

# Proposal for Foundational Tasks of GWP 2023-2025

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# Proposed Foundational Tasks 23-25



GEO Work Programme  
Coordination



Engagement Priorities  
Coordination and Integration



Data and Knowledge  
Management



## Guidance from PB-25

- Map and provide the rationale for changes
- Reflect the operational services provided by GEO Members
- Propose refined Foundational Tasks, components and implementing bodies

| Foundational Tasks 2020-2022              | Foundational Tasks 2023-2025  |
|---|---|
| GEO Work Programme Support                | GEO Work Programme Coordination   |
| Programme Board Support                   | Programme Board Support   |
| GEO Work Programme Development            | GEO Work Programme Post-2025 Incubators   |
| GEO Work Programme Monitoring and Liaison | GEO Work Programme Progress and Impact Monitoring   |
| GEO Work Programme Capacity Development   | Capacity Sharing for Uptake of GEO Work Programme Outputs and GEO Members' Operational Services |
|   | GEO Work Programme Toolkit Development  |
|   | Advancing Equality, Diversity and Inclusiveness in GEO Work Programme                           |

| Foundational Tasks 2020-2022           | Foundational Tasks 2023-2025   |
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| GEO Engagement Priorities Coordination | GEO Engagement Priorities Coordination and Integration                 |
| GEO Engagement Priorities Coordination | Engagement of GEO Work Programme in Global Policy Frameworks           |
| Commercial Sector Engagement           |  |
| Communications                         |  |
| Resource Mobilization                  |  |
|  | Integration across GEO Engagement Priorities                           |
|  | Promotion of Key Programmatic Directions in GEO Work Programme         |
|  | Reinforcement of GEO Work Programme's Connections with National Policy |

| Foundational Tasks 2020-2022                                | Foundational Tasks 2023-2025               |
|---|--|
| <b>GEOSS Data, Information and Knowledge Resources</b>      | <b>Data and Knowledge Management</b>       |
| Satellite Observations                                      | Satellite Data Access and Use Coordination |
| In situ Observations  | In Situ Data Access and Use Coordination   |
| Modelling   | Modelling                                  |
| Advancing GEOSS Data Sharing and Data Management Principles | Advancing Data Sharing and Management      |
| <b>GEOSS Infrastructure Development</b>                     |  |
| GEOSS Platform Operation                                    | GEO Infrastructure Operation               |
| Support GEO Community Data and Information Needs            |  |
| GEO Knowledge Hub Development                               |  |
| GEONETCast Operation  |  |
| GEOSS Platform Documentation                                |  |
| GEOSS Infrastructure Evolution                              | GEO Infrastructure Evolution               |

| Foundational Tasks 2020-2022   | Foundational Tasks 2023-2025 |
|--|------------------------------|
| GEO Secretariat Operations   | N/A                          |
| Management of the GEO Trust Fund   |                              |
| Management of Secretariat Human Resources                                  |                              |
| Conference and Meeting Management  |                              |
| Relations with GEO Members, Participating Organizations and GEO Associates |                              |
| Coordination of GEO Evaluations  |                              |

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  - GEO Work Programme Toolkit Development
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- **GEO Engagement Priorities Coordination and Integration**
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  - Integration across GEO Engagement Priorities
  - Promotion of Key Programmatic Directions in GEO Work Programme
  - Reinforcement of GEO Work Programme's Connections with National Policy
- **Data and Knowledge Management**
  - Satellite Data Access and Use Coordination
  - In Situ Data Access and Use Coordination
  - Modelling
  - Advancing Data Sharing and Management
  - GEO Infrastructure Operation
  - GEO Infrastructure Evolution



# Thoughts behind the changes

- Adjustment based best practices and lessons – fit for purpose
- Reflection of the original function of Foundational Tasks – Enabler
- Reflection of the Post-2025 direction: how to support an accelerated transition from research outputs to operational services, as well as a focused, user-centred and impact-driven GEO Work Programme that advances GEO as the go-to entity for global Earth observation-based solutions.
- A strengthened GWP team as a result of restructuring of GEO Secretariat
- Joint WG survey recommendations
- Reviving of GIDTT (under oversight of ExCOM)



# Next steps and timeline

- 15-16 June 2023 (26th PB): Programme Board consultation on a detailed description of the Foundational Tasks and implementing models.
- Mid-June to mid-July: GEO Work Programme consultation on Foundational Tasks
- Mid-June to mid-August: Revision/Development of ToRs of Working Groups and Community of Practices
- July 2023: ExCom consultation on Foundational Tasks
- September 2023 (27th PB): Programme Board approval of the Foundational Tasks
- 6-10 November (GEO-19 Plenary): Plenary endorsement of Foundational Tasks of the GEO Work Programme 2023-2025