

## **New Members, Participating Organizations and Associates**

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Membership in the Group on Earth Observations (GEO) is open to all Member States of the United Nations and to the European Union as represented by the European Commission.

GEO welcomes, as Participating Organizations, intergovernmental, international, and regional organizations, development banks, foundations, non-governmental organizations, and not-for-profit associations of commercial entities with a mandate and/or interest in, or be a user of Earth observations, information or services – that is the full spectrum, and/or value chain from data collection to use.

GEO welcomes, as GEO Associates, commercial firms and national associations of commercial firms, as well as non-governmental, not-for-profit and civil society organizations with a national or sub-national mandate or scope of operations related to Earth observations.

Since GEO-20 Plenary (May 2025), the following Members, Participating Organizations and Associates have joined GEO.

### **1 MEMBERS**

- The Togolese Republic became a GEO Member, effective 17 December 2025.

Total number of Members in GEO: 117 (116 countries and the European Union).

### **2 PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**

Per the Rules of Procedure (Annex A.2), GEO's Executive Committee reviews and makes decisions regarding granting Participating Organization status to new applicants. Since May 2025, the following organizations were approved by the Executive Committee:

- Approved at the 67<sup>th</sup> Session of the GEO Executive Committee, 28-29 October 2025:
  - Akros (NGO, health systems, Zambia);
  - Pacific GIS and Remote Sensing Council (Not-for-profit, Fiji);
  - Svalbard Integrated Arctic Earth Observing System (SIOS) (International research collaboration, Norway).
- Approved at the 68<sup>th</sup> Session of the GEO Executive Committee, 17-18 March 2026:
  - Aerosol, Clouds and Trace Gases Research Infrastructure (ACTRIS);

- World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies (WOCAT);
- Approved at the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the GEO Executive Committee, 25 May 2026:
  - International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

Total number of Participating Organizations in GEO: 163.

### 3 ASSOCIATES

Per the Rules of Procedure (Annex A.3), GEO's Executive Committee reviews and makes decisions regarding granting Associate status to new applicants. The Executive Committee only reviews applications that are supported by the Principal of the GEO Member in which the applicant is registered. Since May 2025, the following organizations were approved by the Executive Committee:

- Approved at the 68<sup>th</sup> Session of the GEO Executive Committee, 17-18 March 2026:
  - HighTide Intelligence;
  - Open Oceans Global.
- Approved at the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the GEO Executive Committee, 25 May 2026:
  - Geospatial Information Technologies (Kiklo).

Total number of Associates in GEO: 27.