



GEO Call for Proposals: Earth Observations in Decision Support Projects

The Group on Earth Observations (GEO) is an intergovernmental body that promotes the provision and use of Earth observations. GEO is coordinating efforts to build a Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS), which will serve the need for timely, quality Earth observations as a basis for sound decision making and will enhance delivery of benefits to society.

GEO has issued a Call for Proposals (CFP) for organizations to propose or participate in projects that apply Earth observations in decision support activities. With this CFP, GEO seeks to promote practical applications of Earth observations to improve decision making and to highlight specific examples in which Earth observations provide societal benefit.

The CFP has a strong interest to support end users in developing countries to apply Earth observations and demonstrate the benefits of Earth observation applications to end users in these countries. The CFP also seeks to identify individuals and organizations interested in serving as advisors to project teams.

This CFP requests projects for the following GEO Societal Benefit Areas:

Agriculture (including forests)
Energy

Health (including air quality)
Water

Funding for selected projects will not be directly from GEO. GEO will attempt to match projects, particularly those focused on developing countries, with resource-providing organizations. GEO will connect project teams with organizations and advisors who can assist with Earth observations, GEOSS, applications, and project development. GEO will support trainings and showcase events for the projects.

The GEO Call for Proposals is available through the GEO Website:

http://www.earthobservations.org/documents/cfp/200902_cfp_eodsp.pdf

Call for Proposals Schedule

GEO CFP Released:	February 13, 2009
Brief Concept Proposals Due:	June 4, 2009
Full Proposals Due:	November 10, 2009
Selections Announced:	January 2010
Kick-off Meeting:	March 2010

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