

Committee on Earth Observation Satellites

GEO and SDGs

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Achieving the SDGs

• Lead GEO Co-Chair Objective 1.1

 indicator broadened to refer to supporting country achievement of the SDGs (and not only reporting against commitments).

Objective 1.1 – GEO supports its Member	GEO makes available tools and platforms to support country
governments in using Earth observations in	achievement of the SDGs and reporting against commitments
responding to and monitoring progress toward	with respect to the SDGs.
the Sustainable Development Goals	





- Principally through GEO Work Programme activities:
 - Flagships: GEO BON, GEOGLAM, GFOI, GOS4M
 - Initiatives: EO4SDGs, GEO Blue Planet, AquaWatch, GEOGLOWS, GEO LDN
- Open Data Cubes essential for community to make progress on SDGs.
 - **Data Cubes help GEO address SDGs in two important ways:**
 - (a) reproduce published results
 - (b) develop new strategies to improve the description of planet
- Further progress requires CEOS support to improve the quality and availability of Data Cubes worldwide.





- CEOS already working with GEO across all engagement priorities
 - **o** Need for more integrated approach
 - CEOS inputs welcome on Global Assessment Report (GAR) as part of the Sendai Framework
 - **O Digital Earth Africa**
 - ensure coordinated communication across diverse bodies
 - close collaboration on data flows and ODC technologies





Thank You

Communicate and Collaborate with GEO:

