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**Mapping the Future : The Private Sector Network's
Contribution to UN-GGIM Americas**

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What Did We Promise Last Year?

- New PSN Board – January 2023
- Participation in the WG on IGIF & WG on Strategic Framework for Geospatial Information and Services for Disasters (GISD)
- Greater collaboration with Standards body
- Maximize the PSN Americas network to articulate support for the Member States
 - Advisory role
 - Encourage the marketing of products that best suit regional needs
- Regional Geo-podcast
- Finding ways to support the strategic focus and work agenda of UNGGIM Americas

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- Supporting IGF initiatives
- Supporting CARIGEO
- Supporting the Regional Committee and it's workplan
- Participation in Regional projects
- Attracting a wider Membership – New Members joining the network (A range of companies- small to large)
- Supporting Activities at the Global Level
 - Geodetic –UN-GGCE (Albert Momo, Trimble)
 - UN GGIM Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information (Linda Peters, Esri)

Participation in UN-IGIF efforts

- UNGGIM PSN has a IGIF work program in workplan
 - Participation in IGIF initiatives at global level
 - White Paper preparation
 - Participation at Regional Level to support IGIF initiatives
 - Sensitizing members about IGIF
 - Participation in Resource mobilization efforts
 - Participation in communication and appropriate messaging efforts

UN-IGIF Workshop for the Caribbean



The Collaborators

A joint effort of UN-GGIM: Americas and the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLAC) and the Caribbean -in its role of Technical Secretariat of the mentioned Regional Committee- with the support and collaboration of the CARIGEO Initiative, the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS), Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Private Sector



Support for Member States

- The PSN has been working with the OECS and CARICOM to support Caribbean Member states
 - Directly – Advisory support to the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) commission
 - Support for 11 Caribbean Territories
 - Through CARIGEO
 - Several projects and initiatives including IGIF Support for Caribbean & Geostats Awareness Program
 - Tailor offerings for Member states
 - Participation in Education Events
 - Providing Resources to Support the Regional Work Agenda

Mapping the Conversations Podcast



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- Podcast has strategic partnerships with PSN and ANA
- The podcast invites audiences to explore the extraordinary intersection of geospatial technology and the intricate harmony of our planet.
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- Next Episode on November 1, 2023 – Diedre Bishop




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PSN supporting UNGGIM Americas Initiatives




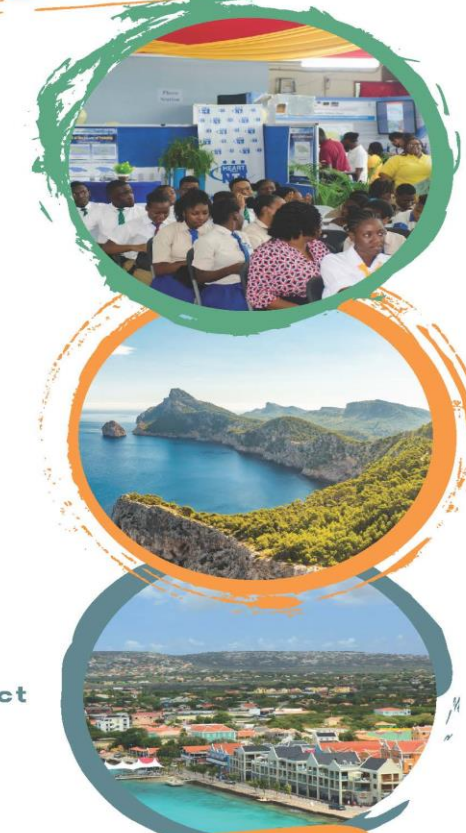
GeoStats Awareness
Caribbean Together: Everyone Counts

Join the launch
GeoStats Awareness Programme
Thursday 12th October 2023
at 10:00 to 11:00am GMT-4
[Click here to join the launch](#)

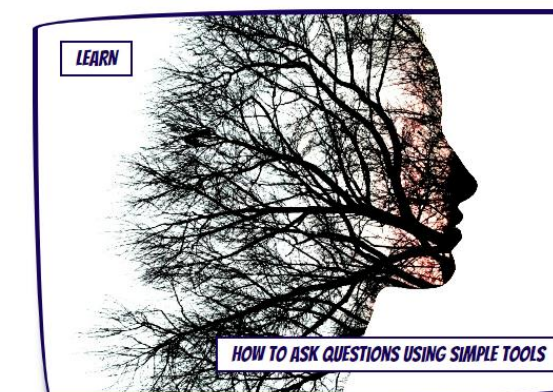
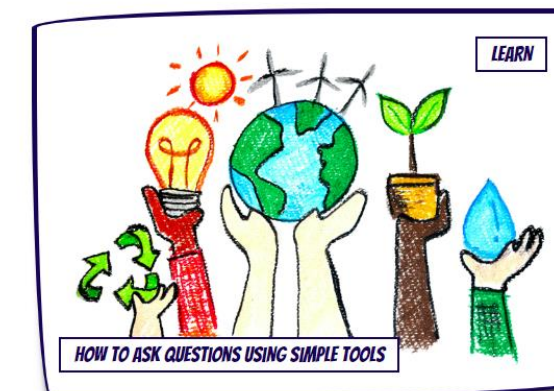
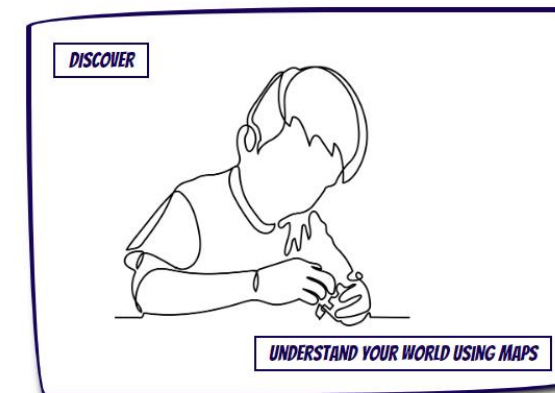
Caribbean Statistics Day
Sunday 15th October 2023
Celebration of Caribbean Statistics day that will serve as to springboard awareness on the value of Geospatial technologies and Statistics

GIS Day
Wednesday 15th November 2023
Fun and educational events that share how GIS helps to analyze earth's information, informs decision-making, and teach and inspire others

GeoStat Student Competition
15th January 2024, due date for final project
Enter the competition, learn how to use geospatial technology and statistics to create interactive maps; gain awards and recognition.
VISIT THE [Caribbean Geoportal](#)



- Geostats Awareness Program
 - <https://geostats-awareness-program-caribbean.hub.arcgis.com/>



GEOSTATS AWARENESS PROGRAM

COMPETITION DETAILS

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Latest Activity



- Side Event at 10th Session of UN-GGIM Americas – Bridging the Gap between Industry and Academia held October 17th, 2023
- Main Action items
 - Develop a Virtual Internship Program (VIP)
 - Regional Student Competition led by Industry/Academia



Mapping the Future

- Build on Existing Activities
- Expand the network
- More Public Private Partnerships
- Promoting DEI initiatives in Geospatial
- Promoting the use of geospatial information to address priority challenges in the Region
- Supporting the strategic focus and workplan of the UN-GGIM Americas
- Greater participation in Working groups
- Launch of Virtual Internship Program (VIP)
- Regional Student



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