



UN-GGIM-AP

REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF
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GLOBAL GEOSPATIAL
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
FOR ASIA & THE PACIFIC



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Economic and Social Commission
for Asia and the Pacific

Executive Board *meeting 2025*

10:00 – 17:30 hrs.(UTC+8)

Tuesday, 03 June 2025

Deqing, China

(In-person)



Opening Session

Opening remarks

Mr. Antonius Wijanarto
President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Welcome remarks

Ms. Wenli Feng

Host, EB member, Director General of Science & Technology
Department, Ministry of Natural Resources, P.R.C



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Ms. Tiziana Bonapace
Director, UN-GGIM-AP Secretariat



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Agenda item 1

Introduction of all EB members and observers

Participants



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Agenda item 2

Briefing on Agenda, organization of the meeting

Mr. Antonius Wijanarto, President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Agenda item 3

Briefing from UN-GGIM-AP

Mr. Antonius Wijanarto, President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Agenda item 4

Working Groups Progress Report

Working Group Chairs



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Agenda item 5

Discussion on the election of President, Vice Presidents and new EB members

Moderator: Mr. Antonius Wijanarto,
President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Agenda item 5.A

Discussion on the election of President, Vice Presidents and new EB members

Introduction

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Relevant Articles in Statutes

Article 10 Executive Board

- The Committee shall elect an Executive Board consisting of: The President, Three Vice Presidents, and Other Members **(up to nine)**.
- The term of the Executive Board shall be **three years**. The President, Vice Presidents and Executive Board Members shall be **elected every three years** at the triennial plenary meeting of the Committee. The President and Vice Presidents may be re-elected, but **shall not serve more than two consecutive terms** in that office.
- Each Working Group shall, where possible, be chaired by a member of the Executive Board, but if this is not the case then Chairs of Working Groups will be ex-officio members of the Executive Board and become an addition to the defined Executive Board positions.



Relevant Articles in Statutes

Article 11 Functions of Executive Board

- Plan and coordinate **the Committee work program** between plenary sessions of the Committee;
- Plan and manage **the activities** that the Committee undertakes for the UN-GGIM in consultation with the United Nations;
- **Make recommendations** on objectives, activities and work programs to the Committee;
- **Coordinate funding proposals** to aid agencies;
- **Represent the interests of the Asia and Pacific region** in the world's geospatial information management community;
- Take opportunities to **give presentations** to related bodies at conferences and other relevant events;
- **Examine and approve all the meetings** organized or sponsored in the name of the Committee.



Rule of Procedure on election

Rule 19

- All elections shall be held by **secret ballot, unless otherwise decided** by the Committee.

Rule 20

- In the case when one person or one delegation is to be elected and no candidate obtained the required majority in the first ballot, a second ballot shall be taken, which shall be restricted to the two candidates obtaining the largest number of votes in the first ballot.

Rule 21

- In the case when a vote is equally divided on matters other than elections, a second vote shall be taken. If this vote is also equally divided, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.



Current UN-GGIM-AP EB since Nov.2022

1. President (Indonesia)
2. Vice Presidents (India, Japan and Singapore)
3. Executive Board (Australia, China, Fiji, Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Republic of Korea, and Russian Federation)
4. Secretariat: UN ESCAP



Next steps

1. The Secretariat, under instructions from the President, shall provide Members, Advisors, and Observers with a written notice regarding the date, venue, and the agenda for the 14th Plenary meeting of the UN-GGIM-AP, by 1 July 2025.
2. By 5 July 2025, the President will send a letter to ALL member countries of the AP Committee to request them to consider the election of EB and informally express their interest in being the EB members, President and Vice-President. The feedback from member countries should be sent to the Secretariat by 30 July 2025.
3. The Secretariat will report to the President the feedback from the member countries by 10 August.



	2016-2018	2018-2022	2022-2025	2025-2028
President	Japan (Mr. Hiroshi Murakami)	Australia (Mr. Simon Costello)	Indonesia (Mr. Antonius Bambang Wijanarto)	
Vice-President	ROK (Mr.Choe Byong-Nam) Mongolia (TBD)	China Japan Mongolia	India Japan Singapore	
Members	Australia Brunei Iran Malaysia Singapore	Fiji India Indonesia Iran Malaysia ROK Singapore Tonga	Australia China Fiji Islamic Republic of Iran Malaysia Mongolia Nepal Republic of Korea Russian Federation	
Secretary	China (Mr. LI Pengde)	ESCAP Secretariat	ESCAP Secretariat	
WG Chairs	WG1 on Geodetic reference: Australia WG2 on Disaster Risk Management: Japan WG3 on Regional SDI: China WG4 on Cadaster and Land Management: ROK	WG1: Geodetic Reference Frame Chair: Japan WG2: Cadastre and Land Management Chair: ROK WG3: Integrating Geospatial Information and Statistics Chair: Indonesia	WG1: Geodetic Reference Frame Chair: Japan WG2: Cadastre and Land Management Chair: ROK-Singapore WG3: Integrating Geospatial Information and Statistics Chair: Islamic Republic of Iran WG4: Integrated Geospatial Information Framework Chair: India	

Agenda item 5.B

Discussion on Plan for the election

UN-GGIM-AP EB members



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1. A letter to ALL member countries on their interest in being the EB members, President and Vice-President, should be sent to current focal points of the UN-GGIM-AP in a country and copy the Seat of Government (MoFA).
2. If the current EB members wish to continue for the 2nd term of the membership till 2028, how to process?
3. If the nominations for the Executive Board consisting of the President, three Vice Presidents, and other Members are less than NINE, the 14th Plenary meeting announces the nominations.
4. In case the nominations are more than NINE; a *secret ballot* will be conducted at the 14th Plenary meeting.
5. In case more nominations for the President and VPs are given by member countries, should the current President discuss this with the nominations



Agenda item 6

Proposed new themes of WGs

Moderator: Mr. Antonius Wijanarto,
President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Agenda item 6.A

Proposed new themes of WGs

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Article 13 Working Groups

- Working Groups may be established, with the approval of the Committee, to carry out the objectives of the Committee.
- Working Groups may initiate and terminate projects in areas of concern to the Committee.
- Working Groups shall report regularly to the Committee on their activities, together with recommendations for consideration by the Committee.
- Each Working Group shall, where possible, be chaired by a Member of the Executive Board, but in the case of a Working Group Chair not being a Board Member then he/she will be an ex-officio member of the Board.



- Working Group Chairs are able to appoint coordinators for key activities within their work program and these coordinators may report to the Working Group Chairs.
- In so far as they are applicable, the Rules of Procedures set forth from the Committee shall also apply to the procedures of the working groups.

Article 15 Occurrence of Meetings

- At every third plenary meeting of the Committee, the Executive Board shall report on the activities over the last three-year term; the existing Working Groups shall be renewed or concluded.



1. *UN-GGIM-AP will decide whether the current WGs continue or new WGs are established during the 14th Plenary meeting of UN-GGIM-AP in 2025.*
2. *In accordance with the resolution approved in the 13th Plenary meeting of UN-GGIM-AP in 2024, some working groups including the Virtual Technical Advisory Group for the Pacific, the Young Geospatial Leaders Network and AI Working Group can be considered.*



Agenda item 6.B

Discussion on new themes of WGs

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Establishment of the new Working Group

1. Whether the existing Working Groups shall be renewed or concluded.
2. Whether a proposal on a new theme or WG will be raised needs to make a decision by EB and will be presented at the 14th Plenary meeting.
3. Whether there is interest in any further WGs, with reviewing objectives of UN-GGIM-AP, referring to the Statutes.
4. Should the regional WGs be in line with the global WGs led by UNSD (UN-GGIM)?
5. WGs meeting prior to the 14th plenary meeting of UN-GGIM-AP will be organized virtually?



Agenda item 7.A

Preparation for the 14th Plenary meeting of the UN-GGIM-AP

Host-NGII, ROK



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Agenda item 7.B

Preparation for the 14th Plenary meeting of the UN-GGIM-AP

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Venue (tbc), Friday 26 September 2025, Ilсан, Republic of Korea

Proposed agenda

- 1_ Opening session, by President of UN-GGIM-AP, UNSD (TBC), ESCAP and the Host Country
- 2_ Executive Report of UN-GGIM-AP (2022-2025), by the Secretariat
- 3_ Liaison Reports from UN-GGIM (TBC) and ESCAP, by UNSD and ESCAP
- 4_ Reports from UN-GGIM-AP Working Groups (2022-2025), by Chairs of WGs
- 5_ Election of the UN-GGIM-AP Executive Board (2025-2028), by the Secretariat
- 6_ Establishment of the Working Groups (2025-2028)
- 7_ Reports on the Working Groups' Work Plans (2025-2028)
- 8_ Resolutions of the 14th UN-GGIM-AP Plenary Meeting
- 9_ Next meetings
- 10_ Closing



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Agenda item 7.C

Preparation for the 14th Plenary meeting of the UN-GGIM-AP

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To be discussed by the EB members

- 1) Proposed agenda
- 2) Format: Hybrid or in-Person
- 3) Date and venue for meetings of current WGs prior to the Plenary
- 4) Date and venue of meeting for the current EB prior to the Plenary, Date and venue of meeting for the new EB members after the Plenary (1-2 hours)
- 5) Inputs are needed from EB members and member States on highlights of the work of EB, WGs and the regional Committee during 2022-2025, for a report of the Secretariat, before 31 August 2025.



Agenda item 8

Preparation for for the Fifteenth Session of UN-GGIM

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To be discussed by the EB members

- 1) Review of the draft regional report
- 2) Plan to convene the UN-GGIM-AP meeting as a side event during the session

Fifteenth Session of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)

4-8 August 2025

draft -- 22 April 2025

PROVISIONAL OUTLINE OF SIDE EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Monday 4 August

Schedule	Conference Room 12	Conference room 11	Conference room A	Conference room B	Conference Room C
10:00 a.m.			Meeting of UN-GGIM: Americas <i>(by invitation only)</i>	Meeting of UN-GGIM: Europe <i>(by invitation only)</i>	Meeting of UN-GGIM: Africa <i>(by invitation only)</i>
11:15 a.m.					
11:30 a.m.			Meeting of UN-GGIM: Arab States <i>(by invitation only)</i>	Meeting UN-GGIM-AP <i>(by invitation only)</i>	Meeting of the Thematic Networks
12:45 p.m.					
15:00 p.m.	Climate, environment, and resilience	Sixth plenary meeting of the High-level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework <i>(by invitation only)</i>			
16:15 p.m.	WG on Policy and Legal Frameworks WG on Disaster Risk Management, and TT on Climate Resilience				
16:45 p.m.	The evolving digital landscape				
18:00 p.m.	WG on Policy and Legal Frameworks WT Future Geospatial Information Ecosystem and Thematic Networks				



Agenda item 9

Other matters

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Closing of the meeting

Mr. Antonius Wijanarto, President of UN-GGIM-AP



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Thank you!

*See you in Ilsan, Republic
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