



## Session confirmation form

The International Advisory Committee (IAC) for the United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress thanks you again for the proposal you submitted. Session organizers are kindly asked to complete this short form to confirm the session title, provide a brief session description (no longer than 150 words) and the list of session contributors by **August 31, 2018**. This information is needed for the program that will be posted on the Congress website.

When completing the form and for communicating with the IAC regarding your session, please use your contact email address.

As reference, the following link will direct you to the UN World Geospatial Information Congress programme descriptions page: <http://ggim.un.org/unwgic/documents/programme-2.jpg>

### \* Required

1. Email address (submitter):\*

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### Session ID and session organizer information

Please use the Session Title in the session proposal acceptance email.

2. Session Title \*

Promoting the strengthening of national geospatial information systems through local, national, regional and global articulation in the Americas.

3. Session organizer's full name \*

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## Session title and description

7. Thematic Area accepted or assigned by the Programme Committee \*

*Mark only one box.*

- TA 1. Measuring and Monitoring the SDGs
- TA 2. Digital Economy, Location Analytics and Big Data
- TA 3. Smart, Resilient and Sustainable Societies
- TA 4. Growing Global Geospatial Capability and Capacity
- TA 5. Geospatial Innovation, Science and Technology
- TA 6. Digital Silk Road and International Partnerships
- TA 7. Sustainable Development in Action

8. Session description (no more than 150 words) \*

The session will examine the global approaches embodied in the global strategic framework of UN-GGIM 2018-2021, and its materialization in the proposal of a national geospatial strategic framework that will serve as guidance for the implementation of these components in a national regional context and subnational.

The session will analyze the work areas addressed in the Americas to promote the development of geospatial information management, with reference to the global strategy, within the framework of the planning and roadmaps of the Regional Committee UN-GGIM: Americas and ECLAC. Complementary, regional assessments will be shared on the progress of the countries in the implementation of their national geospatial data infrastructures (SDI) and also in relation to the current situation of the national processes.

The session will share national experiences in the implementation of geospatial information frameworks and the analysis of their components in diverse subjects such as institutional arrangements, legal frameworks, technological platforms, availability of geospatial data, use of standards and capacity building, among others.

The session will demonstrate ongoing initiatives for the documentation and dissemination of good practices in the management of geospatial information, as a tool to strengthen communication and collaboration among the countries of the region in support of national processes.

9. Session format (no more than 20 words – *(Example: Keynote speaker, followed by 5-person panel and audience questions)* \*)

The session will consider a key note presentation followed by 5-personal panel and audience feedback

## Chair/moderator and panelists/speakers

Please identify the chair/moderator and list of panelists/speakers the session organizer has contacted to be part of the session and have given at least a "soft" confirmation of their participation. Kindly provide their full name, affiliation, and email address separated by comma (ex. John Doe, UNSD, [name@un.org](mailto:name@un.org)).

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