

Summary of the informal geodetic consultations conducted in conjunction with the 19th UNRCC-AP, Bangkok, 2 November 2012, follows:

- Supported by the United Nations Statistic Division, an informal consultation on global geodetic infrastructure was held with the objective of bringing geodetic experts together with senior managers and policy makers to:
 - emphasize the role of the government in supporting the International Terrestrial Reference Frame (ITRF); and to
 - develop a roadmap for future action addressing global geodetic infrastructure, including identifying pathways for improved infrastructure development and geodetic data sharing.
- Led jointly by Japan and Australia, these discussions were attended by government geodetic representatives from Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Chile, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, South Africa and Thailand; the NGO organisations International Association of Geodesy (IAG), AFREF, SIRGAS and the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG); and the leading geospatial companies Trimble Navigation and ESRI.
- A roadmap for future action addressing global geodetic infrastructure including identifying pathways for improved infrastructure development and geodetic data sharing in the region was discussed.
- It was agreed that the geodetic questionnaire will be prepared by the UNGGIM-AP geodetic experts and will focus on:
 - Measuring societal reliance on the ITRF, including ITRF adoption for national datums
 - Measuring participation and understanding of the Global Geospatial Observing System (GGOS) including the International GNSS Service (IGS)
 - Identifying impediments (legal, administrative, business, resourcing, etc) that currently limit data sharing and participation in the Global Geodetic Observing System (GGOS)
- It was agreed that the responses to the questionnaire will provide an evidence base for future action within the United Nations.

Actions for UNGGIM-AP WG 1

1. The UNGGIM-AP Geodesy Working Group (WG1) to finalise questionnaire for distribution by the UNGGIM Secretariat in early December.
2. The results to be summarised by the UNGGIM-AP WG1 and a discussion paper/presentation will be prepared for presentation at Doha at the HLF.
3. UNGGIM-AP WG1 to assist with the development of a Geodetic Roadmap for presentation to GGIM 3 in July 2013.

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