

Update on preparations for GEO-VI Washington DC, 17-18 November 2009

Preparations for GEO-VI are progressing smoothly. The GEO Secretariat Director and Programme Manager visited the venue and had discussions with the representatives of USGEO and the External Relations Manager visited the Exhibition venue and met with the Exhibition organizers.

A letter has been sent to the GEO Leadership calling for Delegation Lists and announcing registration procedures. A preliminary Agenda has been distributed to members of the Executive Committee for discussion.

Interest in participating in the GEO-VI Exhibition has proven much greater than expected. Some 30 separate booths have been reserved by governments, organizations and private companies. The Secretariat is working closely with the exhibitors, the host government and exhibition contractors to ensure that the Exhibition will be a success.

An updated “Week at a Glance” is attached as Annex I to this document. It is updated regularly and available on the GEO Website.

ANNEX 1

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Thu 12	GEOSS Workshop XXXI - Using Earth Observations for Health - a workshop of the GEO Health and the Environment Community of Practice	tbd	tbd
Fri 13	GEOSS Workshop XXXI - Using Earth Observations for Health - a workshop of the GEO Health and the Environment Community of Practice	tbd	tbd
	Earth Observations Symposium (CSIS)	tbd	tbd
Sat 14	Science and Technology Committee meeting	tbd	tbd
Sun 15	User Interface Committee meeting	tbd	tbd
Mon 16	17th Executive Committee Meeting	Ronald Reagan Building	tbd
	User Interface Committee meeting	tbd	tbd
	ADC Co-Chairs meeting	tbd	tbd
	Data Sharing Task Force meeting	tbd	16h00 - 18h00
Tue 17	GEO-VI Plenary Session	Ronald Reagan Building	09h30 - 18h30
	GEO-VI Reception	Smithsonian Natural History Museum, Sant Ocean Hall	19h30
Wed 18	GEO-VI Plenary Session	Ronald Reagan Building	tbd
	GEO-IGOS Reception	Embassy of France	buses departing from Ronald Reagan Building at 19h00
	Carbon Community of Practice and GEO Events	tbd	09h30 - 12h30
Thu 19	GEO-IGOS Symposium	Smithsonian Natural History Museum	tbd

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Fri 20	GEOSS in the Americas Forum	tbd	tbd
	Data Sharing Task Force progress meeting (closed meeting)	tbd	09h00 - 13h00
	ADC Co-Chairs meeting	tbd	09h00 - 13h00
	Joint Data Sharing Task Force and ADC Co-Chairs meeting	tbd	14h00 - 18h00