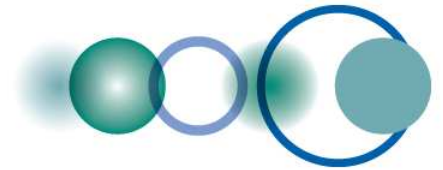




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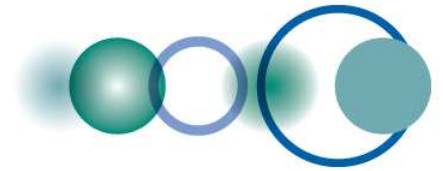


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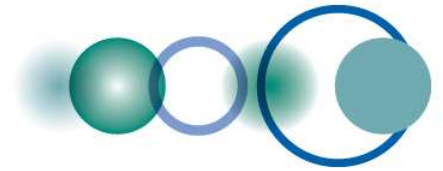




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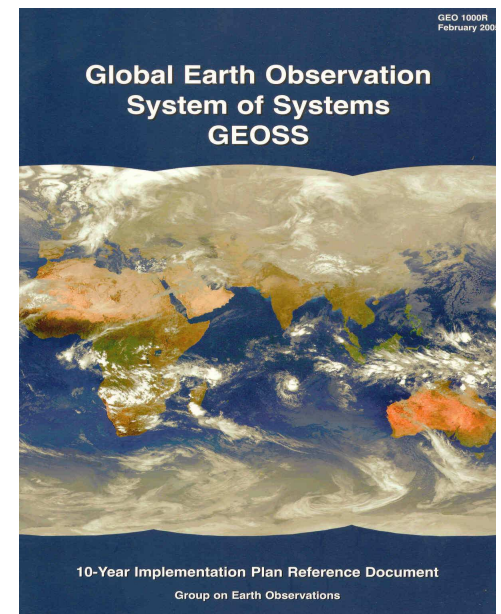
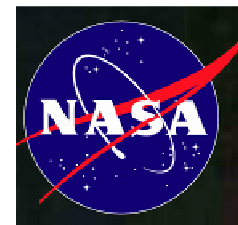
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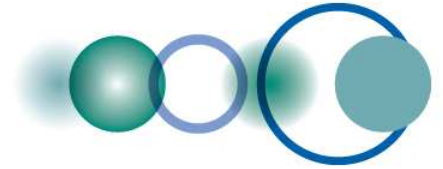




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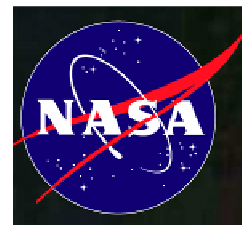
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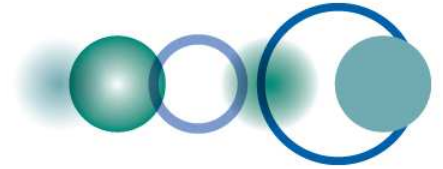


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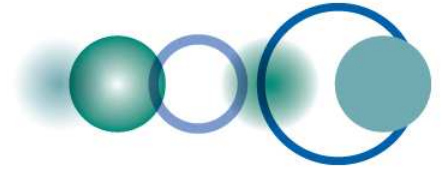


Our goal at this meeting

- 1- Draft GEO BON concept document: Discuss & reach agreement on this document
- 2- Produce a draft implementation plan
- 3- Plan initial steps of implementation

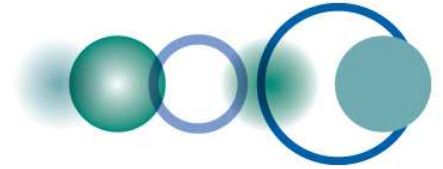
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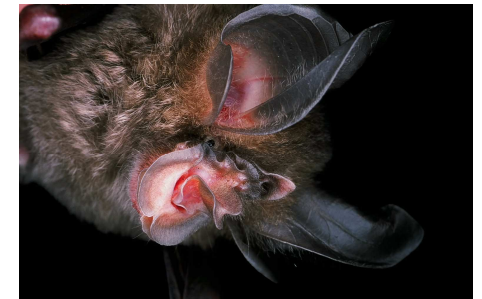
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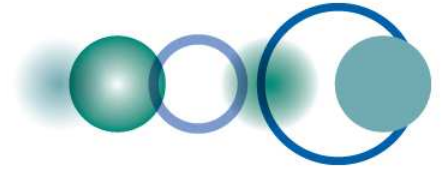
- Everyone having a stake in biodiversity monitoring:
 - Governments representatives (GEO)
 - International programmes / organisations
 - Academic institutions
- GEO BON will result from our coordinated actions



Added value GEO BON

- To provide a global, scientifically robust framework for observations on the detection of biodiversity change
- To coordinate the data gathering and the delivery of information
- To ensure long term continuity of data supply (operational observations)
- To provide a set of innovative and relevant products.



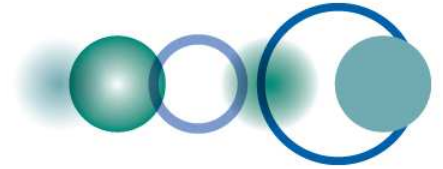


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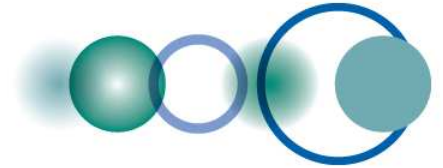




Working groups

- WG1: User needs/ Data products
- WG2: Scientific issues
- WG3: Data
- WG4: Network/Govern.
- WG5: Business Plan
- WG6: Capacity Bldg





Agenda

**GEO BON
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Implementation

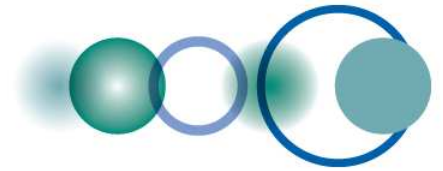
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Desired Outcomes:

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- 2- Draft Implementation Plan
- 3- A set of actions to initiate implementation

**Introduction to
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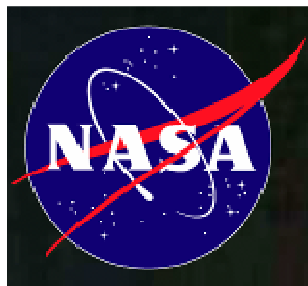


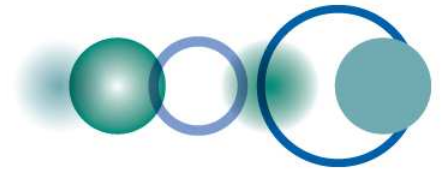
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Tonight : Potsdam biosphere



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