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Report of the Committee of Experts on its ninth session

Draft report

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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee of Experts held its ninth session from 7 to 9 August 2019 at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The Committee held six meetings (1st to 6th).

B. Election of officers

2. At its 1st meeting, held on 7 August 2019, the Committee of Experts elected the following officers by acclamation:

Co-Chairs:

Fernand Guy Isseri (Cameroon)

Dorine Burmanje (Netherlands)

Rosamond Bing (Tonga)

Rapporteur:

Macarena Pérez (Chile)

C. Agenda and organization of work

3. At its 1st meeting, held on 7 August, the Committee of Experts adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [E/C.20/2020/1](#). The agenda read as follows:



1. Election of officers.
 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
 3. Strengthening of geospatial information management.
 4. Contribution of regional committees and thematic groups to the global geospatial information agenda.
 5. Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.
 6. Global geodetic reference frame.
 7. Geospatial information for sustainable development.
 8. Integration of geospatial, statistical and other related information.
 9. Application of geospatial information related to land administration and management.
 10. Marine geospatial information.
 11. Geospatial information and services for disasters.
 12. Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data.
 13. Global fundamental geospatial data themes.
 14. National institutional arrangements in global geospatial information management.
 15. Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community.
 16. Collaboration with the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.
 17. Programme management report.
 18. Provisional agenda and dates for the tenth session of the Committee of Experts.
 19. Report of the Committee of Experts on its ninth session.
4. At the same meeting, the Committee of Experts approved the organization of the work for the session, as contained in document [E/C.20/2020/CRP.2](#).

D. Attendance

5. The session was attended by ___ participants, including ___ representatives from ___ Member States and ___ representatives from ___ non-Member States. Also present were ___ representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations. The list of participants is available from the website of the Committee of Experts at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.
6. The Committee invited the following non-governmental organizations and other entities, which do not have consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, to participate in the work of the session as observers: American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing; Booz Allen Hamilton; CARTO; Centre for Spatial Law and Policy; Clinton Health Access Initiative, Inc.; College of Charleston/Dublin Business School, Ireland; Columbia University, United States; ConsultingWhere; DataWorld; Davacc Tech Ltd.; Digital Globe; Esri; EuroGeographics; European

Space Agency; Geospatial Frameworks; Geospatial Media and Communications Pvt. Ltd.; GeoTechVision; GeoThings; Global Innovations Holdings Inc.; Global Resources Management Consultancy Inc.; Group on Earth Observations Secretariat; Health GeoLab Collaborative; International Association of Geodesy; International Cartographic Association; Jeju National University, Republic of Korea; Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd.; Leuven University, Belgium; Location International Ltd.; Lynker Technologies; National Society of Professional Surveyors, United States; National Technical University of Athens; OceanWise; Open Geospatial Consortium; Oracle; Oregon State University, United States; Pan American Institute of Geography and History; PASCO Corporation; Riegl; Sen; Spatial Vision; Sustainable Development Solutions Network; Taylor & Francis Group; Ter Haar Geoinnovation Limited; Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, United States; Tim Trainor Consultant; TomTom; Trimble; University of Maine, United States; University of Melbourne, Australia; University of Mexico; University of New Brunswick, Canada; University of Twente, Netherlands; Vital Wave; and World Geospatial Industry Council.

E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Committee of Experts at its ninth session are available from the website of the Committee of Experts at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.
