

UN-GGIM: Europe Work Plan 2026-2030



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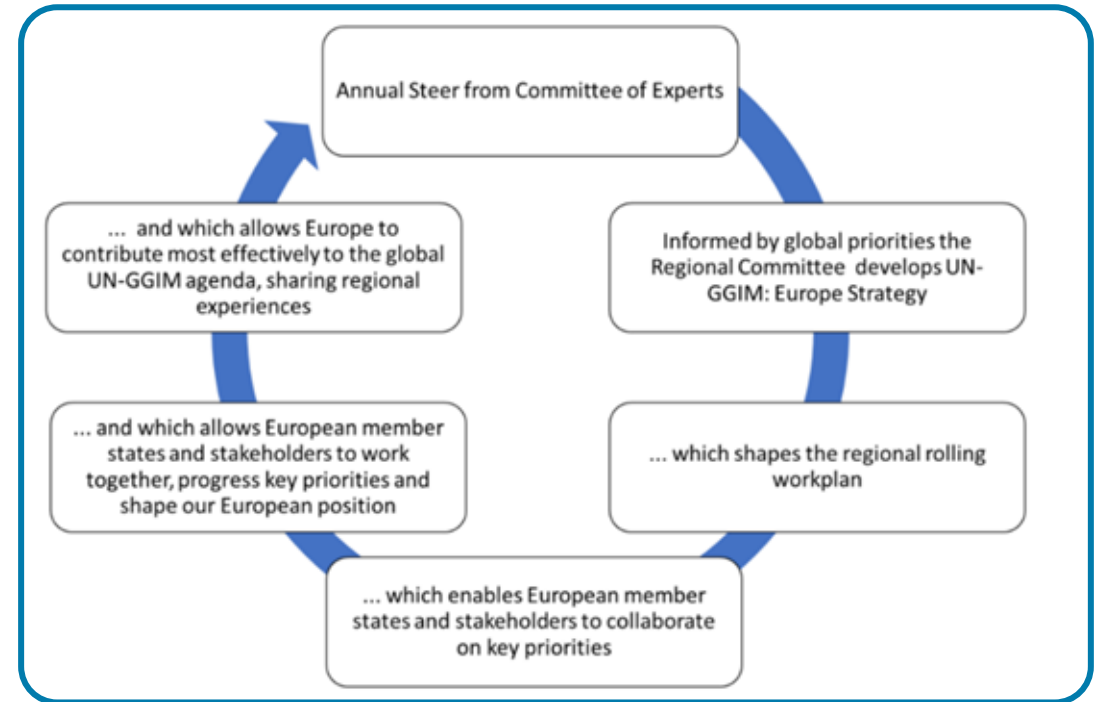
Updated strategy of UN-GGIM: Europe was adopted at the Regional Plenary in 2025.
Currently developing a new workplan to support the updated.

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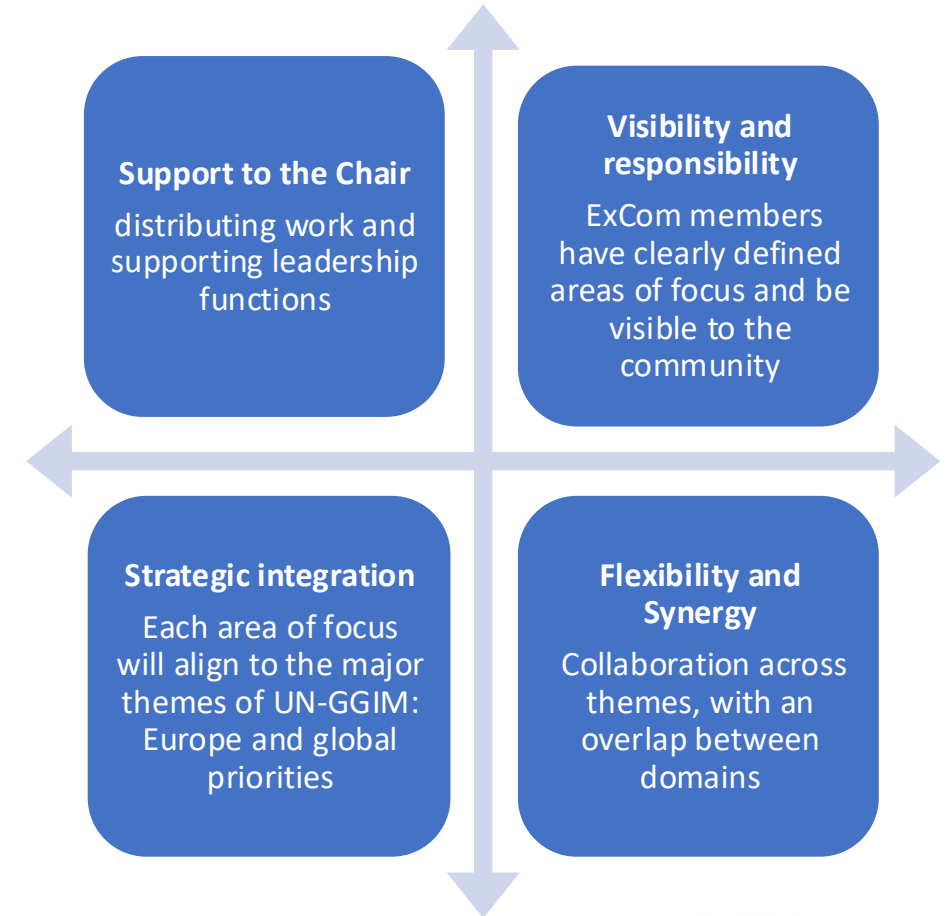
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Executive Committee's areas of responsibility

- ExCom members have been designated as focal points for each of UN-GGIM's main areas of activity. This is based on **experience and interest**.
- These focal points will **coordinate UN-GGIM: Europe activities** and contribute to relevant discussions.
- In addition, each of the ExCom members work is **underpinned by four priorities**:



UN-GGIM: Europe Strategy – an overview

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The Strategic Pillars

Three main strategic pillars support UN-GGIM: Europe mission and shape its strategy for the next five years.

	Sharing Knowledge	Raising Awareness	Strategic Leadership
AIM	Providing the tools for society to use geospatial information for good	Bringing everyone together by showcasing the added value of geospatial information	Providing strategic alignment with the wider European and global framework in which we operate
FOCUS	Prioritising contributions and creating a work plan to take action	Determining relevant partnerships and initiatives to leverage the work	Guiding the core areas of work and strengthening the role of UN-GGIM: Europe
GOALS	Create and deliver a Work Plan that links global objectives to European and individual Member States priorities Consolidate the role of geospatial data in addressing SDG indicators Support the provision of geospatial pan-European datasets and derived products as a relevant input for the geospatial and statistical data integration Promote relevant frameworks and standards as tools for Member States Leverage the use of geospatial information and improving its national implementation Embed the principles of DEI and ethical and responsible use of AI	Encourage geospatial data harmonization and quality – official and authoritative geospatial data is key Actively contribute to the work and promote IGIF as an evaluation system and support Member States to implement the UN-IGIF Initiate and promote engagement with relevant partners and stakeholders to ensure greater participation and bridge internal regional gaps Proactively display its work through initiatives and events on specific subjects showcasing the value of geospatial data Bring other data communities in terms of application and data combination and work on data interoperability	Support the global UN-GGIM architecture and cross border cooperation Promote the value of geospatial data and its integration with statistical data Leverage the value of geospatial data to support better decision-making processes to address critical socio-economic and environmental issues Support national capacity building and development in geospatial data and promote cooperation between Member States Create an environment that develops initiatives to promote a clear governance of geospatial data in Europe Provide guidance to officially establish the cooperation between geospatial and statistical organisations in Member States Focus on embedding geospatial data within the post-2030 development agenda

TRANSLATED INTO UN-GGIM: EUROPE WORK PLAN

- High-level document
- Is a five-year strategy for our region
- Supports the overall objectives of UN-GGIM and links to the UN-GGIM Strategic Framework 2025-2030
- Call to action for a wider participation and engagement
- Based on three strategic pillars
- Will be translated into a work plan and supported by Member States

Points for consideration...

- Delivery and implementation will need to have impact for Member States
- An approach to growing participation in tasks

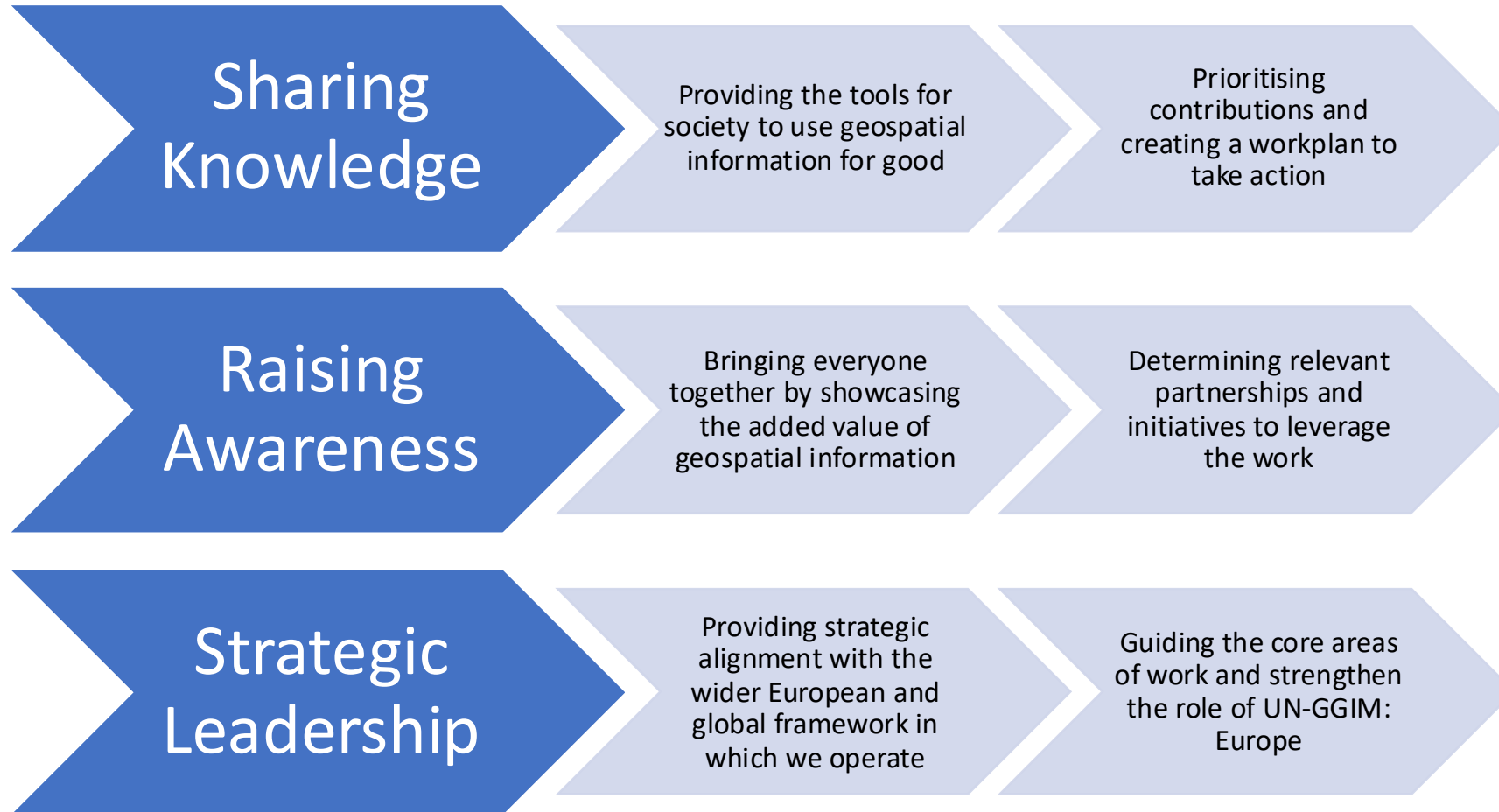


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UN-GGIM: Europe Strategy 2025-2030



The strategy is delivered through a Work Plan

... a blueprint that facilitates the collaboration of European Member States, European Institutions and observer bodies to work together to progress key priorities that are relevant to the region

Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

- Provides support and input to European Members of the HLG-IGIF
- Contribute to the global tasks of HLG-IGIF making sure regional concerns are raised and addressed
- Understand issues and obstacles that Regional Members may face when looking to implement IGIF

Geodetic Reference Frames

- Contribute to the activities of the Subcommittee of Geodesy
- Focus on growing sustaining the geodetic reference frames

Sustainable Development Goals

- Showcasing the added value of integration of geospatial data and information on the use and integration of Earth Observation data

Data Strategy 2022-2025

- Strengthen the links between European policy and the IGIF

Data Integration

- Maintain the active contribution on data methods and showcasing the value of integrating geospatial data with other data
- Explore ways to support activities promoting geospatial and statistical data integration

Work Plan 2022-2025
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New Working Groups – in detail

The UN-IGIF in Europe

- This is a continuation of activities from the 2022-2025 Work Plan.
- Focus will remain on supporting European Member States to understand and implement the UN-IGIF.
- It will build on the discussions and outcomes from the recent capacity strengthening workshop, and should focus on understanding issues and objectives, and also promoting successes and value.



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New Working Groups – in detail

Geodetic
Reference
Frames in Europe

- This is a continuation of activities from the 2022-2025 Work Plan.
- We have received a suggestion to change the name to [XYZ].
- It will continue to act as the regional platform that facilitates coordination, promotes understanding and ensures effective European contributions to the global geodesy supply chain.
- Remains linked to the outcomes from the UN-GGCE.



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New Working Groups – in detail

Data in response
to global
agendas

- This is a new activity.
- It could include some of the areas that were covered in the previous SDG Working Group.
- It recognises the statistical and geospatial data are fundamental to the delivery of the existing global agendas.
- A core task will be to identify and promote how statistical and geospatial data can be included in future development agendas.



During the Formal Business UN-GGIM: Europe Plenary is asked to:

- **Endorse** the UN-GGIM: Europe Work Plan 2026-2030
- **Express its appreciation** to the leads of the five lines of work that have been active between 2022 and 2025, and acknowledge the Lines of Work on Data Integration, Sustainable Development Goals, and Data Strategy and Policy for bringing them to successful conclusion.
- **Express its thanks** to all Member States and Observers who contributed to all the five lines of work, recognising that every contribution, whether large or small, furthers the work of UN-GGIM: Europe.
- **Considers** how Member States and Observers can contribute to the activities included in the UN-GGIM: Europe's Work Plan 2026-2030 and encourage active participation from all parts of the UN-GGIM: Europe community.



Discussion points:

- Are there any gaps or missing activities that you would like to see included in the work plan?
- How can we encourage participation in all the Working Groups.
- Which of the three Working Groups is most relevant to your national priorities.



We look forward to your contributions to the success of the Work Plan 2026-2030.



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