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GWF 2026: Coming Home to Amsterdam

Geospatial World Forum returns to where it all began—RAI Congress Centre, Amsterdam. In 2012, Amsterdam hosted a defining moment in the global geospatial journey—a gathering that sparked dialogue, challenged boundaries, and set the tone for the coming decade.

This homecoming is both a celebration and a statement. The city with its progressive spirit, inclusive culture, and commitment to innovation and sustainability, symbolizes openness, innovation, and diplomacy—all values deeply embedded in the geospatial agenda. And the RAI Congress Centre—renowned for its scale, energy, and global outlook—provides the ideal setting for high-level dialogue, immersive experiences, and cross-sectoral collaboration.

In a world seeking clarity and connection, GWF 2026 is where the geospatial community reunites—to reflect, reimagine, and shape a more resilient, inclusive future.

A Decade of Geospatial Momentum

Over the past decade, the Geospatial World Forum (GWF) has emerged as a transformative platform—convening global leaders, policy makers, technology innovators, and sectoral champions to build a shared vision for a geospatially empowered world. From data sovereignty to digital infrastructure, and from climate action to AI-driven location intelligence, GWF has helped shape how societies perceive, value, and utilize spatial knowledge.

As the world faces shifting geopolitical alignments, digital disruption, and urgent sustainability challenges, GWF 2026 will address a defining trinity: **Sovereignty, Economy, and Society**—affirming geospatial's place as an anchor of resilience, equity, and innovation.



Theme: Sovereignty, Economy, and Society

In today's interconnected and interdependent world, **sovereignty is no longer limited to political boundaries—it extends to data, infrastructure, and digital autonomy.** At GWF 2026, we explore how nations and communities are asserting spatial sovereignty to secure their interests, enhance governance, and define the rules of the digital era.

At the same time, geospatial intelligence is reshaping economies—from Geospatial Knowledge Infrastructure to space and geospatial sovereignty, and from digital supply chains to utilities and networks, AEC, agriculture, defence, and intelligence. As the global economy becomes increasingly datadriven, geospatial knowledge is emerging as a cornerstone for inclusive, sustainable, and resilient growth.

And at the heart of it all lies society—informed citizens, empowered communities, and equitable access to public services. Whether it's climate resilience, disaster response, , land rights, health, or urban planning, geospatial infrastructure is enabling a more transparent, participatory, and resilient social contract.

The theme—Sovereignty, Economy, and Society—is not just a conversation; it's a call to action. GWF 2026 invites global stakeholders to co-create strategies that uphold rights, accelerate innovation, and prioritize people.

Facts

- 50+ Partners
- 75+ Exhibitors
- 100+ Countries
- 1000+ Organizations
- 2000+ Attendees
- 1 mn Professional Outreach
- 1 bn worth of market development

Your place to...

- Learn & Share
- Deliberate and Exchange
- Socialise and Ideate
- Network and Engage
- Brand and Position
- Promote and Showcase
- Collaborate and Partner
- Professional Outreach
- Geographic Expansion

A platform that brings together industry experts to discuss innovative ideas, share insights, and foster collaboration. It aims to inspire thought leadership, enhance knowledge exchange, and drive progress across various sectors.

Conference

Policy Advocacy & Thought Leadership

- Share expert insights through panels, Q&As, and workshops.
- Shape industry dialogue by networking with policymakers and influencers.
- Establish credibility via white papers, reports, and moderated sessions.
- Learn through diverse panels and deep discussions.

Networking & Socialization

- Engage in insightful, idea-driven roundtables and peer exchanges.
- Strengthen professional identity by engaging in candid, high-level conversations that explore real-world challenges.

Programs at a Glance

Two-day Symposiums



AEC (Architecture, Engineering, and Construction)



Geospatial Knowledge Infrastructure



Utilities & Network



Defence & Intelligence



Capacity Development Summit



Climate Resilience and Disaster Management



Hydrospatial Infrastructure and Blue Economy



One-Day Seminars

Agriculture

Partner Events



Land & Property



Space & Geospatial Sovereignty



Health Summit (In consultation with WHO GIS Centre for Health)



Resilient PNT (United Nations Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence)





HD Mapping & Autonomy



LiDAR & Scanning

Technical Sessions (In Expo)



Data Science



Spatial Computing & Digital Twin



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Expo

More Space, More Innovation: GWF Expo is Bigger Than Ever

Ready to put your brand on the global map? Exhibit at the Geospatial World Forum Expo and connect with industry leaders, decision-makers, and innovators from across the world. Over three dynamic days at RAI Amsterdam, showcase your latest technologies through interactive booths, lead expert sessions, and explore cutting-edge trends shaping the future. Gain valuable leads, forge strategic partnerships, and boost your brand visibility in a high-impact setting designed for growth, influence, and opportunity.

Country Pavilions

- Showcase national geospatial achievements, policies, and innovations
- Foster international collaboration and partnerships

Technical Sessions & Hands-on Training

- Practical workshops and demonstrations for professionals
- Skill-building opportunities with real-world applications

Showcase Innovation

- Discover cutting-edge geospatial technologies and solutions
- Opportunities for start-ups and enterprises to exhibit and collaborate

Cross-Sector Integration

- Explore how geospatial technologies are driving innovation in mainstream industries
- Promote geospatial thinking in economic and infrastructure planning

Knowledge Exchange & Networking

- Learn from global experts, thought leaders, and innovators
- Build valuable connections across academia, industry, and government

Business Meeting Lounge

- Dedicated space for one-on-one meetings and strategic discussions
- Connect with potential partners, investors, and clients in a focused setting
- Ideal environment for B2B networking and deal-making

Engagement with the Leaders in the industry

- Direct interaction with leaders from the global geospatial ecosystem
- Connect with executives from key economic sectors: energy, water, infrastructure, supply chain, smart cities, and transportation and so much more.



Visitors can immerse themselves in insightful technical sessions, gain exclusive industry trends, and connect with top experts—all happening live at the expo.

Join the Movement. Shape the Future

Be part of the global dialogue shaping how geospatial knowledge empowers nations, drives economies, and transforms societies. Whether you are a policymaker, innovator, researcher, investor, or changemaker—your voice matters.

Here's how you can get involved:

- Present your work, research, or case studies to a global audience.
- **Sponsor** and elevate your brand as a leader in geospatial innovation.
- Exhibit your solutions and connect with decision-makers and partners.
- Attend as a delegate and gain unmatched insights into the evolving geospatial ecosystem.
- **Network** with the world's most influential minds in tech, governance, and development.

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