

Stream 2: Consider the relevance, roles and outputs of the future NMGA in achieving sustainable development.

Addressing sustainable development, partly approached through the lens of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, highlights the degree to which geospatial data underpins the goals and cross cuts through them, with a potential for integration of the geospatial community beyond its traditional remit that is yet to be fully realised.

Key to the concluding recommendations is ***local appropriation of simple, practical and tangible use cases***; A universal approach is neither desired nor appropriate, with cultural and infrastructural variations as crucial considerations.

Understanding the political drivers of a government offers the opportunity to approach geospatial matters in an accessible way, presenting the relevance of NGMAs in advancing towards sustainable development. Communication is vital in the coming years, with the forthcoming GEO plenary providing an opportunity to raise concerns of a lack of wider integration.