



## Roundtable #2

### UN-GGIM Initiative: For an inventory of skills and needs in GNSS, geodetic reference systems, vertical systems, geoid models in African countries

#### Rationale

In 2011, the United Nations launched the GGIM initiative to review and coordinate global geospatial information management (<http://ggim.un.org>) to promote sustainable development, economic growth, poverty alleviation, peace and security, disaster risk reduction and adaptation to climate change.

The UN-GGIM Geodesy Subcommittee is working to develop an accurate and sustainable Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF).

The Subcommittee on Education, Training and Skills Building is responsible for assisting UN Member States to develop their skills and expertise for the global development of the GGRF. To this end, it has developed a questionnaire for which few African countries have responded, in particular French-speaking countries.

The purpose of this round table is to present the UN approach, some examples of the state of resources and needs, as well as existing solutions in geodesy in African countries, and to encourage as many people as possible to share the available information, in particular through the GGIM questionnaire.