To improve the quality and availability of hydrographic data and marine safety information services in Kiribati.
 - To ensure that Kiribati meets its international obligations under the various conventions
 - To establish a sustainable and effective hydrographic surveying and mapping program in Kiribati.
 - National Hydrographic Coordinating Committee
 - Extension of hydrographic surveys to other outer islands

Resources

- What are the necessary resources required to enhance your agencies/countries geospatial information management?
 - Technical resources – more hands-on training/capacity building/data storage and management systems.
 - Financial resources – hydrographic survey equipment, software licensing, infrastructure development, ongoing training programs, workshops, certifications for local geospatial professionals.
 - Human resource and capacity building – skilled workforce, training programs and professional development, knowledge exchange and partnerships
 - International collaboration and support – partnerships with regional and international organizations, technical assistance and advisory support.



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