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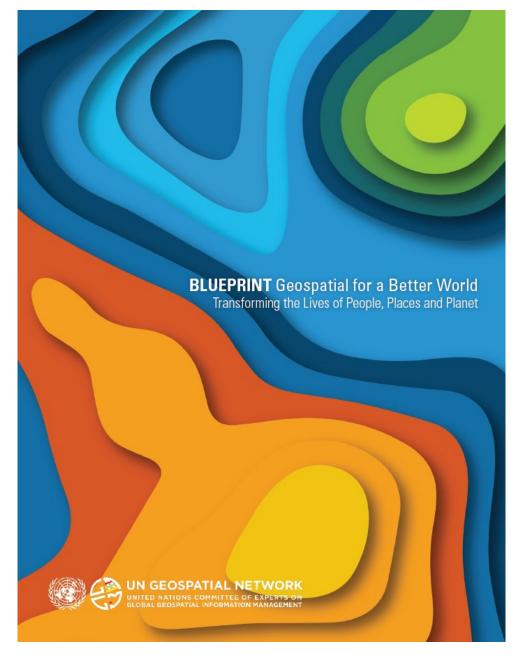
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BLUEPRINT

Geospatial for a Better World

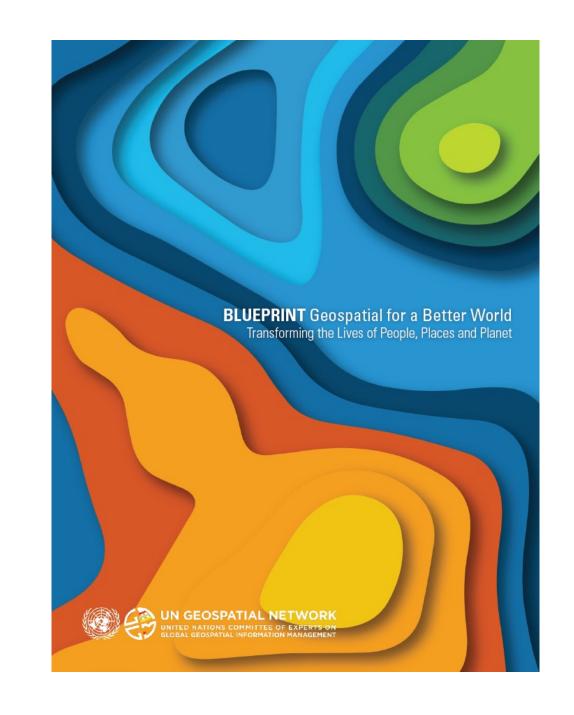


Transforming the Lives of People, Places and Planet

BLUEPRINT Geospatial for a Better World (2020- 2025)

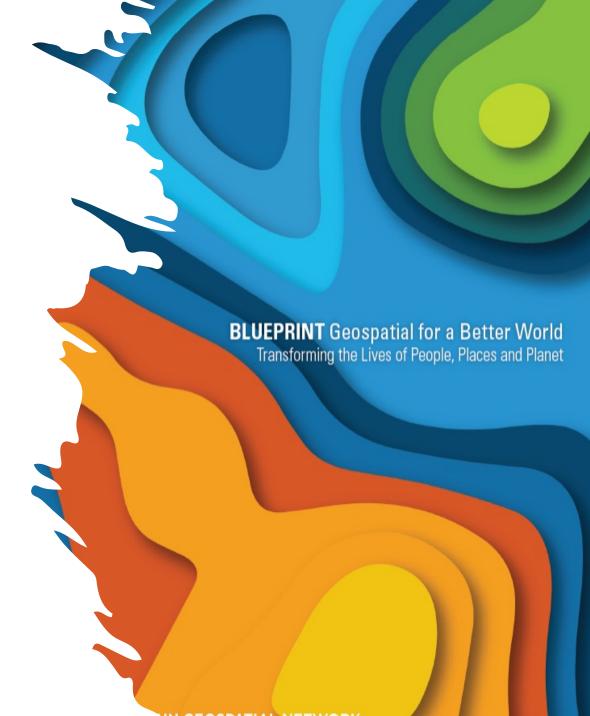
Transforming the Lives of People, Places and Planet

- **Strategic Objectives**: Focused on governance, technology, partnerships, capacity development, and outreach.
- Transformation Pathways: Aiming to build a robust network, deliver unified geospatial information, and foster development.
- **The Hub**: A proposed common platform for resource sharing and collaboration.



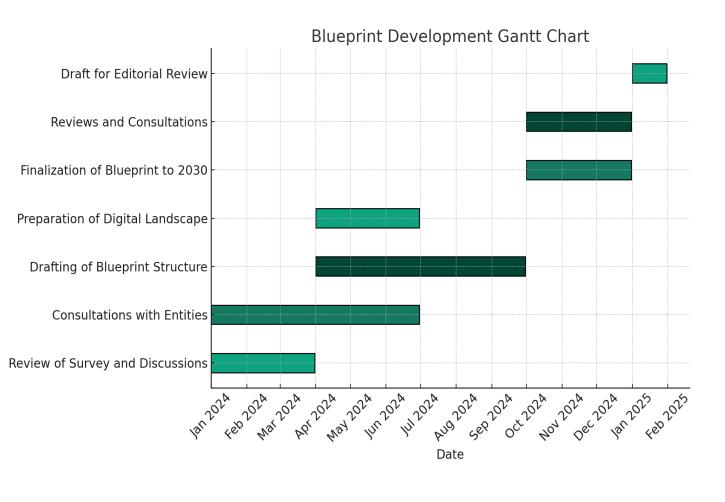
Justification for Revision of the UN Geospatial Network Blueprint (2026-2030)

- Adaptation to Rapid Technological Advancements in Geospatial Information
- Alignment with Evolving Global Geospatial Needs and Challenges
- Incorporation of Lessons Learned and Best Practices since 2020
- Enhanced Data Sharing and Collaboration Across UN Agencies
- Expansion of the UN Geospatial Network Since 2020



BLUEPRINT Geospatial for a Better World (2026-2030)

Transforming the Lives of People, Places and Planet



- Review of survey and discussions, starting January 2024
- Consultations with respective entities, as per the previous Blueprint, in the first half of 2024
- Drafting of an overall structure for the next
 Blueprint, Q2 and Q3 2024
- Preparation of a live digital landscape for a website, Q2 2024
- Finalization of the Blueprint to 2030, Q4 2024
- Reviews and consultations, end Q4 2024
- Draft for editorial review and design, Jan 2025



Launch of the GIS Centre for Health

Geographic Information System •

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A Service of the Division of Data, Analytics and Delivery for Impact

What is the WHO GIS Centre for Health?

With a **vision** of connecting maps, apps, data, and people, the WHO GIS Centre for Health is dedicated to supporting countries in making informed public health decisions faster.

Advocacy

Bilateral Meetings

Key UN Meetings

Mission

Conferences

Events

Presence



Service

Technical Assistance

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Conceptualization

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Capacity Development & Support

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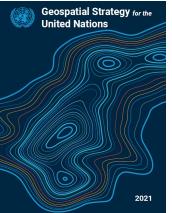
Mentoring

Missions



With an implementation **methodology** that combines **advocacy**, **capacity development**, **service and support**, the Centre provides technical assistance. It fosters geospatial capacities for Health at all WHO levels through the Country and Regional Offices with Ministries of Health (MoHs).





Meet the WHO GIS Centre for Health team



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GIS specialist, project facilitator



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GIS specialist



Annette
GIS specialist



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Bodour Project facilitator



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Emergency specialist,
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Services

Licensing

Cartography + Storytelling Weekly open office hours

Training

Custom sub-national / incountry GIS trainings Live + self-paced Learning Series in GIS in 3 languages

Events

Hosting Open Houses
Facilitation and
organisation of global
events and meetings

Cultivating Knowledge

Hosting monthly Knowledge Series webinars

Hosting Community of Practice (2024)

Areas of work: Serve, Train and Engage



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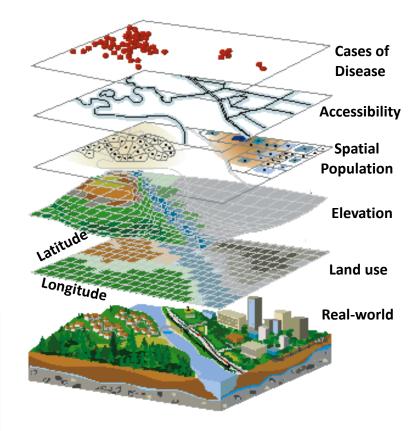
Missions

We are building a geospatial culture to serve public health from the frontlines to global analysis.





GIS Workstreams





A gateway for geospatial datasets



Geo Workspace



Provide a geo-enabled workspace

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Visualization and dissemination

Geo Hub

Geolocated Health Facility Data Initiative



Health Facility Master Lists

One HFML per country that is digitized, regularly updated, and made accessible by the Ministry of Health (MOH).



Country Capacity

MOH capacity to regularly maintain, update, use, and publicly share their HFML.



Global Database

Publicly available database of digitised health facility information sourced from country HFMLs.



Geolocated
Health Facilities
Data (GHFD)

initiative











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GHFD Initiative Strategic Framework

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

National Level

MOHs empowered to establish, maintain, openly share and use the HFML

Regional Level

Technical assistance available for countries to establish, maintain, share and use HFMLs

Global Level

Supporting environment in place to establish, sustain and share countries' HFMLs through the GHFD

STRATEGIC PATHWAYS

Seven strategic pathways act as enablers to support the implementation and sustainability of the project at the country level.

Governance & Policies

Partnerships & Collaboration

Advocacy & Communication

Interoperability & Data Management

Capacity

Financial Sustainability

Innovation & Technology

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Quality

Openness

Empowerment

Cost Effectiveness & Sustainability



GHFD Strategic Pathways

Seven strategic pathways act as enablers to support the implementation and sustainability of the project at the country level.

Governance & Policies

- Establish a robust governance and policy framework aimed at institutionalizing the HFML
- Attain political endorsement, strengthen institutional mandate and build an open data sharing environment

Partnerships & Collaboration

Create and sustain the value of countries' HFML through a culture based on inclusion, trusted partnerships and strategic alliances that recognize the value of the GHFD as a global public good

Capacity

Build and strengthen knowledge, competencies and skills to support the HFML and GHFD life cycle

Innovation and Technology

Ensure the most appropriate, costeffective and interoperable technologies are tested, documented and utilized for the HFML and GHFD

Communication & Advocacy

Effective awareness raising, communication and engagement to ensure participation and contribution from all stakeholders and at all levels

Financial Sustainability

Achieve an understanding of the financial plans required to establish and maintain the countries' HFML, sustain the GHFD, and operationalize these plans

Interoperability & Data Management

- Develop a well-defined data supply chain for establishing, maintaining, regularly updating and sharing countries' HFML
- Assign a unique ID that can be linked to different data sources to improve consistency and reduce duplication



Identified Key Areas of Support for Sierra Leone



GHFD Country Situation Analysis Report Sierra Leone December 2022

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Governance and Policies

•Support the MoHS in developing an official SOP document and in enforcing the creation of relevant policies and guidelines

Partnerships and Collaboration

- Partners will have to continuously engage the MoHS on the advantages of public access of the HFML.
- •Improve coordination of key stakeholders

Data Management and Interoperability

• Provide support around building a robust health facilities database that can accommodate a wider range of attributes

Innovation and Technology

- •Addressing the lack of a functioning GIS setup, including software and hardware
- •Improve and increase data-related accessories and equipment for data collection, management, and storing.

Capacity

- •Identify possible areas of external support The MoHS is also stretched and understaffed, particularly in ICT. The WHO CO could partner with its IT department to provide external support and assistance.
- •Training and support to hire an experienced, permanent GIS professional or department to coordinate all GIS related issues within the MFL's management.

Advocacy and Communication

- •Raise awareness of importance of the timely sharing of information across all levels and technical expertise
- •Simple, easy-to-access communication materials may also need to be produced.

Financial Sustainability

- Support subcontracting a consultant to assist or seek assistance from WHO through the GHFD initiative for writing proposals.
- Dedicated GIS resource in the MoH to maintain the datasets.



SIERRA LEONE

WHO Region:

AFRO

Population:

8.4mil

Health facilities:

1,558

Health facility master list publicly available::

Pending

Estimated initial investment for the GHFD initiative:

USD \$143,925

Country Situation Analysis Completed:

Yes

No

CSA Endorsed by Country
MoH:

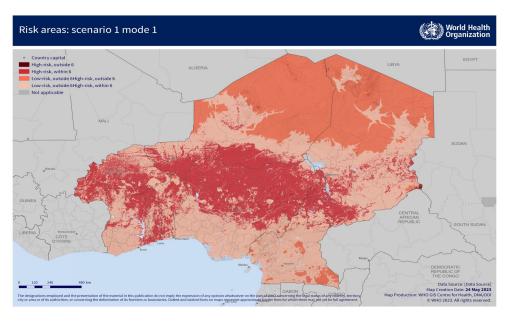
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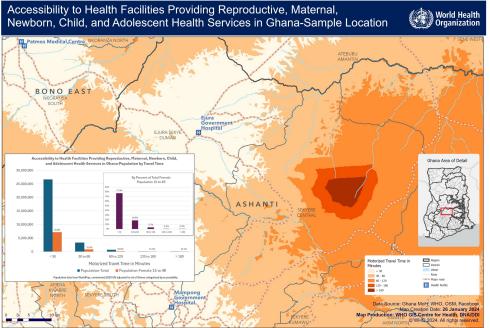
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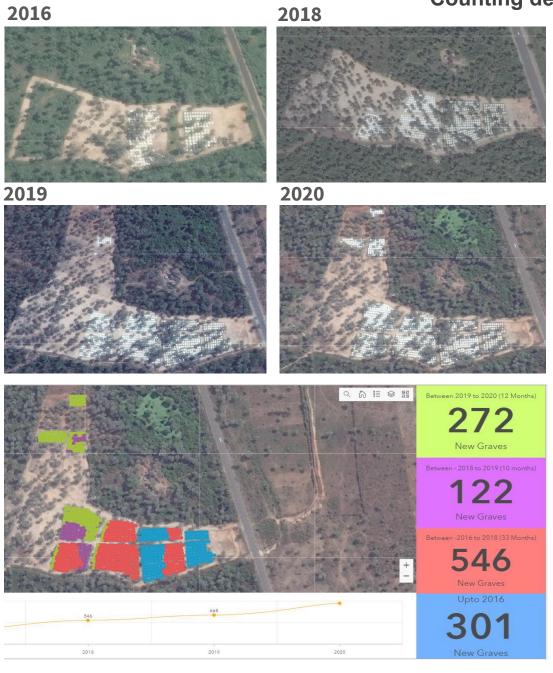








Counting deaths using High-Resolution Satellite Imagery

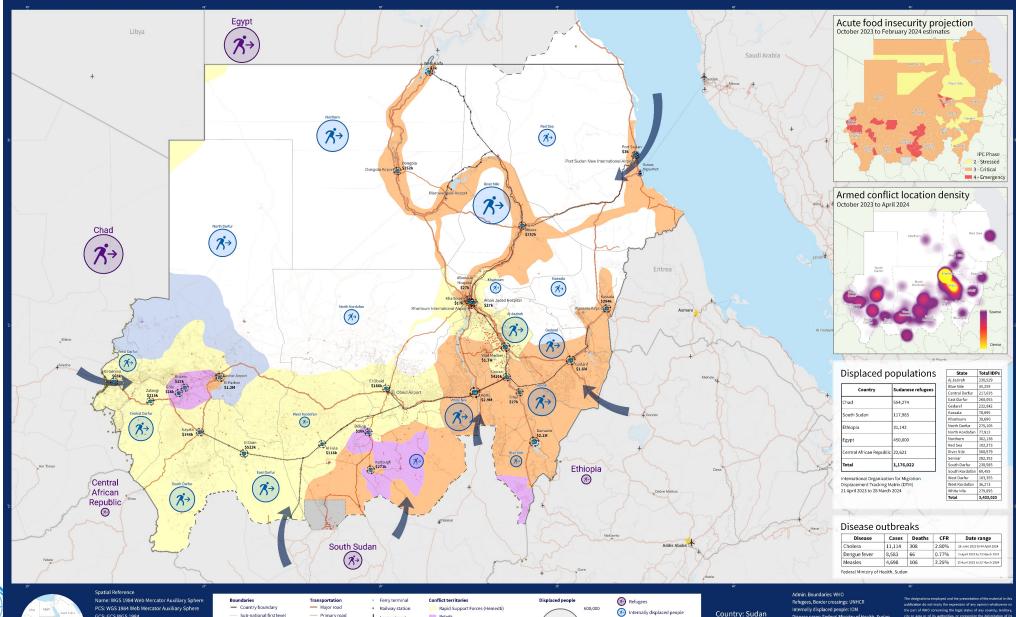






Sudan situation overview









- Primary road

Populated places

National capital

Provincial capital

Secondary road Minor road

★ Large airport

→ Medium airport

♦ Other airport Armed conflict location

SLA (Minni Minnawi), JEM (Gibril Ibrahim) Sudanese Armed Forces (Burhan)

Water

Not applicable

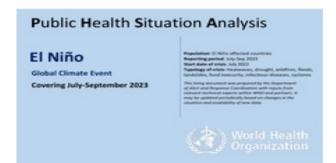
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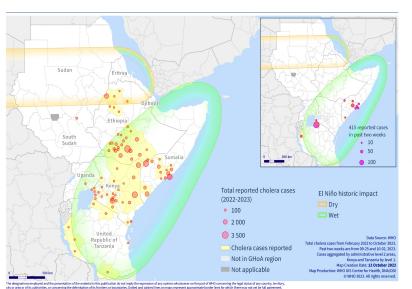
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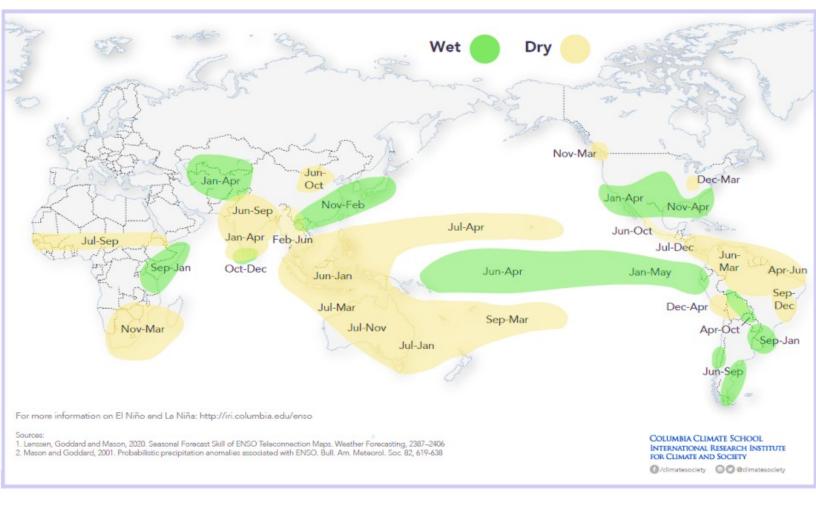
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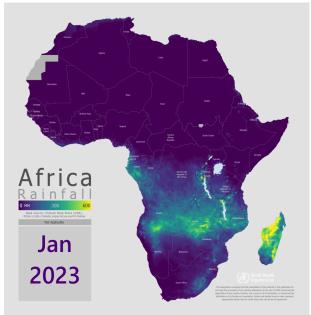




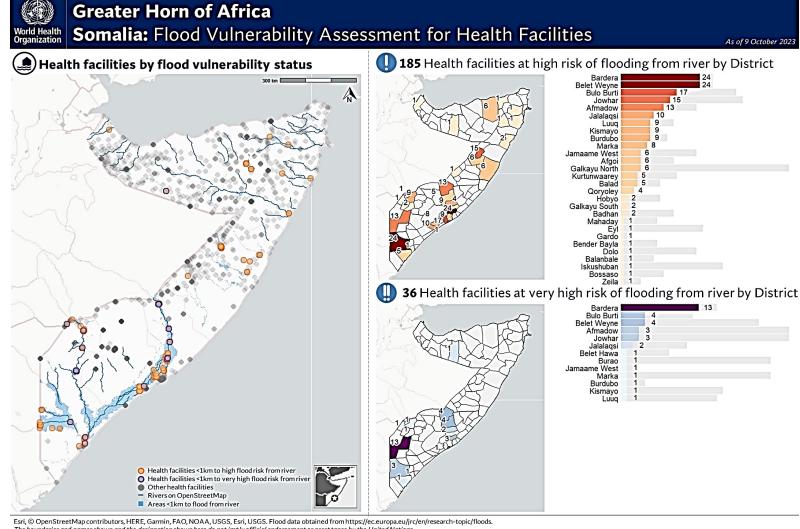




Potential impact of El Niño on Cholera in greater Horn of Africa







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