

# Minutes OneGeology Operational Group Meeting #16

Date: Wednesday 21st June 2023

**Zoom Meeting:** https://ukri.zoom.us/j/91904082697

	Local Time		Local Time
Nottingham (United Kingdom)	10:00	Tokyo (Japan)	18:00
Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)	06:00	Canberra (Australia)	19:00
Vienna (Austria)	11:00	Dublin (Ireland)	10:00
Paris (France - Île-de-France)	11:00	Washington DC (USA - District of Columbia)	05:00
Helsinki (Finland)	12:00	Uppsala (Sweden)	11:00
Amsterdam (Netherlands)	11:00	Faro (Portugal - Faro)	10:00
Daejeon (S. Korea)	18:00		•

#### **Attended**

Lars Kristian Stolen (LCS)	Digital Strategist, Geological Survey of Sweden
Lidia Quental (LQ)	Geological Survey of Portugal (LNEG)
Dr. Shinji Takarada (ST)	Technical Contact Geological Survey of Japan (Deputy)
JongGyu Han (JGH)	Head of Data Centre KIGAM
Hiran Dias (HD)	Geological Survey of Brazil (CPRM)
Margareta Harbich (MH)	Geological Survey of Austria

#### **OneGeology Administration**

Matt Harrison (MH)	Director of Information Systems, French Geological Survey BRGM
Garry Baker (GB)	Director of Informatics – British Geological Survey
James Passmore (JP)	OneGeology Technical Expert – British Geological Survey
Amaya Fuenzalida (AF)	OneGeology Technical Expert – BRGM
Jen Gregor	OneGeology Administrator – British Geological Survey

### **AGENDA**

1. Welcome and Apologies – Chair

Apologies from Ricky Terrington and Vanessa Banks

- 2. Formal Agreement of Operational Meeting #15 notes and actions Chair
- 3. Review of Outstanding actions from Meeting #15 Chair

Action	Actions List: Operational Meeting #15			
ITEM	ACTION	LEAD	DUE	Update
			DATE	
14.02	GB to add brief	GB		After today's meeting Garry
	description/example to next			will write a few lines
	agenda for what updates people			
	might like to provide during the			
	updates from the round the			
	table item on the agenda			

14.06	James to report his view, whether more languages on the children's pages are important etc.	JP	Closed
14.11	GB and VTH to discuss setting up a Gantt chart	GB/VTH	With Garry for Review – Garry to add milestones and actions. Will circulate for participants to add to
15.01	Explore and share thoughts on subjects we can set meetings up to gain ideas on data sharing worldwide. Furthermore, think about other topics people would like to have meetings/online workshops on as not many events in 2023	MH/ALL	Closed

#### 4. Update from around the table

Brief introductions from attendees to introduce new participants. MH first to introduce new opportunities in Europe. Global meeting in Europe last month, people meeting more regularly, almost as if we did before covid. One of the more global meetings was GIC – directors of informatics and geoscience organisations from round the world. Variety of initiatives happening round the world, challenges we're facing. F principles round the world. Relationships between geological surveys and research committees. Heavily pushing digital twins. Geological service in Europe. Building on the EGDI – European platform. How we've engaged and are engaging with other initiatives.

Hiran had an update from we are working on modernisation. Hydrological data, creating massive portal for all data. Just now we are starting to work on 3D team. More modern software. Working with ESRI technology map servers and GeoServer. Making technologies work together for new portal. In two years could be there.

## **5. Introduction Information from Vanessa Banks (VTH)** HIPS and UN Sustainable Goals - Policy perspective request

Unfortunately Vanessa couldn't attend but there is some international data that there is nowhere to store; Vanessa feels this could be hosted within OneGeology. Do we think we could host this data? Advantages; drive traffic through portal, make people more aware of other things we're doing, shows we're engaged with wider community. Formerly don't have the capability for it. Generally is a good idea and could agree to do things like this on a case by case basis. Does anyone else know of 'orphan datasets' we could find a home for? Any comments? In addition to orphan datasets, there's a lot of code lists behind this report that we could look at hosting. Code lists are a global issue. Australia rml code lists are hosted at geoscience Australia. BRGM have been trying to maintain European code list repository but also EGDI ones separately. Going to have to be case by case data as we need a partner to pick up the responsibility. Will circulate the paper and request feedback. Wouldn't want global datasets to not be accessible. Acknowledge we'll do a case by case basis. Garry, Matt and James to meet to discuss code list data, may be potential to set up a targeted workshop?

Action: JG to circulate document submitted by Vanessa Banks

**Action:** GB, MH, JP to meet to discuss code list data, whether we can host it and whether there's room for a targeted workshop

#### 6. Updates on Digital Twin Working Group (MH)

There haven't been any meetings. Previous digital twin meeting wasn't well attended. Progress is slow, action to follow up on this and get it progressing. Matt had an action to contact Barbara Ryan in regard to a digital twin workshop but had no response. Ricky will be at the next meeting to update.

**Action:** MH to meet with RT to discuss Digital Twins to get things progressing with the working group

#### 7. Finance and Membership (VTH)

Everybody has paid so far apart from Brazil. A number of staff changes at CPRM has meant struggling to get hold of people. Send invoice to Hiran and he will pass on to the new finance member of staff. Canada have withdrawn from OneGeology. Action to chase up the arrears situation.

**Action:** Need to chase finance about the arrears situation with Canada; if they owe us money as payment for membership is in arrears

#### 8. Communication and Outreach (VTH)

Trying to explore new ideas to improve outreach and communication. Two tweets from OneGeology yesterday; German language release on the kids' pages and we've moved the kids pages more to the forefront to make them more accessible. Portuguese translation was done last year. Working with NZ GS to publish their brand new Antarctica map which has just gone live so that was the other tweet. Twitter seems to be quite a good method of communication and draw people's attention to the portal. Try and tweet more going forward. Website developers said not a good idea to have twitter feed on front page of website, but we'll have look into that. Discussion around forthcoming events so will raise at agenda number 11.

#### 9. Technical Updates (JP/AF)

- Portal updates BRGM working on doing updates and fixes. Started last week so not huge progression yet. AF might be able to say more. We have a programme with a service in Japan so if we could test with Shinji. Access from Japan quite slow.
- Portal Stats Report add to next meeting agenda
- OneGeology Help Desk update (JP) New Zealand's Antarctica map
- TIG update (JP) no activity on TIG

#### 10. AOB

#### 11. Forthcoming Events & OneGeology Meetings (Chair)

OSSC Meeting – Sept 2023, in Netherlands TNO
Re-energise OneGeology with more physical meet ups, integrating with events already
going on. Tirza is keen we have a physical meeting and is hosting in September. There's a
need to discuss targeted workshops and meetings: what is OneGeology offering and what
could it be offering? Maybe digital twin was a bit too far in the future so not within
capability for all members. Targeted workshops for code lists. In the past virtual workshops

have worked very well, the issue is the follow up work that needs to align with the different organisations.

Proposed CGI, CGMW and Deep-Time Digital Earth meeting Chinese Geological Survey hosting in November. No dates as of yet. Specifically targeting what was necessary or what the next steps with Deep-Time Digital Earth are. How could we involve the wider community? Those more involved with CGI may be more informed. Those two opportunities for physical meetings and maybe attempt to add a technical meeting alongside. Need to get a group together to decide what topics for targeted workshops could be and then potential dates.

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16.03	MH to meet with RT to discuss Digital Twins to get things progressing with the working group	MH/RT		
16.04	Need to chase finance about the arrears situation with Canada; if they owe us money as payment for membership is in arrears	VTH		

16.05	Portal stats report from BRGM	AF	
	for next meeting		