

GEO-XIII Plenary Objectives and preliminary Agenda

1 GEO-XIII PLENARY OBJECTIVES

- 1. To report and reflect upon implementation of actions and commitments expressed in both the "GEO Strategic Plan 2016-2025: Implementing GEOSS" and the Mexico City Ministerial Declaration, specifically items # 6-12 (see attached).
- 2. To inform and engage Plenary delegations by showcasing GEO Flagships, Initiatives and Foundational Tasks as GEO success stories, and inviting additional contributions (*in kind* and/or in cash) from GEO Members and Participating Organizations to ensure continued and identifiable progress in, and achievement of, these actions, as well as to identify common challenges, trends and/or gaps faced by the community in delivering information to decision-makers.
- 3. To strengthen engagement of GEO Members and Participating Organizations with a focus on NGOs, Foundations, Development Banks, UN Organizations and with the commercial sector by the adoption and implementation of GEO's Engagement Strategy.
- 4. To discuss, provide input and approve the 2017-2019 Work Programme, thereby strengthening Member and Participating Organization understanding of, and commitment to, GEO activities.

The agenda will be constructed in order to foster discussion and increase interactions.



2 GEO-XIII PLENARY PROPOSED AGENDA STRUCTURE



	AM 1	AM 2	PM 1	PM 2
DAY 1 9 Nov	Opening Session and Welcome Remarks;	Advancing the vision of GEO		Commercial sector session
	Approval of Agenda;	(Three sessions, linked by a storyline)		(Agenda being defined by a
	Approval of Draft Report of GEO-XII;	11111 6 4111 (5 61111 6 111 6 511 6 6), 6 2 6 6 6 11 111		dedicated Executive
	Welcome of New Members;	Panel session: Global Initiatives		Committee subgroup))
	Welcome of New POs	Panel session: GEOSS Implementation		
DAY 2 10 Nov	Programme Board	Budget Working Group	Strengthening Members and	Rules of Procedure update.
	• Programme Board 2016 Presentation;	• 2015 financial statements;	PO's engagement	Summary of actions
	SDGs analysis initial results	• 2016 Report income/expenditure	 Engagement Strategy: 	GEO-XIV
	Work Programme 2017-2019	2017 proposed budget	Presentation and	
	• WP 2017-2019 Presentation	Pledges to the GEO Trust Fund	endorsement	
	General discussion	Work Programme 2017-2019 and	 Engagement Priorities 	
	Members and POs confirm	budget 2017 Approval	for 2017-19 discussion	
	contributions	2017-19 Programme Board	and endorsement	
		Composition	General discussion	

Remarks

- Commercial sector guests will be invited to join starting from AM-2 session. They are also invited to the reception on 9 November and to attend side events on 7-8 November
- Members and PO will be requested to provide written statements two weeks in advance. Statements will be made available through interactive mechanisms.
- The discussion at the session "Advancing the vision of GEO" will be supported by a number of Plenary Reports/Fact sheets (for information), to provide additional background information to delegates to facilitate an active participation to the discussion.
- The session "Strengthening Members and PO's engagement", beyond its main objectives, would represent an opportunity for the Russian Federation host to present their GEO engagement.