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MEMBER STATES

**UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL GEOSPATIAL
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT FOR THE AMERICAS
(UN-GGIM: AMERICAS)**

Distinguished Representatives of UN-GGIM: Americas,

As Minister of National Assets of the Republic of Chile, it is my honour officially submit our country's application to take on the roles of President and Executive Secretary of UN-GGIM: Americas for the period 2025–2029.

Under Chile's leadership in the current Presidency, UN-GGIM: Americas has consolidated itself as an active, inclusive, and representative Regional Committee, with solid governance and an increasing participation of its Member States.

Over the past four years, Chile has promoted regional cooperation, strengthened the interoperability and standardisation of geospatial data, and enhanced the technical capacities of Member States. This has fostered the use of geospatial information as a strategic resource for decision-making, sustainable development, and the resilience of societies across the Americas.

It is also important to note that under this leadership, UN-GGIM: Americas has made significant contributions to the UN-GGIM Global Working Groups. The organisation has also actively supported the implementation of the United Nations Centres of Excellence and maintained a leading role in the High-Level Group on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (HLG-IGIF).

Considering the above, we suggest that the Presidency and Executive Secretariat of UN-GGIM: Americas for the period 2025–2029 should stay with the people who hold the positions of Executive Secretariat and International Coordination of SNIT - IDE Chile, of the Ministry of National Assets. These people are Sofia Nilo Crisostomo and Pamela Castillo Retamales, who currently hold these positions.

If we are re-elected, we reaffirm our complete dedication to carry on this work, strengthening not only regional cooperation but also the worldwide presence of UN-GGIM: Americas. Our aspiration is the consolidation of this Committee as an inclusive, collaborative, and regionally led space that promotes the strategic role of geospatial information in addressing the common challenges faced by our societies.



For the Ministry of National Assets, particularly the Executive Secretariat of the National Territorial Information Coordination System (SNIT) and the Geospatial Data Infrastructure of Chile (IDE Chile), promoting collaborative approaches and multisector integration capacity is essential. This contributes to strengthening governance and evidence-based decision-making, building on the experience gained in standardising geospatial data in Chile.

We firmly believe that continuity in these roles is consistent with the institutional vision, thus consolidating a shared approach to strengthening spatial data infrastructures as vital tools for tackling global challenges.

We appreciate your consideration of this candidacy, and we reiterate Chile's full commitment to continuing to work closely in support of the work of this Committee.

Please accept my most sincere and distinguished regards.



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