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Agenda item 19

Report of the Committee of Experts on its twelfth session

Draft report

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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee of Experts held its twelfth session from 3 to 5 August 2022 at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The Committee held six meetings (1st to 6th).

B. Election of officers

2. At its 1st meeting, on 3 August 2022, the Committee of Experts elected the following officers by acclamation:

Co-Chairs:

Ingrid Vanden Berghe (Belgium)
Tulu Besha Bedada (Ethiopia)
Paloma Merodio Gómez (Mexico)

Rapporteur:

Kamal Outghouliast (Morocco)

C. Agenda and organization of work

3. At its 1st meeting, on 3 August, the Committee of Experts adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [E/C.20/2022/1](#). The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.



3. Strengthening global geospatial information management arrangements.
 4. Determining the future geospatial information ecosystem.
 5. Contribution of regional committees to the global geospatial information agenda.
 6. Contribution of thematic networks to the global geospatial information agenda.
 7. Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.
 8. Global geodetic reference frame.
 9. Geospatial information for sustainable development.
 10. Integration of geospatial, statistical and other related information.
 11. Application of geospatial information related to land administration and management.
 12. Geospatial information and services for disasters.
 13. Marine geospatial information.
 14. Policy and legal frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data.
 15. Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community.
 16. Collaboration with the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.
 17. Programme management report.
 18. Provisional agenda and dates of the thirteenth session.
 19. Report of the Committee of Experts on its twelfth session.
4. At the same meeting, the Committee of Experts approved the organization of the work for the session, as contained in document [E/C.20/2022/3](#).

D. Attendance

5. The session was attended by ___ participants, including ___ representatives from ___ Member States and ___ representatives from ___ non-Member States. Also present were ___ representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations. The list of participants is available from the website of the Committee of Experts at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.

6. The Committee invited the following non-governmental organizations and other entities, which do not have consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, to participate in the work of the session as observers: African Regional Institute for Geospatial Information Science and Technology; Aligarh Muslim University; Atlas AI; Austrian Academy of Sciences; Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; Cadastal Solutions; Carleton University; Centre for Spatial Law and Policy; Chia Network, Inc.; Columbia University; ConsultingWhere; Environmental Systems Research Institute; EuroGeographics; Eurostat; Geomares; Geospatial Frameworks; Geospatial Initiatives, Ltd; Geospatial World; GeoTechVision; GeoThings; Global Resources Management Consultancy, Inc.; Google; Group on Earth Observations secretariat; Harvard University; Health Solutions; Hexagon; International Association of

Geodesy; International Cartographic Association (ICA); International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics; Istanbul University; Jawaharlal Nehru University; Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd.; Kullu Solutions, LLC; Linkay Technologies, Inc; KU Leuven University; Location International, Ltd.; MapAction; Maxar Technologies; National University of Singapore; NOVA Information Management School; Politecnico di Milano; Open Geospatial Consortium; Oracle; PASCO Corporation; PLACE; Precision Ecology; PVBLIC Foundation; Riegl USA, Inc; Satellogic; Sustainable Development Solutions Network; Ter Haar Geoinnovation, Limited; Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; Tim Trainor, Consultant; Toronto Metropolitan University; Trimble; University of Cape Town; University of Maine; University of Melbourne; University of Pavia; University of the Republic; University of Twente; Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien); W.K. Kellogg Foundation; and World Geospatial Industry Council.

E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Committee of Experts at its twelfth session are available from the website of the Committee of Experts at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.
