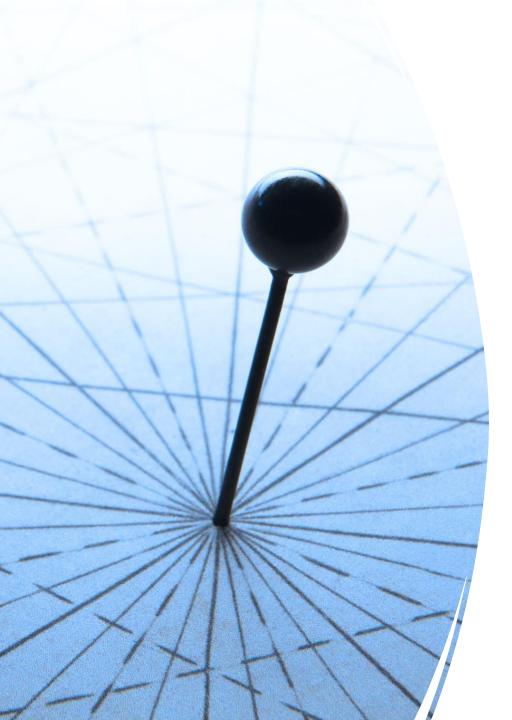


# National Coordination Mechanism for the GWP

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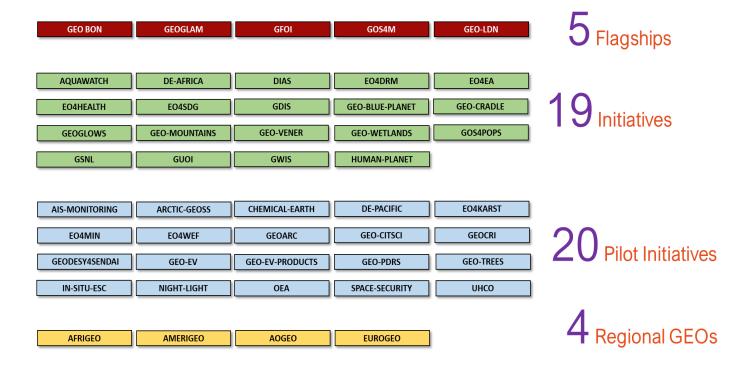


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## Overview – GEO Work Programme (GWP)

- Core of GEO's effort to improve open Earth observations' (EO) availability, access, and use.
- Primary instrument for collaboration among the GEO community on activities to realize GEO's Mission and Vision.
- Opportunity for countries to access EO data, tools and services for decision-making and to address challenges
- Impact-driven GWP at the country level may require an anchor in the form of an effective national coordination mechanism (NCM)



## National Coordination Mechanism (NCM)

 Structure or system set up to help coordination and collaboration among various stakeholders to deliver identified national priorities

 Stakeholders may include government agencies, the private sector, civil society, and nongovernmental organizations.

• Examples of national coordination mechanisms in different countries

- National Steering Committees
- National Tasks Teams
- National Information Sharing and Analysis Centers
- Inter-Ministerial Committees
- National Emergency Team
- National GEOs





# A National Coordination Mechanism for Earth Observation

**Reduces duplication** 



Harmonizes data and brings coherency



Facilitates fit-for-purpose data and services



Promotes codevelopment and ownership



Leverages existing capacities



Maximizes return on investment





# **GEO Efforts through NCM**

- GEO National Coordination Mechanism Strategy
  - > Documentation of National GEOs' experience
    - Canada GEO; China GEO; Japan GEO; SA GEO;
       UK GEO; US GEO
- National GEO side events and sessions
  - > Physical meetings
  - Virtual peer-to-peer meetings
- Strengthening/ establishing coordination for demand-driven and impact-oriented national GEOs
- Guidance document on strengthening/ establishing national GEO (In progress)



# GEO Work Programme Opportunities for National GEOs

- GWP resources as guidance and framework
- Resources for capacity development (data and services)
- Foster partnerships to co-design and coimplement initiatives
- Active participation in GWP activities by pooling resources, and expertise
- Provide policy recommendations based on the latest scientific knowledge and EO data.



#### Resources

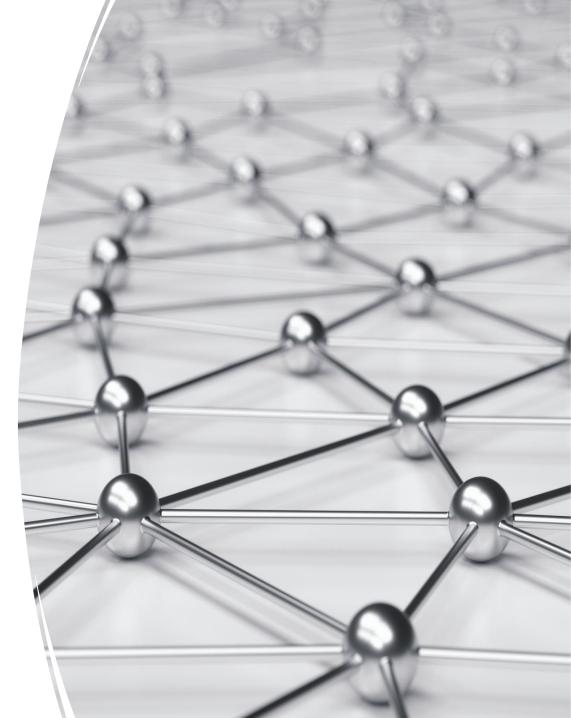
- GEO Work Programme
  - Activities Flagships, Initiatives, Pilots
  - Working Groups
  - Regional GEOS
- GEO Knowledge Hub
- EO Maturity Indicator Methodology
- GEO Data Management and Sharing Principles
- GEO Secretariat Support
  - National Coordination Mechanism Strategy
  - Guidance Document for National GEO
  - National GEO Virtual Meetings -Learning and knowledge exchange calls
  - Partnerships among GEO Participating Organisatons (POs) and GWP Activities. E.g GPSDD and GEO LDN





# How do National GEOs Support the GEO Work Programme?

- Data Collection and Sharing with the GEO community e.g., US GEO; UK GEO, SA GEO
- Policies and strategies aligned with GEO's objectives e.g., Canada GEO - Strategy for Satellite Earth Observation, Japan GEO - 10-year Implementation Policy on Earth Observations
- Mobilizing resources for GEO projects and initiatives e.g., Canada; UK; US; South Africa
- Capacity building and training programs to enhance GEOrelated skills and knowledge
- Support for GWP e.g. US GEO Programme Board, Engagement Team, GEOGLoWS, Working Groups, UK GEO - Programme Board, GEOGLAM, Working Groups



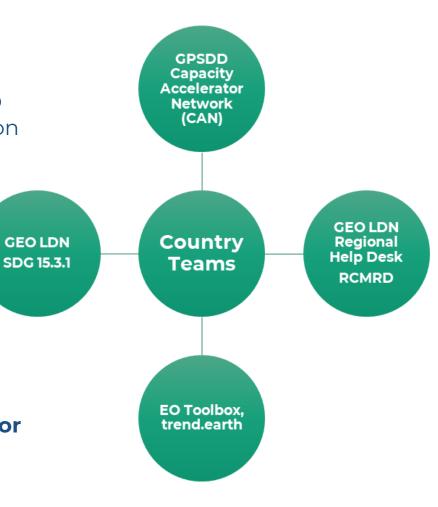
# GEO Flagship Country Coordination

# **GEO Land Degradation Neutrality (GEO LDN)** –

Supports the provision and use, of EO datasets to achieve SDG target 15.3.1 on Land Degradation Neutrality

Leverage Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD) – Capacity Accelerator Network (CAN)

Deploy GEO LDN tools, and training resources with the support of the Regional Help Desk at the Regional Centre For Mapping Of Resources For Development (RCMRD)



# National GEO Challenges and Opportunities

- Mandate
- Funding
- Leadership Buy-In
- Sustained Engagement
- Multiple Levels of Involvement

# National GEOs – Insights and Experiences

# Canada GEO, China GEO, Japan GEO, SA GEO, US GEO and UK GEO

- Creating a forum for agency collaboration on GEO activities
- Enabling countries' representation and consistent messaging to GEO
- Increasing cost-effectiveness and other efficiencies through collaboration and joint funding
- Developing joint workforce training programs (ex. InterAmerican Academy)
- Agencies are involved in several Work Programme Activities and Programme Boards and Working Groups



#### **National GEOs can**

- Help establish mechanisms for coordinating sharing and using GWP resources
- Promote collaboration among national stakeholders, encouraging them to work together on GEO-related initiatives.
- National projects and initiatives are aligned with the priorities and objectives of the GEO Work Programme.
- Serve as advocates for GWP and its objectives at the national level
- Enable more inclusive and effective GEO Work Programme engagement and review

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