

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD UN-GGIM: AMERICAS

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Last Thursday, November 30, 2017, the Members of the UN-GGIM: Americas Executive Board were summoned to a meeting under the framework of the 5th High Level Forum of UN-GGIM at the Sheraton Reforma Hotel in Mexico City. The main objective of the meeting was to begin defining the new structure of Agenda 2018-2021. It should be mentioned that the board members from North America and the Caribbean were not present.

Participants

Paloma Merodio Gómez - Chair UN-GGIM: Americas

Macarena Pérez García - Vice-Chair UN-GGIM: Americas

Gabriela García Seco - Executive Secretary UN-GGIM: Americas

Max Lobo Hernández - Member América Central

Sergio Cimbaro - Member South America.

Efraín Limones García - Director of the Caribbean Project. Technical Advisor to UN-GGIM: Americas

Álvaro Monett Hernández - Regional Expert in Geospatial Information Management, ECLAC. Technical Advisor of UN-GGIM: Americas

Agenda

1. General issues

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- Subcommittee on Geodesy - define the 3 member countries that will be part of the Subcommittee.

2. Proposal for Agenda 2018-2021

- Aligning work with the Strategic Framework UN-GGIM 2017-2021
- Definition of priority issues for the region (validation)
- Structure of work (priority thematic areas, two countries in charge of each thematic area)
- Preparation of work plan (matrix and terms of reference)
- Validation of the Plan by Member States

Agreements

1. Agenda 2018-2021 of the Regional Committee of the Americas must be aligned with the 2017-2021 Strategic Framework of UN-GGIM.
2. UN-GGIM: Americas should define mechanisms to monitor and measure the indicators of the 2030 Agenda, as one of its main objectives.
3. The Vice-Chair will prepare a proposal for Agenda 2018-2021 of the Americas and will share it in the first week of December 2017 with the Executive Board, for review and comments. Once it is agreed upon, it will be shared with all Member States.
4. The Executive Secretary will schedule the following Skype-based meetings between the Board of Directors and each of the coordinators of the Working Groups of UN-GGIM: Americas:
 - a- Louis Brown of Sint Maarten, coordinator of the Working Group on Access and Use of Geospatial Information on Risks and Climate Change - Thursday December 14 at 9:00 a.m. Mexico time
 - b- Carlos Augusto Molina Meneses, coordinator of the Working Group on Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information - Thursday, December 14 at 9:45 am Mexico time

Objectives of the meetings with the coordinators:

- That the coordinators contextualize the new Executive Board on the activities carried out during the period 2013-2017, the challenges they faced, as well as the achievements.
- That the Board presents to the coordinators, the new proposal for the Agenda 2018-2021, in order to take note of their opinion and suggestions