

# Key Outcomes and Actions from the 51<sup>st</sup> Executive Committee Meeting

**17<sup>th</sup> GEO Programme Board Meeting**

**GEO Secretariat**

**Agenda Item 1.3**

Geneva, Switzerland

11-12 June 2020

# Key Outcomes and Actions Affecting the PB

## 2.2 GEO Secretariat Engagement Plan for 2020

- ExCom requested that stronger links be established between the engagement priorities and the GWP, primarily through the Climate Change WG and the DRR WG.

## 3.1 Strategy for Implementing the Canberra Agreement

- Established an Advisory Group to propose a strategy for engaging Pacific island nations, the AG to be open to participation by non-members of the ExCom and to POs.
- Recognized the establishment of the PB Private Sector subgroup and will look to this group to provide strategic guidance on engagement of SMMEs.
- Action 51.3: PB to include in the ToRs of its Private Sector SG specific attention to article 16 of the Canberra Declaration including the “need to create opportunities for SMMEs to leverage Earth observations”.

# Key Outcomes and Actions Affecting the PB

## 4.3 GEO Resource Mobilization 2020 Strategy Outline

- ExCom supported the general approach which was proposed.
- Stated their interest to better leverage existing projects, improve the visibility of these projects, and ensure better integration across the GEO community.

## 5.1 Report of the Programme Board

- For information only. No comments received.

## 5.2 Terms of Reference of the Working Groups

- Approved the ToRs for the four WGs, as distributed.
- Requested that the Data WG take account of the FAIR principles in its work.
- Suggested that greater consistency be sought in the Duties across the ToRs in any future revisions.
- Encouraged nominations to the PB Equality, Diversity and Inclusion SG, especially to reflect greater regional and gender balance.

# Key Outcomes and Actions Affecting the PB

## 6.2 GEO Week 2020

- Recommended that GEO Week 2020 address how GEO (and EO) might contribute to informing the response and recovery to COVID-19 and similar future challenges, in part to highlight the value of existing GWP activities.

## 7.1 Proposed Removal of Participating Organizations with No Recent Engagement

- Approved removal of seven organizations named in the document.
- IISL, IHO, WFPHA, EUREC, Biodiversity International, BSC-PS, LMI

## 7.3 Review of Applications for Associate Category

- Accepted the Centre for Spatial Law and Policy and GEOTERRAIMAGE Ltd.

# Thank You

---

Communicate and Collaborate with GEO:

