



**Europe Regional Committee of United Nations
Global Geospatial Information Management
UN-GGIM: Europe**

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Thirteenth Plenary Meeting of UN-GGIM: Europe -- Draft Agenda

Tempus Building, Palais des Nations, Geneva

23 June 2026

Afternoon Session 13:00 – 17:30 CEST			
Opening of the Thirteenth Plenary of UN-GGIM: Europe			
13:00	1	Welcome (and adoption of agenda)	<i>Ingrid Vanden Berghe, Chair UN-GGIM: Europe</i>
	2	Welcome	<i>UNSD UNECE Statistical Division</i>
Session 1: Implementing the UN-GGIM: Europe Strategy			
Session Chair: Mikko Lindholm, Member of UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee			
This session will report on the work carried out by the Regional Committee during the inter-plenary period. The session will present the Europe Region Workplan and expand on the priorities UN-GGIM: Europe will focus on for the next years.			
13:30 - 14:45	3	UN-GGIM: Europe - Year in Review	<i>Ingrid Vanden Berghe, Chair UN-GGIM: Europe</i>
	4	The Europe Region Workplan	<i>James Norris, UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee</i>
Group Photo Coffee break (45 min)			
Session 2: Leveraging Geospatial Information to Tackle Global Challenges			
Session Chair: Tomaz Petek, Member of UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee			
This session will explore how geospatial data and services can be effectively leveraged to address a range of global challenges. It will demonstrate the critical role of geospatial technologies in supporting decision-making, policy development, and on-the-ground action across various domains.			
15:30 - 16:30	5	UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction	<i>Rhea Katsanakis, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction</i>
	6	United Nations Environment Programme	<i>Pascal Peduzzi, United Nations Environment Programme</i>
	7	Discussion and Q&A	<i>All speakers + audience</i>



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Session 3: Harnessing Geospatial Data for Sustainable Housing and Land Management

Session Chair: Darko Vucetic, Member of UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee

With housing challenges at the forefront of many European nations' agendas, this session will explore how geospatial data and technologies can be leveraged in the development of innovative solutions to support sustainable housing policies and land management practices.

Session concept note available online

16:30 – 17:30	8	Presentation 1: Housing in Europe	<i>Maike Salize, UNECE: Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management</i>
	9	Presentation 2: Land Administration Framework	<i>Paula Dijkstra, co-Chair UN-GGIM: Expert Group on Land Administration and Management</i>
	10	Presentation 3: Geospatial Evidence for Housing	<i>Marta Nagy-Rothengass, Eurostat</i>
	11	Panel Discussion & Q&A	<i>All speakers + audience</i>

24 June 2026

Morning Session: 9:30 – 13:00 CEST

Welcome Day 2 of the Thirteenth Plenary of UN-GGIM: Europe

Session 4: Advancing the Global Agenda: UN-GGIM: Europe contributing to the Committee of Experts

Session Chair: Ingrid Vanden Berghe, Chair UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee

This session will update on the priorities of the Committee of Experts. It will also explore the contribution from the Europe Region participation and contribution to global UN-GGIM programme taking into consideration the regional priorities and challenges.

Discussion note available online

9:35 – 10:00 10:00 – 10:45	12	Update on UN-GGIM Priorities	<i>Guillaume Le Sourd, UN Global Geospatial Information Management, Statistics Division</i>
	13	Update on HLG-IGIF	<i>Fernand Guy Isseri, Co-Chair HLG-IGIF</i>
	14	Update on Sub-Committee on Geodesy	<i>Steffen Schön, Germany</i>
	15	Update on EG-LAM	<i>Paula Dijkstra, Co-Chair EG-LAM</i>
	16	Discussion - Europe contributing to global agenda	<i>Plenary discussion lead by session Chair</i>



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<i>Coffee break (30 mins)</i>			
Session 5: Breakout Session: <i>Towards an Integrated Data Framework for the Next Global Development Agenda: Opportunities and Priorities</i> Session Chair: James Norris, Member of UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee			
An interactive discussion on advancing an integrated data framework for the next global development agenda. Participants identify priorities and opportunities for integrating multiple data sources, geospatial, statistical, earth observation and beyond, and develop strategies to articulate their value. <i>Session concept note available online</i>			
11:15 – 12:15	17	<i>Three breakout session for group discussion</i>	<i>All to participate</i>
Session 6: Formal Business Session Chair: Neoclis Neocleous, Member of UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee			
12:15 – 13:00	18	Adoption of UN-GGIM: Europe work plan	<i>Chair UN-GGIM: Europe</i>
	19	Appointment of members of the UN-GGIM: Europe Executive Committee	<i>Session Chair</i>
	20	Plenary wrap-up and decisions	<i>UN-GGIM: Europe Secretariat</i>
	21	Closing Remarks	<i>Chair UN-GGIM: Europe</i>
Close of the Thirteenth Plenary of UN-GGIM: Europe			

**Joint plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians and the Regional
Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for
Europe**

Tentative timetable

In-person meeting in English, French and Russian

Tempus Building, Palais des Nations

Wednesday, 24 June (14:30 – 17:30)		
<i>Joint plenary session of CES and UN-GGIM: Europe</i>		
14:30 - 14:40	1	Opening and adoption of the agenda
14:40 - 17:30	2	Integration of statistical and geospatial information, incl. 20-minute break
17:30		Closing of the joint session of CES and UN-GGIM: Europe
17:30 – 17:45		Group Photo
17:45 – 19:00		Reception offered by the Swiss Federal Statistical Office (Restaurant des Délégués, Building A, 8th floor)

Further documents can be accessed and consulted via the [webpage](#) dedicated to the 74th Plenary Session of the Conference of European Statisticians