

# Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

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### Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data (for discussion and decision)

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- [EARSC](#) welcomes the report for the working group and is happy to support the discussions around Policy and Legal Frameworks for Geospatial Information management providing the views of the earth observation private sector involvement suggesting a more structured dialogue between industry and the representative national or regional public sector bodies on the availability of geospatial and earth observation information.
- Industry plays a pivotal role in exporting technological capacities and contributing to the development of local and regional industrial ecosystems. In the light of COVID-19, EO plays an increasingly important role in the value chain of many industries and geospatial and earth observation should be seen as a part of Nations critical infrastructure providing data in times of emergencies and instability.

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