

***GEO Work Programme Symposium 2016: Session2
Meeting Room: Salle Obassi***

Session Title The GEO Strategic Plan 2016-2025: Implementing GEOSS

When Monday 2 May 2016 9.15-10.30

1) Purpose: background, topic and objectives of the session

- a) *The purpose of the session is to present to the GEO community the new GEO Strategic Plan 2016-2025: Implementing GEOSS and to collect inputs on approaches and priorities for its implementation.*
- b) *The new GEO Strategic Plan 2016-2025: Implementing GEOSS has been endorsed by the GEO Mexico City Ministerial Summit in November 2015 and defines the overall strategic objective, Advocate, Engage, Deliver as well as the GEO core functions to be implemented in the decade.*
- c) *Objectives: The main added value of the session for the GEO Community will be to reflect on the GEO 2016-2025 SP thus also ensuring a common understanding of the new implementation arrangements defined by the Plan itself.*

2) Key questions to be addressed in the session

- *Is the SBA concept understood?*
- *GEO Core Functions. Are the implications for their implementation fully understood?*
- *Are the new Implementation mechanisms and their implications fully understood?*
- *Are the differences among different mechanisms and the associated implications clear?*
- *Are the Terms of Reference for the newly established Programme Board clear?*

3) Expected outcomes from the session

There may be recommendations on better definition of SP provisions, to be brought forward for consideration.

4) Format of the session and expected audience

Presentations + discussion time

5) Speakers

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1	Douglas Cripe	GEO Secretariat
2	Giovanni Rum	GEO Secretariat
3	Tim Haig	EEA, PB Co-chair

6) Chairpersons and Rapporteurs

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Organisation</i>
Chair:	Barbara Ryan	GEO Secretariat
Rapp:	Douglas Cripe	GEO Secretariat

7) Session timeline

9.00 – 9.15		Introduction by the Chair
9.15 – 9.30	1	The Strategic Plan 2016-25 part A and part B
9.30 – 9.45	2	GEO Implementation Mechanisms
9.45 – 10.00	3	Programme Board Terms of Reference, status of the work and way forward
10.00 – 10.30		Q&A session