

## How to Become a GEO Member / Participating Organization

- ***www.earthobservations.org***
- Membership is open to all UN member States.
- Membership in GEO is contingent upon formal endorsement of the GEO System of Systems (GEOSS) 10-Year Implementation Plan ([http://earthobservations.org/geoss\\_wp.php](http://earthobservations.org/geoss_wp.php)).
- All members belong to a regional caucus, who nominate members of the Executive Committee, and can also hold regional consultations or organize symposia focused on the regional implementation of GEOSS.
- Membership in GEO does not require compulsory annual dues, but members are encouraged to contribute financial resources, to the greatest extent possible, in addition to the human, intellectual and programmatic (*in kind*) resources needed to fully implement GEOSS.
- National coordination is encouraged, among all agencies and entities related to Earth Observations (e.g. Environment, Mapping and Space Agencies, Science and Technology, Foreign Ministries, etc). Each country should designate a GEO Principal, responsible for national coordination and for representing the country before GEO and regional caucuses.
- To become a Member of GEO, contact the GEO Secretariat at [secretariat@geosec.org](mailto:secretariat@geosec.org)
- Current GEO Members can check their GEO designation information by consulting the list at the GEO website ([www.earthobservations.org](http://www.earthobservations.org)) and/or the GEO Americas list provided in this package.