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Activity Based Intelligence Working Group

PURPOSE:

Work Groups are for the purpose of furthering the USGIF Mission of promoting the geospatial intelligence tradecraft and developing a stronger community of interest between government, industry, academia, professional organizations and individuals who share a mission focused around the development and application of geospatial intelligence. Work Groups are established to address a specific issue, event or an area of geospatial intelligence of specific relevance to a portion of the USGIF Membership. Work Groups will have defined objectives or time periods of duration and shall be disbanded upon completion of the task or when the defined period of time has elapsed.

OBJECTIVES:

The Activity Based Intelligence (ABI) Working Group is established to inform and educate the community on a common understanding of Activity Based Intelligence and to enhance communications throughout the relevant government and contractor circles of the ABI value proposition. The ABI working group will look into development of common terminology, technological shortfalls that need to be addressed, and into identifying best practices. It will also provide a forum for the coordination of IR&D with existing ABI related technological gaps

The Activity Based Intelligence Working Group will engage with pertinent groups to ensure there is clear understanding of the demands that ABI will place on the services and applications layers of the IC information technology architectures. The ABI working group will also address standards related to ABI and will provide findings to appropriate government stakeholders such as the Geospatial-Intelligence Standards Working Group.

The Activity Based Working Group will accomplish these goals through education, information, workshops, fora and other activities. The members of the ABI WG will develop and deliver position papers, standards/specifications requirements, educational flyers, training programs, discussion sessions, and other efforts as necessary.

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The WG will be disbanded upon completion of its Objectives.

PRINCIPLES:

WG Members in good standing shall be entitled to participate in WG Meetings and other activities and to exercise voting rights on any matters as appropriate, which are before the WG.

The WG may conduct both WG Meetings and open meetings to carry out the Purpose and Objectives of the WG. Open Meetings shall be announced through the USGIF and may be for general public attendance or may be limited to USGIF Members for purposes of security access.

PRACTICES:

- A person designated by the USGIF will serve as chair of WG
- Meetings will be held on an as needed basis to carry out the objectives and activities of the WG at a mutually agreed to time and location.
- All decisions of the working group shall be on a consensus basis

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership in the WG shall generally be open to any entity who is a member of the USGIF in good standing and who has an interest in the issue or event being addressed. USGIF may limit membership in Working Groups to those entities who have a mission or business function, which directly supports the Purpose and Objectives of the WG. In such cases an Associate membership category may be established to provide the opportunity for participation of and interaction with other USGIF Members, which have a related interest in the WG.

Requirements of Participation and How to Join:

Entities who wish to become WG Members shall submit a request to join to the WG Chair. The WG Chair will confirm USGIF Membership standing with the USGIF and either confirm or disallow membership. Members are expected to actively participate in WG activities.

Funding of Work Group Activities:

The USGIF will provide staff support and other logistical assistance to the Working Group. Costs for the operation of Working Groups established to address industry

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specific topics will be borne by the WG Members either by payment to USGIF or by direct payment by Member Organizations. Costs for WG Seminars, luncheons and other similar events shall be covered either by the WG Members or Sponsorship by USGIF Members.

Oversight:

Work Groups are subject to oversight by USGIF President and Designated Staff and exist through the authority of the USGIF to initiate and promote programs, which serve and advance the purposes and objectives of the Foundation. The WG may disband by giving notice through the WG Chair to the USGIF President. The USGIF President retains the right to disband and terminate a Working Group at any time it is determined that it is no longer fulfilling its stated Purpose or Objectives.