



The current GEOSS goal

- *“To monitor continuously the state of the Earth, to increase understanding of dynamic Earth processes, to enhance prediction of the Earth system, and to further implement our international environmental treaty obligations”, we need “timely, quality, long-term, global information as a basis for sound decision making” (Washington Summit Declaration). To provide this valuable information and to move from principles to action, we make this “10-Year Implementation Plan for establishing the **Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)**” which should be “comprehensive”, “coordinated”, and “sustained” (Framework Document).*

■ Focus on Societal Benefits: GEOSS Topics

- Disasters (IGOS-P),
- Climate Change (GCOS,WCRP),
- Water Cycle (IGOS-P),
- Weather (WMO)
- Ecosystems Protection (IGOS-P)
- Agriculture,
- Energy,
- Human Health,
- Biodiversity



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(inter agency working group on earth observations)

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