

**Fourth Plenary Meeting of the High-level Group of the
Integrated Geospatial Information Framework**
Conference Room 11, General Assembly Building, UNHQ, New York
5 – 6 August 2024

Background

The High-level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (HLG-IGIF) is actively implementing its Strategic Plan and Plan of Work to provide the strategic leadership, promotion, coordination, planning and oversight for the global uptake and implementation of the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF). In 2021, the group prioritized three goals for immediate action: improve communication, strengthen capacity development, and mobilize sustainable funding. To advance these goals, three work groups were created during the First Plenary Meeting on April 26-28, 2022. Since then, the HLG-IGIF has made significant progress on these priorities.

At the Third Plenary in January in Aguascalientes, Mexico, the HLG-IGIF reviewed and recommended updates to the Strategic Plan. The recommendations from the HLG-IGIF and attending partners included streamlining, prioritizing, and reducing duplication. As a result, the Strategic Plan was revised, reducing the number of goals from six to four by merging related goals.

During the upcoming Fourth Plenary Meeting, the HLG-IGIF Work Groups will present their accomplishments and proposed changes to their work plans based on the updated Strategic Plan. The HLG-IGIF will assess the progress and needs of the work groups, the United Nations Global Geospatial Knowledge and Innovation Centre (UN-GGKIC), the Regional Committees, and Member States advancing the UN-IGIF. This assessment will guide the finalization of the HLG-IGIF work plan, assuming a more strategic approach that considers the additional resources anticipated from the UN-GGKIC and UN-GGIM Secretariat later in 2024.

More information

For more information, please consult the [New York resource guide](#) for the Fourteenth Session of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management.

Provisional Agenda

- Agenda 1. (a) Welcome and Introductions
- Agenda 1. (b) Adoption of Agenda, Organization of the Meeting, Related Organizational Matters and Announcements
- Agenda 2. HLG-IGIF Business
- Agenda 3. UN-GGKIC Update
- Agenda 4. Work Group Updates
- Agenda 5. Regional Committee Chair Updates and Group Discussion
- Agenda 6. Member State Experiences Utilizing the UN-IGIF
- Agenda 7. Summary, Next Steps, and Close

Organization of the Meeting

The two days will be organized into four meeting sessions as follows:

Monday, 5 August 2024

Session 1: 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm

Session 2: 4:45 pm – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 6 August 2024

Session 3: 10:00 am – 11:15 am

Session 4: 11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Provisional Annotated Agenda

Monday, 5 August 2024

Session 1: 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm

3:00 pm - **Agenda 1. (a) Welcome and Introductions**
3:15 pm

Facilitated by:

Ms. Deirdre Dalpiaz Bishop, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Mr. Fernand Guy Isseri, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Agenda 1. (b) Adoption of Agenda, Organization of the Meeting, Related Organizational Matters and Announcements

Facilitated by:

Mr. Fernand Guy Isseri, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Notes:

(i) During this segment, the Co-Chairs will provide brief opening remarks, introduce new members of the HLG-IGIF, and highlight what is to be accomplished within the two days.

(ii) This segment will adopt the agenda for the fourth plenary meeting, agree on the organization of the meeting, and include any announcements by the UN-GGIM Secretariat.

3:15 pm – **Agenda 2. HLG-IGIF Business**
3:30pm

Presentation

Presenter:

Ms. Deirdre Dalpiaz Bishop, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Note:

- (i) This segment will provide an overview of outcomes, decisions, and recommendations from the third plenary meeting held in January in Aguascalientes, Mexico.*
- (ii) This segment will also include an overview of the updates made to the Strategic Plan and an update on upcoming HLG-IGIF meetings.*

3:30 pm – **Agenda 3. UN-GGKIC Update**
4:00 pm

Presentation and discussion

Presenter:

Dr. Pengde Li, Head of Centre, UN Global Geospatial Knowledge and Innovation Centre

Notes:

- (i) The Head of the UN-GGKIC will provide an update on the Strategic Plan, vision, next steps, and upcoming activities.*
- (ii) There will be an opportunity for the HLG-IGIF to ask questions following the update from the head of centre.*

4:00 pm – **Agenda 4. Work Group Updates**
4:15 pm

Presentations

Facilitated by:

Mr. Fernand Guy Isseri, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Presenter:

Dr. Mohammed Al Sayel/Mr. Mohammad Almabrook/Ms. Odete Semiao, Co-Leads, Sustainable Funding Work Group

Notes:

- (i) This segment discusses the progress and accomplishments of the HLG-IGIF work groups in advancing their work plans.*
- (ii) This segment will also consider proposed updates to the work plans for each work group based on the newly updated and approved HLG-IGIF Strategic Plan.*

4:15 pm – **Break**
4:45 pm

Session 2: 4:45 pm – 6:00 pm

4:45 pm – 5:55 pm **Agenda 4. Work Group Updates (continued)**

Presentations and discussion

Facilitated by:

Mr. Fernand Guy Isseri, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF

Presenters:

Mr. Marcelo Emery, Co-Lead, Capacity Development Work Group

Mr. Jamie Clark/Mr. Tandang Yuliadi Dwi Putra, Co-Leads, Communications Work Group

Notes:

(i) *This segment discusses the progress and accomplishments of the HLG-IGIF work groups in advancing their work plans.*

(ii) *This segment will also consider proposed updates to the work plans for each work group based on the newly updated and approved HLG-IGIF Strategic Plan.*

(iii) *There will be an opportunity for the HLG-IGIF to ask questions and provide input to the HLG-IGIF Co-Leads.*

5:55 pm – 6:00 pm **Day 1 Wrap-up**

The Co-Chairs will briefly summarize the discussions and quickly review the organization of the meeting for the next day.

Tuesday, 6 August 2024

Session 3: 10:00 am – 11:15 am

10:00 am **Day 2 Introduction**

The Co-Chairs will briefly recap key elements of the discussions from Day 1 and also recap the organization of the meeting for the day.

10:05 am – 11:15 am **Agenda 5. Regional Committee Chair Updates**

Presentations and facilitated discussion.

Facilitated by:

Mr. Jamie Clark, Co-Lead, Communications Work Group

Presenters:

Regional Committee Chairs and Presidents

Notes:

(i) *During the intersessional period, many Regional Committees have held their annual meetings, conducted UN-IGIF Workshops or SDG Data Alliance meetings. There have also been significant efforts by the Regional Committees to improve collaboration and the exchange of information and ideas to advance the UN-IGIF.*

- (ii) *This segment will include updates from the Regional Committee Chairs/Presidents on regional activities to enhance national geospatial information management leveraging the UN-IGIF since the Thirteenth Session, and their experiences sharing and collaborating across regions to advance and promote utilization of the UN-IGIF at the country level.*
- (iii) *The presentations will be followed by facilitated discussion on key topical areas of interest.*

11:15 am – **Break**
11:30 am

Session 4: 11:30 am – 12:45 pm

11:30 pm – **Agenda 6. Member State Experiences Utilizing the UN-IGIF**
12:35 pm

Presentations followed by facilitated open discussion.

Facilitated by:
TBD

Panelists:
Suggested panelists are:

- Mr. Erik Teguh Primiantoro (Indonesia)
- Mr. Mouhammad Abdullah Diallo (Senegal)
- Mr. Tion Uriam (Kiribati) (TBC)
- Mr. Fernand Isseri (Cameroon)

Notes:

- (i) *This segment will focus on presentations from Member States who will share their experiences utilizing the UN-IGIF across different domains to advance national priorities tied to the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.*
- (ii) *Presentations will be followed by discussion with Member States on their experiences utilizing the UN-IGIF.*

12:35 pm – **Agenda 7. Summary, Next Steps and Close**
12:45 pm

- (i) *The Co-Chairs of the HLG-IGIF will provide their summary of key takeaways, outcomes, and decisions of the meeting over the last two days, and discuss next steps for the HLG-IGIF.*
- (ii) *HLG-IGIF Co-Chairs will close the meeting.*