



State of Affairs & Achievements of the GEO CD-WG

Presentation to the PB

3 September 2020



GEO CD-WG

A GEO STRATEGY ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY THE PROGRAMME BOARD IN 2019

A needs-oriented, holistic and impact-driven approach to Capacity Development



12th Programme Board Meeting – 7-8 February 2019

PB-12.15

Toward a GEO Strategy for Capacity Development

This document is submitted to the Program Board for discussion.

1 INTRODUCTION

Capacity building has been a feature of GEO Work Plans and Work Programmes throughout its existence. Over the last few years, GEO's efforts on capacity building have been coordinated and facilitated by the Capacity Building Working Group (CBWG), which operates within the framework of the Capacity Building Coordination Foundational Task. This Foundational Task was established to support the realization of the GEO Capacity Building Strategy and currently coordinates the capacity

The WG-CD is convened to facilitate GEO's efforts on CD and will support the translation of the Canberra Declaration into concrete actions within the GEO Work Programme.

PURPOSE

- Support GEO Flagships, Initiatives and Regional GEOs
- Develop CD tools and methodologies
- Collect & share good practices
- Organize seminars, teleconferences, side-events
- Implement impact assessments

DUTIES

One co-chair of the former WG

Nancy Searby: Manager of the Capacity Building Program (CBP) for NASA Earth Science Division's Applied Sciences Program.

Out of 7 nominations, two co-chairs have been newly appointed based on a virtual election process.

Allison Craddock: International Association of Geodesy (IAG), GGOS External Relations Manager, IGS Central Bureau Director

Hanna Albrecht: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Advisor

One GEO Secretariat CD coordinator, seconded by ITC (one day a week)

Joost Teuben: Senior Policy Officer CD, ITC

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CD-WG MEMBERS & SUBGROUPS

The WG has currently 54+ members (21 females, 32 male, 1 not determined)

The Working Group established 3 subgroups to assist in fulfilling its duties.

Subgroup 1: GEO mapping and needs assessment (lead Hanna Albrecht)

Subgroup 2: Collecting, sharing and developing CD tools (lead Allison Craddock)

Subgroup 3: Organizing dissemination events, M&E and impact assessment (lead Nancy Searby)

	CapDev
GEO Member	37
GEO Participating Organization	13
GEO Associate	4
GEO Programme Board	4
Total	58

PB members: Allison Craddock, Charles Mwangi, Amos Kabo-Bah, Bente Bye, and Imran Khan

	CapDev
Africa	12
Americas	18
Asia-Oceania	9
Commonwealth of Independent States	0
Europe	15
Total	54

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CD-WG ACHIEVEMENTS

CD-WG FIRST SESSION (26 MAY 2020): Introduction to GEO and Work Programme, presentation of WG ToR, co-chair election process, working arrangements, Q&A and discussion

CO-CHAIR MEETINGS: Three meetings organized to discuss working arrangements, draft action plan

SURVEY DEVELOPMENT: Survey to understand the engagement of the WG members with the GEO Work Programme & draft template for GEO community CD needs assessment

CD-WG WEBSITE: Development of a CD-WG website for communication, information and sharing

CD-WG SECOND SESSION (31 AUGUST 2020): subgroup action plans, overview of GEO involvement of members, communication schedule

FIRST TARGETED JOINT MEETING WITH BLUE PLANET: this will help us establish the framework for future WP component supportive interactions.

SUPPORT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CD GUIDELINES FOR THE GEOGLAM CD-WG

SUPPORT TO THE LDN INITIATIVE (WG 1: CD)