

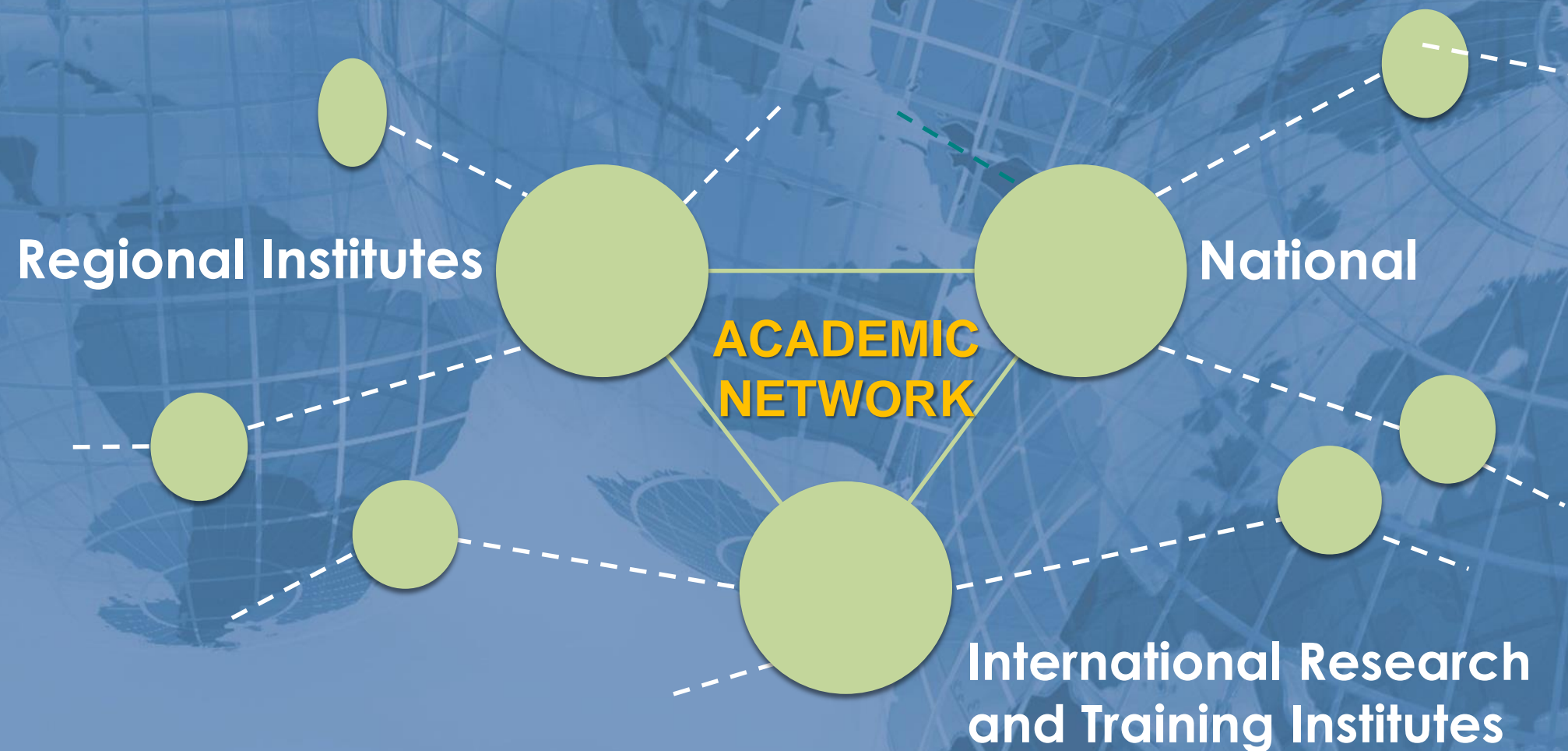


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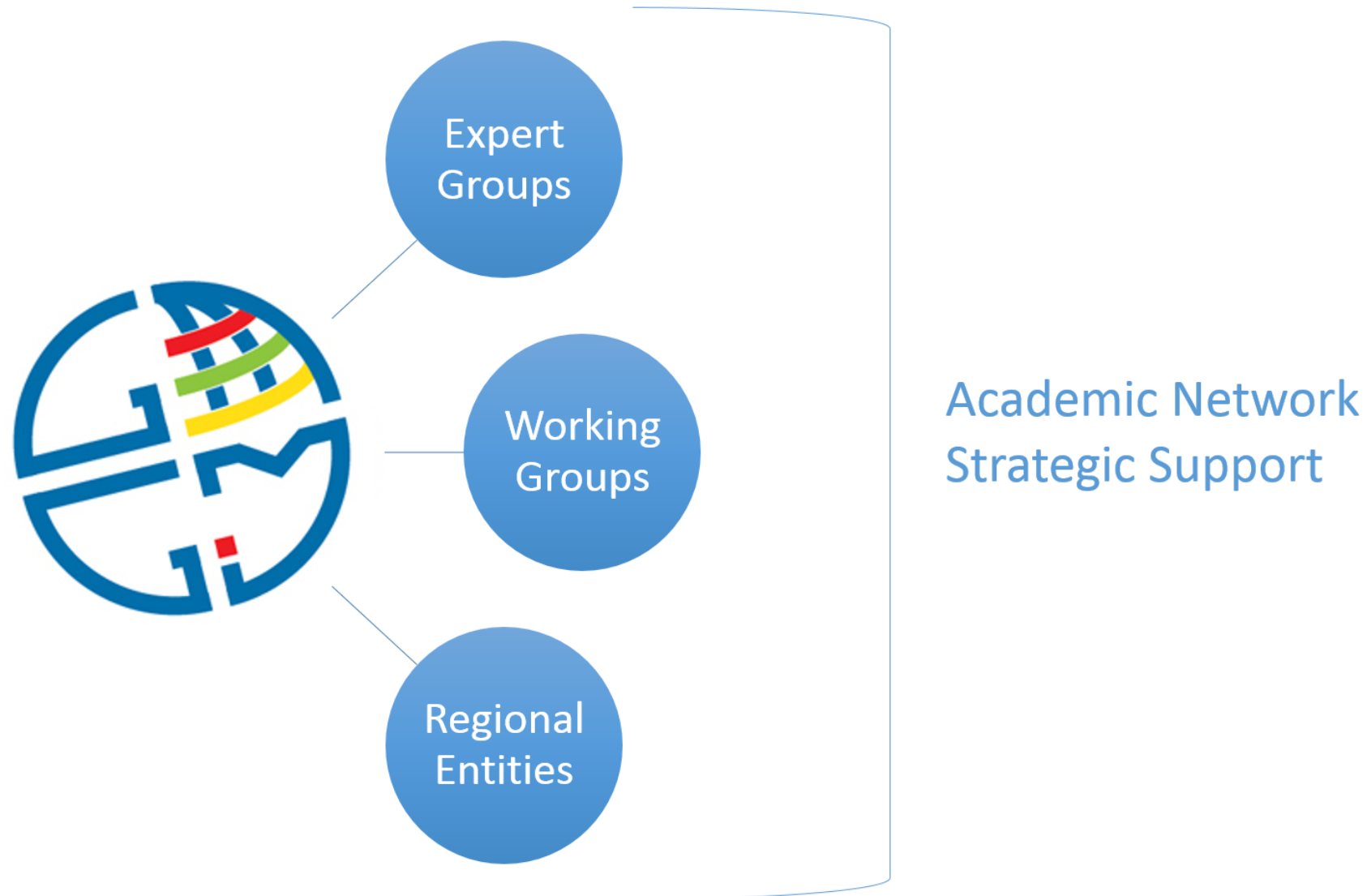
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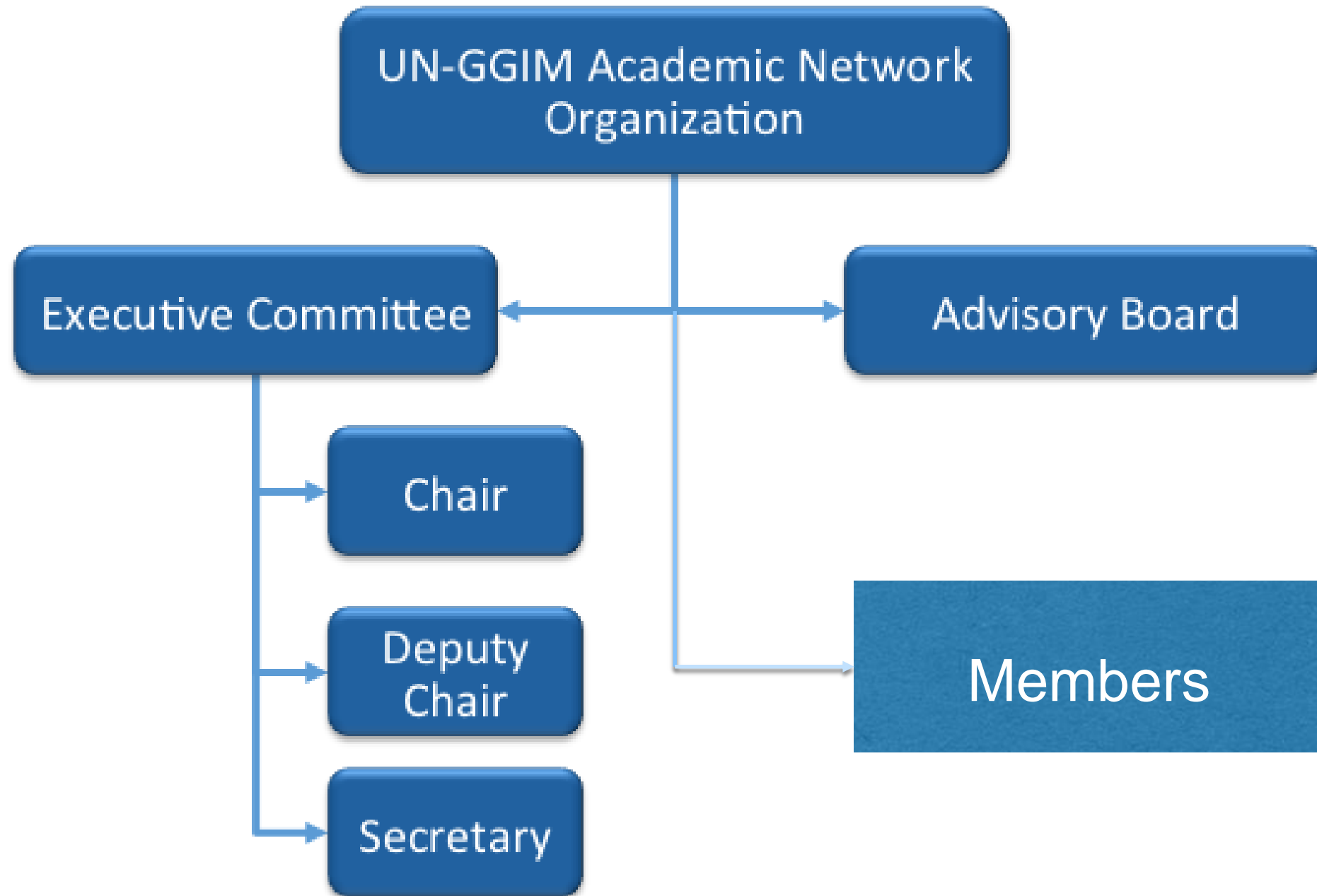
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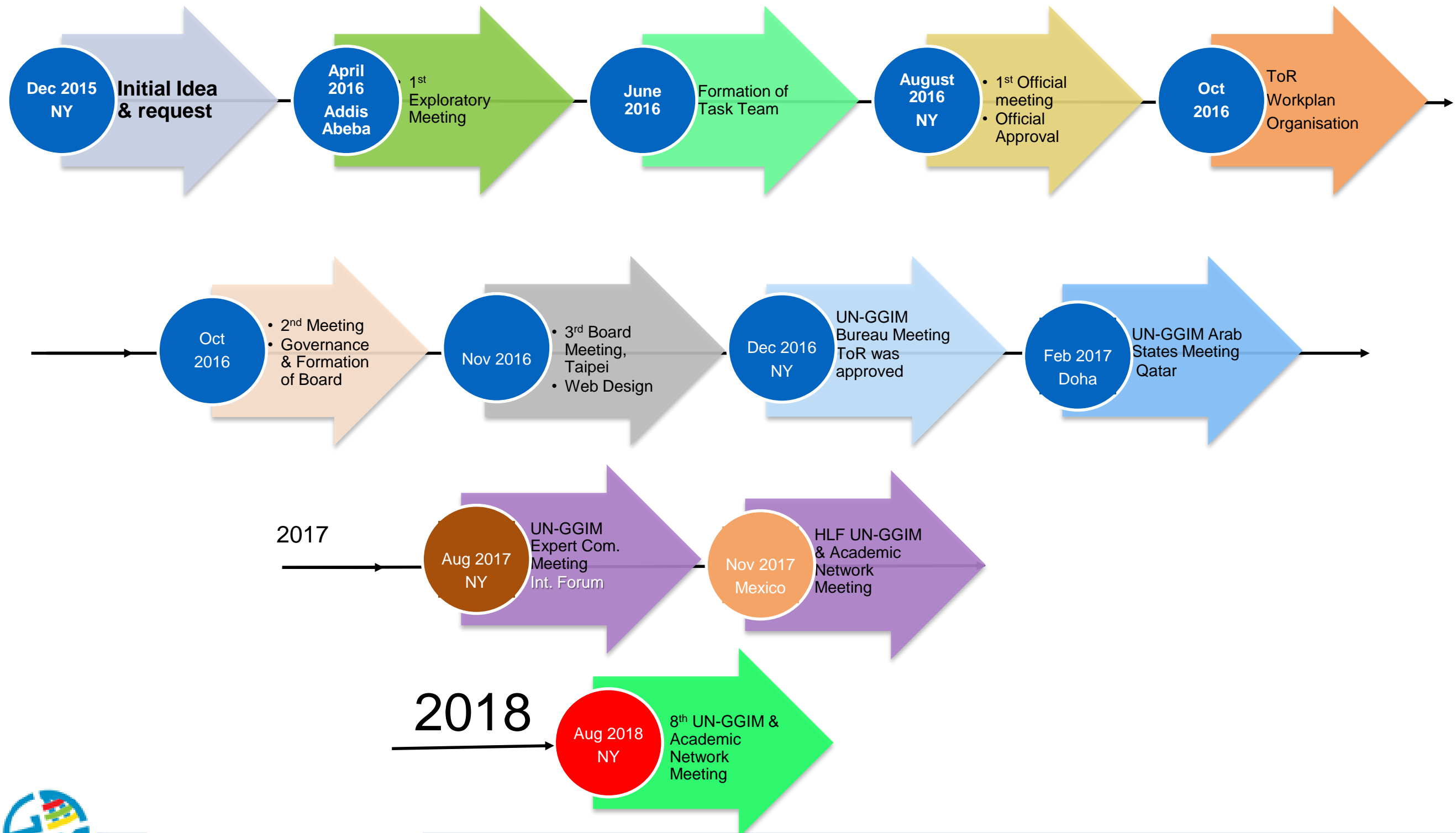
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# Major Activities and Steps





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Expression of Interest (EOI) for joining the UN-GGIM Academic Network

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### I. INSTITUTION INFORMATION

Although the Expression of Interest (EOI) MUST be submitted online, please first download the EOI [pdf](#) version to allow you to prepare your responses in advance. This will allow you to cut and paste text into the online form and will also provide a backup. (Note : This form must be completed in one sitting and cannot be saved)

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# Academic Network

## Workplan 2018

To achieve the Academic Network's objectives, the workplan is focused on:

- **Int. Forum** in conjunction with the Eighth Session of UN-GGIM Committee of Expert Meeting, with the Theme on: **The SDGs Connectivity Dilemma: Urban Settlements, Resilience, and Sustainability**, Monday, 30 July 2018, **NY**.
- In close collaboration with other UN-GGIM entities, identify relevant items and opportunities for closer collaboration and contribution within the context of UN-GGIM work and Agenda.
- **Capacity Building** in conjunction of UN-GGIM events and
  - call and promote for membership and engagement via dedicated website.
- The current UN-GGIM WGs' workplans to identify the areas for support and input, and actively participating in their activities
- Explore the **development of an infrastructure** to facilitate SDG indicator and research registry
- Training and research programs, inventory of current capabilities, MOOCs, facilities, current projects, etc. relevant to UN-GGIM activities.





# Seventh Session of the Committee of Experts on UN-GGIM Forum

## Secure Land Rights and Smart Cities - Making It Work for Sustainable Development



UN-GGIM Academic Network

UN-EG-LAM

UN-GGIM Geospatial Societies

UN-GGIM Private Sector Network

Monday, 31 July 2017

In collaboration  
with:



## Objectives

Present the **current status of land tenure and land rights** and discuss, research and practice in **smart cities**;

**Establish a dialogue** and exchange ideas around land rights and explore the relationships between that and smart cities to address the challenges and opportunities;

To **identify relevant challenges and opportunities** for the development of effective strategies to secure land rights and smart cities and build and strengthen capability concerning geospatial information and, use, particularly in developing countries;

To **develop a roadmap** that promotes the development of policies, methods, standards and mechanisms to overcome the challenges and create a better linkage for smart cities for all;

**Develop a future work plan** and research agenda to assist UN-GGIM and member states to respond to the **SDGs**.



# Major Outcomes and Take-away Message

## Infrastructure for Indicators Registration

**Data is the Glue**

**Interoperable Open Data**

Solutions for Solutions

**Local to Global Value Proposition**

**Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure**

BIM

**Balancing Governance Approaches**

**Integrative Data Ecosystem**

Metadata

**Data Continuity**

**Inclusivity**

**Data Quality and Availability**

**Interdisciplinary Task Force**

**Partnerships, Leadership and Finance**

Collaboration

**VGI**

**Fit for Purpose**

**Citizen Science**

**Privacy Policy**

**Access**

**Reliable Statistics**

**Geo-Maturity**

**Measuring and Monitoring SDG Indicators**





## How to Join

The academic network promotes and strengthens close collaboration between universities and their national geospatial counterparts. Based on this, we encourage you to become a member. To apply, go to the following link and fill out the form in the expression of interest section.

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### What Is It?

A formal body constituted as part of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM). The Academic Network is the strategic knowledge, research and training arm of it.

### Objective

The primary objective of the UN-GGIM Academic Network is to support the aims and objectives of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM), as UN-GGIM sets the agenda for the development of global geospatial information and promotes its use to address key global challenges.

The network will facilitate access globally to research and education capabilities for UN-GGIM and its affiliated members in order to identify and respond to challenges and opportunities for UN-GGIM and related UN offices. The UN-GGIM Academic Network will be a coalition of recognized universities and research and education centers involved in research, development and education on geospatial, land information and related matters, run on a volunteer basis.



**Expert Groups**

**Working Groups**

**Regional Committees**

**Academic  
Network  
Strategic  
Support**

### Work Plan

The Academic Network's initial work plan will focus on the following

- Review of the current UN-GGIM WGs' work plan to identify areas for support and input.
- Promotion of the Network to potential member institutions.
- Registry of current capabilities, degree programs, training programs, research, and courses, relevant to UN-GGIM gathered as part of the membership application process as well as through additional means.
- Establishing a Registry for Education, Training and Research.

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