



Working Group 3: The GEO Carbon and GHG Initiative









Defines user needs

Develops concepts and applications.

Community building

GEO Community Activities

Contributes to user needs

Demonstrates pilot or prototype services. Members / PO / CoP coordinate

GEO Initiatives

Support for GEOSS implementation

Satisfies user needs

Develops pre-operational services. Members / PO / CoP operate

GEO Flagships

GEO Foundational Tasks

Over-arching activities described in the GEO WP. Initiated by GEO Secretariat.





Who are the users?



• "The Initiative aims to provide decision makers with timely and reliable policy-relevant information"

Source: GEO-C Implementation Plan

• "The final users, in addition to the scientific community, are GEO members and decision makers that can benefit from the improved information flow and use it to address climate change policy."

Source: GEO-XIII-2-Inf-02(Rev1)_Flagships and Initiatives





Task 1 User needs and policy interface

Activity 1.1 – User identification

Activity 1.2 – User needs assessment

Activity 1.3 – Address the policy agenda

Deliverables for 2017:

- 1.1 A list of user groups identified and committed to interact with this initiative
- 1.2 A user needs assessment report





Responding to the Paris Agreement

Article 4 and Article 13 – National Reporting

- Reported five-yearly by parties, successive reductions in emissions
- Using existing methods and guidance; not validation

Article 5 Mitigation

Knowledge of evolution of sinks and sources

Article 7 Adaptation

- (7.6) Strengthening cooperation,
- (7.7c) Research, systematic observation

Article 10 Technology Transfer & Article 11 Capacity Development

Article 14 Global stocktaking

• in the light of equity and the <u>best available science</u>: 2023, 2028...

Article 15 Compliance

