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Report of the Committee of Experts on its fifteenth session

Draft report

Rapporteur: Meizyanne Hicks (Fiji)

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee of Experts held its fifteenth session from 6 to 8 August 2025 at Headquarters. The Committee held six meetings (1st to 6th).

B. Election of officers

2. At its 1st meeting, on 6 August, the Committee of Experts elected the following officers by acclamation:

Co-Chairs:

Mohammed Yahya Alsayel (Saudi Arabia)

Clinton Heimann (South Africa)

Deirdre Dalpiaz Bishop (United States of America)

Rapporteur:

Meizyanne Hicks (Fiji)

C. Agenda and organization of work

3. At its 1st meeting, the Committee of Experts adopted its provisional agenda ([E/C.20/2025/1](#)) and approved the organization of work for the session ([E/C.20/2025/3](#)).



D. Attendance

4. The session was attended by ___ participants, including ___ representatives of ___ Member States and ___ representatives of ___ 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.

5. The Committee of Experts 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: Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf; Copernicus Regional Centre for Latin America and the Caribbean; EuroGeographics; European Association of Aerial Surveying Industries; European Association of Remote Sensing Companies; European Commission (Eurostat); International Association of Geodesy; International Cartographic Association; Open Geospatial Consortium; Pan American Institute of Geography and History; Aiwah Foundation, Inc.; Centre for Spatial Law and Policy; Open Source Geospatial Foundation; PVBLIC Foundation; Sustainable Development Solutions Network; World Geospatial Industry Council; Aligarh Muslim University; Center for Integrated Earth System Information, Columbia Climate School; City University of New York; Institute of Remote Sensing; National University of Singapore; New York University; Oakton High School; Politecnico di Milano; Richard Huish College; Taylor Geospatial Institute; Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; Toronto Metropolitan University; University Consortium for Geographic Information Science; University of Melbourne; University of the Republic; AfriGIS; AtlasAI; ConsultingWhere; East View Geospatial; Esri; Exquisite Geolocation Systems; Fugro; GeoDEV International; GEOSAT; Geospatial Intelligence Foundation of Nigeria; Geospatial World; GeoTechVision; GoodLands; Google; Hexagon; iSpatial Techno Solutions, Inc.; John Kedar Geospatial Initiatives, Ltd.; Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd.; Lake Champlain Basin Program; LinKay Technologies, Inc.; Location International; Lunate; Merkator Group BV; Overture Maps Foundation; PLACE; PROGRESPECT; Qen Labs Inc.; Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan; Synspective USA, Inc.; Taylor and Francis Group; Wall Enterprises; and Woolpert, Inc.

E. Documentation

6. The documents before the Committee of Experts are available from the Committee's website at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.