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Report of the working groups.

REPORTS OF THE WORKING GROUPS

Report of the Working Group on Publicity and Funding*

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The Working Group on Publicity and Funding held a joint meeting with the Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation in Seoul, Republic of Korea, on 27th October 2011. Amongst the seven participants and three observers present were the Chair and two Vice-Chairs of UNGEGN.

This meeting was held in association with the UN First High Level Forum on Global Geospatial Information Management which offered an opportunity to showcase the work of UNGEGN through the mounting of an exhibition and the presentation of a series of lunchtime talks.

At the Working Group meeting, updates to the Working Group's page on the website were made and a suggestion that the UNGEGN entry in Wikipedia should be updated and augmented was also agreed. It was noted that UN Statistical Division funding for training activities would continue within the constraints of the budget, with special emphasis on providing support for participants from developing countries. The meeting invited the UN Statistics Division to consider providing support for two or three participants from developing countries attending the 10th Conference in New York.

If any other Working Groups or Divisions are planning publications between 2012 and 2017, could they please inform the Convenor of the Working Group on Publicity and Funding so that a general resolution can be prepared for the Secretariat indicating the funding needs to be allocated.

David Munro and Botoly Helleland intimated that they would be stepping down as Convenor and Rapporteur of the Working Group on Publicity and Funding. At the UN Conference and UNGEGN Session to be held in July-August 2012, the convenorship will pass to Peder Gammeltoft who is also currently Convenor of the Norden Division.

The next meeting of the Working Group will be held in New York during the week of the 10^{th} UN Conference.