

Ninth Session of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

Forum on Future Trends in Geospatial Information Management

Tuesday 6 August 2019

3:00pm – 4:30pm

Venue: Conference Room 4 (CR-4, GA Building)
United Nations Headquarters, New York

Concept Note

Background

The “Future trends in geospatial information management: the five to ten year vision” report provides expert opinion on the mid to long-term developments in geospatial information and is a strategic insight document for all countries and the global geospatial information community. It is broad in nature, looking at emerging trends in technology, legal and policy, skills and training, the private and non-governmental sectors, and in the role of government.

The first edition of the report was endorsed by the Committee of Experts at its third session in July 2013. Noting the benefits gained and the changing dynamic of geospatial information, the report was revised in 2016. At its eighth session in 2018, and in order to keep pace with rapid technological change, the Committee of Experts requested that a third review should be undertaken. The third edition will provide updates and include key emerging trends not previously covered.

The Forum on Future Trends in Geospatial Information Management will highlight the current findings, knowledge gained, and knowledge gaps. Through an interactive workshop, the forum aims to refine the trends by (a) highlighting the trajectory of the key trends by level of impact and over time, and by (b) deliberating on the impact on countries and the global geospatial information community. In the context of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework, the forum endeavours to explore the impact of the trends on the Framework.

Once all contributing information and evidence is collated, we will commence and harmonise all responses and workshop contributions into the draft third edition which will be circulated in October/November 2019 for a global consultation for the draft third edition to undergo a broad and detailed review.

Forum Objectives

- Exploration of the key trends identified during the first and second review phase of the Future Trends report;
- Identification of key trends that have not yet been covered;
- Prioritisation of the key themes by forum attendees;
- Impact and trajectory assessment of the key trends on countries and the global geospatial information community; and,
- Analysis of how the trends impact on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.

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Proposed Agenda

TIME	DETAILS
OPENING SESSION	
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Welcome and Opening David Henderson (Executive Director, Ordnance Survey)
WORKSHOP SESSION	
3:15 – 4:20 pm	Workshop Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploration of the 15 key trends identified during the first and second review phase of the Future Trends report;• Identification of key trends that have not been covered;• Impact and trajectory assessment of the key trends on countries and the global geospatial information community; and,• Analysis of how the trends impact on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.
CLOSING SESSION	
4:20 – 4:30 pm	Way forward and closing remarks David Henderson (Executive Director, Ordnance Survey)

For more information, please contact:

The United Kingdom, through Ordnance Survey, and supported by UN-GGIM: Europe, has agreed to lead this review in close collaboration with the UN-GGIM Secretariat.

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