



4th Session of the Committee of Experts on UN-GGIM SIDE EVENT

Standards Workshop

Tuesday, 5 August 2014, 14:00-15:45
UN Headquarters, New York, Conf. Room B

Objectives

Member States and observers will be briefed on a series of guides and reports that will be made available during the UN-GGIM Session. Whilst providing an overview of the documents, the intent of the session is also to answer questions and facilitate discussion on the value and implementation of geospatial standards.

The documents being presented build on the content already provided in the background paper "*UN-GGIM Inventory Of Issues and Geographic Information Standardization*" at the July meetings in 2013 by the OGC, ISO & IHO and should be read in conjunction with this paper.

Workshop Outline

The workshop will be chaired by Mr. Peter ter Haar of the United Kingdom and will include presentations from the 3 organisations involved in the development of the documents.

1. Ms. Denise McKenzie – Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)
2. Mr. Robert Ward – International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
3. Mr. Olaf Østensen – International Standards Organization (ISO)

If there are any particular questions that members would like us to prepare for the session please feel free to contact the chair or any of the presenters to discuss.



"This is an open workshop and all Session Attendees are invited"

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Documents to be Discussed

At the session the follow documents will be discussed:

1. *A Guide to the Role of Standards in Geospatial Information Management*

A collaboration by the OGC, IHO & ISO, “the Guide” aims to provide guidance on the importance of standards implementation at the different tiers of maturity in the development of a national spatial data infrastructure.

2. *The Companion Document on Standards Recommendations by Tier*

This document is more technical in nature and is an indication of the existing standards provided by OGC, IHO & ISO and how they may be applied at the different tiers of spatial data infrastructure development.

3. *National Mapping Authority Perspective: International Geospatial Standards*

While not being formally presented to the Committee, this paper is an important advocacy and use case of geospatial standards utilised by two National Mapping Authorities (NMAs). It has been jointly developed by Ordnance Survey, UK and INEGI, Mexico with the intention of showing the value of investing in and utilising geospatial standards in their SDI environments.

Both the Guide and the Companion documents are now on the UN-GGIM website http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html along with the Summary Report on Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community.

Organizers

The workshop is being coordinated by the UN-GGIM Secretariat and the Open Geospatial Consortium, with the support of the International Hydrographic Organization and the International Standards Organization.

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