

## **Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management**

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Item 3 of the agenda

### **Strengthening of geospatial information management (for discussion and decision)**

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Ireland welcomes the report, and express its thanks to the Expanded Bureau and the Secretariat of UN-GGIM regarding the preparations for the report and resolution to ECOSOC.

We recognise the significant achievements of UN-GGIM over the last ten years and the importance of this forum. We therefore acknowledge the importance of adequate resources for the UN-GGIM Committee and Secretariat, and understand the need to extend the timeline for reporting to ECOSOC, noting the importance of providing time for the consideration of the Committee of experts, before submitting the report to ECOSOC in February 2022.

Ireland appreciates the work that has taken place over the last year to progress both the UN's Global Geospatial Knowledge and Innovation Centre and the Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence, in China and Germany respectively, and welcomes the announcement that the Second World Geospatial Information Congress will be convened in Hyderabad, India during October 2022. We look forward to the continued progress of all three key items.

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