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Good Will and Volunteerism is NOT Sustainable

Formalise collaboration / co-operation - Shared objectives and expectations ; Defined roles and responsibilities ; Measurable benefits and value ; Shared commitment

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Co-operate with organisations who represent a diverse group of members

Work collaboratively to build the *capabilities* of geospatial and surveying professional to meet the *challenges of the future*

FIG AP CDN – Capabilities to be Developed

Level	Competency Requirements	Training provided by	Comments
1	 Basic understanding of: GNSS Reference frames, including geoid models, vertical and horizontal datums Geospatial information integration and interoperability 	 Educational institutions – universities and polytechnic institutes Government geodetic, survey and mapping agency Private companies Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence (GGCE) participant 	Countries that might have one CORs and maintain a traditional geodetic network of reference marks.
2	 The above plus knowledge of: Constructing, building and running a small CORs network GNSS processing using standard commercial / consumer off-the-shelf software Least squares processing and provision of datum access Geoids models, precision, determinations and basic implementation Implementation of a vertical datum including use of geoid models 	 Educational institutions – universities and polytechs UN-GGIM Geodesy Capacity Group FIG / IAG Government geodetic, survey and mapping agency Private companies GGCE participant 	Countries with small CORs network and those who adopt global Reference frames for their nation reference frames.

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3	 The above plus high knowledge of: Implementing and running large CORs networks High end GNSS processing and datum access Geoid model computation and implementation into a vertical datums Monitoring earth dynamics and including in datum realization Geodetic database management 	 Specialized courses – e.g. geoid school UN-GGIM Geodesy Capacity Group IAG / FIG Government geodetic, survey and mapping agency Private companies GGCE participant 	Countries with a more extensive CORS and developing their own specialized national and vertical datum.
4	 The above plus expert knowledge of: Reference frame determination and computation High end GNSS analysis and processing SLR including analysis and processing VLBI including analysis and processing Gravity collection, processing and geoid determination Analysis centre – combining various geodetic techniques to determine reference frame parameters Use of other potential geodetic techniques – e.g. DORIS and InSAR 	 IAG Specialist training courses run by space or government geodetic, survey and mapping agency – e.g. on VLBI or SLR Private companies GGCE participant Specialized software training courses – e.g. Bernese and GipsyX 	Countries engaged in Global Reference frame determination and Geodesy Science.

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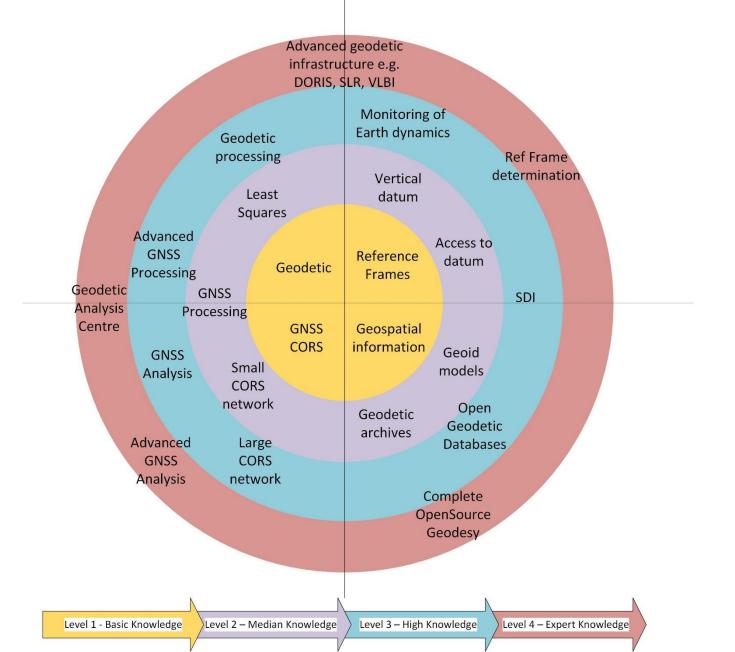
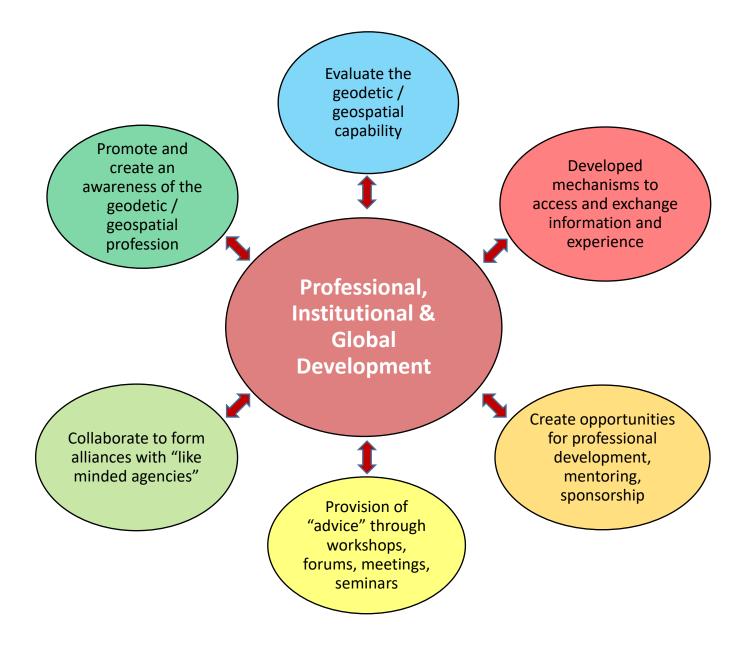


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- A Global Survey of Reference Frame Competency in terms of Education, Training and Capacity Building (ETCB): Results, Analysis and Update Ryan Keenan (Australia), Allison Craddock (USA), Mikael Lilje (Sweden) and Robert Sarib (Australia)
- Capacity Development Program for a Modernised Geodetic Framework - Robert Sarib (Australia)

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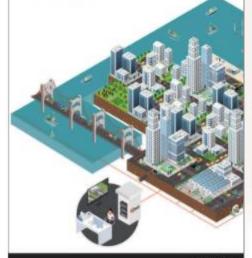
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Efforts to develop local capacity for geodesy in both techr are making serious headway in the Asia Pacific region. He from the Pacific Islands showcasing the latest developme courtesy of the United Nation's Committee on Global Geo Subcommittee on Geodesy and FIG's Asia Pacific Capacity

Introduction By - Allison craddock and Rob sarih

Global geodesy is dependent on findable, accessible, inter-operable and reusable (FAIR) contributions from nations all around the globe. Experts state, no single country can maintain the Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF), thus regional collaboration amongst countries to leverage their limited assets, geodetic infrastructure, knowledge and capabilities to perform precise measurements is a necessity.

To support regional collaboration between government geodetic survey organisations (CSOs) and nongovernment organisations (NCOs), countries employ, to varying degrees, the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management (UN GGIM) and World Bank "Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF)", This guiding framework facilitates a common approach to preparing national or country action plans (CAPs) for the development, integration, strengthening and maximisation of geodetic and geospatial infrastructure and systems, as well as resourcing, and developing capabilities. For some countries it is a 'roadmap and pathway' to reducing the geodetic and geospatial digital divide with their more prosperous neighbors, securing socio-economic prosperity, and providing justilication or rationale for development partner funding of geodetic or geospatial projects.

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modernisation programs in CAPs, there are also other initiatives that will require assistance, such as - Revision of legislation of the Native Lands Act, and relevant Survey legislation to align with Tuyalu's ICIF

and CAP aspirations; and Upgrading of Tuvalu's Navigation Charts, to assist commercial shipping and cruise liners to navigate Tuvalu's waters safely, thus improve the trade and tourism industry, once the

COVID-19 influences have subsided.

Embracing challenges through Partnerships, Pacific Geospatial & Surveying Council (PGSC) and the Pacific Community (SPC) By - Andrick Lal, senior Geodetic surveyor

In November 2014, a group of Pacific regional surveying and geospatial experts met in the margins of the annual Pacific Geospatial Information Systems and Remote Sensing (GIS/RS) User Conference in Suva, Fiji. It was at this meeting that the PGSC was first envbaged and a charter governing its mission and objectives was developed. In addition, the Pacific Community (SPC) established the Pacific Geospatial and Surveying Partnership Desk to provide secretariat services and support the PGSC in achieving its goals and objectives.

Briefly, the PGSC, is an independent regional advisory body that provides a forum for Pacific Island geospatial information and survey authorities to discuss and address regional challenges. The PGSC aims to collaborate with regional and international organisations, associations, educational institutions and technical groups to support progress on national, regional and global development objectives for sustainable development in the Pacific enabled by

world-class geospatial information and surveying services. The 14 country members of the PGSC

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sustainable development activities in the world today. The services provided by Pacific Island geospatial scientists and surveyors contribute to the security and well-being of Pacific people, supporting numerous industries and sectors. These include natural resource management, civil engineering, climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction, transport, land ownership, health, and arriculture to name a few.

The SPC is the principal scientific and technical organisation in the Pacific region, proudly supporting development since 1947. From a geodetic modernisation perspective the SPC Geodetic Survey Team deliver professional advice and services to the PICTs. This primarily involves provision of instrumentation; onsite technical puidance or support on numerous field survey operations or techniques processing and management of peodetic data; geodetic datum and positioning matters; GNSS base stations; GNSS measurements for survey control monitoring, cadastral or geospatial activities; and precision levelling monitoring surveys, including assisting with tide gauge measurements for the Pacific Sea Level & Monitoring Project in the Pacific

Partnerships are critical to the successful implementation of the Pacific Geospatial and Surveying Council Strategy 2017-2027. The responsibilities of regional surveyors and geospatial managers frequently correspond to broader initiatives, which all contribute oward achievement of United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The PGSC relies upon collaboration, and is an ortant contributor towards sustainin a CCRF and global efforts to improve positioning and geospatial information The goals of the PCSC the Partnership

Desk and SPC are focused on-Positionin

· Geospatial Policy & Data Management · Capacity Building

Since, 2014 the PGSC, Partnership Desk. SPC and development partners such



as International Association of Geodese (IAC). UN GGIM AP. UN Office of Oute Space Affairs, FIG and neighbouring GSOs, have cooperated to enhance and engage the geospatial and surveying community in the PICTs. This has been achieved through supporting, organising and bosting various activities in the region such as seminars, workshors. canacity development events, and meetings, as well as online forums and webinars on identified geodetic or geospatial topics and challenges. Recently, in August 2020, the 3th

Pacific Geospatial and Surveying Council (PCSC) meeting was held virtually from the 11th to 14th and 25th Aurust 2020. and was hosted by the SPC in Sova, Fiji. There were almost 200 attendees each day, to participant in virtual panel discussions on presentations from international experts, regional partners and PGSC members. The meeting, like previous ones, was an opportunity for the PCSC members and partners to report. collaborate and plan on leadership standards and technology, sustainability and capacity development, in line with the PGSC Strategy 2017-2027. Please refer to the web locations for the article regarding this meeting Pacific calls for Integrated Geospatial Information Management and for meeting proceedings.



Modern Geodetic Infrastructure - Key to **Consistency and Efficiency** By - sanjesh kumar, senior surveyo Asakala tabua, surveyor-general FIJI

Fiji is highly vulnerable to natural disasters such as cyclones, coastal inundation and flooding due to climate change and subsequent sea level rise. These natural events affect the food security livestocks, infrastructure, health housing and livelihoods of more than 800,000 Fijians. It is therefore critical for Fill to mitigate the influence of natural disasters and climate change. Surveyors can alleviate this impact by applying their skills to disaster preparedness, building resilience, quantifying the environmental and social changes, and providing qualitative analysis. The keys to monitoring and measuring such changes is access to reliable satellite positioning technology, high resolution and accurate geospatial data and information Underpinning these activities, Fiji recognised the need and importance of a consistent, comprehensive and modernised geodetic reference frame, and positioning network.

To achieve a modernised datum Fiji has embraced the challenges and







rom a local datum to a GGRF, such as

Frame (TTRF). Presently, the FTRF, and /

(APREF), is the frame adopted by many

datum, primarily because of its reliability

accuracy and accessibility. As such, Fiji's Cabinet Memorandum - 'Modernizing

aligned to the 2015 UN General Assembly

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2013. This mandate to modernise their

eodetic datum, also set the roadman

for the integration, interoperability and

management of geospatial information

Prior to modernisation, Fiji's geodetic

datum was based on the World Geodetic System 1972 (WGS72) and comprised of a

network of triangulation and trilateration

ordinates for the datum were significantly biased by survey inconsistencies and

order of several decimeters. Despite this

WGS72 met user's needs for a period of

time, however today this reference frame

and the accuracy of the co-ordinates, can no longer satisfy the requirements

positioning, and autonomous vehicles.

Also, with the advent of accurate geo-

referenced data being readily available

rapid technological changes, geospatial

management of the 'gap' is more complex and challenging. With this is mind, the

iji government saw the establishment

of a modern reodetic infrastructure and

datum as pathway to bridging the gap.

The government also acknowledged the necessity to build the capacity and

ustainable geodetic reference frame for

Briefly, datum modernisation started

with the construction of eight (8) GNSS CORS across Fiji. These stations

complemented two (2) GNSS CORS,

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deployed to carry out recont identification of existing 'passive' geodetic control stations (CCSs), that would be connected to the CNSS CORS, and form the liducial observations for the geodetic network adjustment.

In order for this geodetic field campaign to be successful, collaboratio and assistance with the Fiji Hydrographic Office, Fiji Navy, SPC, PGSC and Partnership Desk was necessary. The campaign involved more than sixty (60) survey personnel and included a three-day workshop in the operation of GNSS survey equipment. This training and capacity building for the survey personnel was facilitated by the SPC and Partnership Desk in October 2019.

The field campaign involved, the occupation of 164 GCSs with GNSS receivers, and was divided into three (3) phases. The GCSs were occupied continuously for 7 days, and each phase was completed in November 2019. December 2019 and February 2020 respectively. A number of these GCSa occupied were existing Doppler stations, and first order trigonometric stations, which were originally observed in the early 1980's. Observations on first order trigonometric geodetic stations were primarily on the islands of Viti Levu and Vanua Levu, as well as the Maritime Islands. Other observations were taken to selected parcels, and standard survey marks in major towns and cities. A substantial amount of the CNSS

survey data acquired during the field survey campaign will be used to validate the position of Fijfs existing geodetic tem and the determination of a new peodetic datum aligned to the FTRF / GGRF. The GNSS data will subsequently be integrated with the Pacific GNSS CORS Network for the computation of the new transformation parameters, and be the primary network adjustment of Fiji.



Geodetic Survey Stations occupied in Field Survey campaign.



FIG AP CDN – Related 2020 Activities



- Report <u>https://www.councilpacificaffairs.org/news-media/pacific-calls-for-integrated-geospatial-information-management/</u>
- Technical Papers <u>http://pgsc.gem.spc.int/5th-meeting-papers/</u>
- PGSC Meeting Outcome <u>http://pgsc.gem.spc.int/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2020/09/PGSC-5-Outcome-statement-and-declaration-</u> <u>Final-1.pdf</u>

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FIG AP CDN – Related 2021 Activities



Date: Earth Day, Thursday, 22 April 2021 | Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon (UTC) / 6:30 am - 8:00 am (EDT-New York)

With an Opening Address from His Excellency Ambassador Peter Thomson UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean Global Geodesy Ambassador

For program details and recording, please visit the forum website at -

http://ggim.un.org/meetings/2021/Global_Geodesy_Forum/

FIG AP CDN – Work Plan Objectives

Advocate the importance of modernising a geodetic datum	
Discover flexible, agile and accessible means to enhance core competencies and share technical knowledge / experiences	
Demonstrate the benefits of capacity development and collaboration	
Resolve capability and administrative challenges	
Work with FIG African Regional Network and other 'like' regional bodies (ie SIRGAS)	
Development of a new FIG AP CDN website	
Leverage partnerships / opportunities to discover and improve pathways for professional development and mutual recognition of qualifications.	

FIG AP CDN – Liaisons / Activities with Partners (GSOs, IAG, UNOOSA, UN GGIM AP / SCoG ETCB etc)

- Advocacy and exposure that organisational change, capacity building, and integrated action planning will -
 - Support geodetic and geospatial infrastructure modernisation
 - Reduce the digital divide / technical skills gap between the developed and emerging economies,
 - Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, and
 - Better manage disasters before, during and after.
- Support the Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF) and the UN GGIM Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF) via -
 - Development of the Geodetic and Positioning thematic layer for the implementation of the IGIF
 - Educational, training, capacity building initiatives of the Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence (GGCE) that will empower emerging countries to contribute to a sustainable GGRF.

Capacity Development (CD) Initiatives

- Technical geodetic and geospatial seminars
 - Fundamentals of geodetic surveying
 - GNSS CORS and positioning infrastructure and applications
 - Vertical reference surfaces, geoids, tides, gravity, datum integration.
 - Manipulation and integration of geodetic / geospatial datasets (cadastre)
 - Geospatial information dataset and database management, integrated systems and interoperability of databases, visualisation, dissemination / access
 - Combining geodetic and geospatial information measurement techniques and their applications – imagery, LiDAR, tidal, positioning etc



Capacity Development (CD) Initiatives

- "Soft skills" geodetic and geospatial information seminars
 - Preparing CD organisational / operational plans; align plans with country action planning, GGRF, IGIF; "why, what and how"; change management
 - Understanding and leveraging the interaction of CD with GGRF, IGIF, GGCE
 - Developing a Geodetic and Positioning layer / framework for the IGIF similar to "FELA – Framework for Effective Land Administration"
 - Developing / Modernising the legal, policy, standards and practices, guides frameworks
 - Advocating / exposing the importance of what we do and produce to decision makers; benefits to science, society and the environment; materials or mechanisms that do this effectively



FIG e-Working Week - Challenges in a New Reality





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Session - Coordination of Global to Regional Geodetic Efforts through the United Nations Commission: 2 & 5

Discussion paper

A Geodetic and Positioning Thematic Layer – Identifying Tools to Connect the GGRF and IGIF

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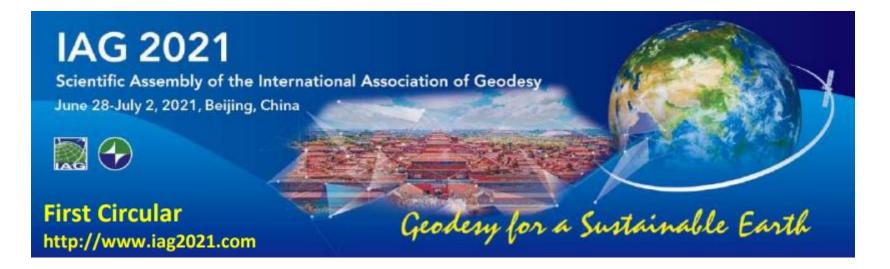
Future 2021 Activities

UN SCOG ETCB & UN GGIM

2021 Regional Geodetic Capacity Development Questionnaire



Future 2021 Related Activities ?



Symposium 5, Session 6: Geodesy contributions to address societal challenges

This session solicits contributions focusing on aspects of :

- Development of sustainable Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF)
- Global and Regional collaboration to sustain GGRF
- Recent progress from the UN, GEO and other stakeholders
- Common challenges in geodesy that are related to societal issues

Future 2021 Related Activities ?

Possible GNSS CORS / Modernising Geodetic Datums / Capacity Development sessions

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