



# Towards a sustainability process for GEOSS Essential Variables

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The European H2020 **ConnectinGEO** (H2020-SC5-2014 641538) and the **Group on Earth Observations (GEO)** are organizing a workshop on Essential Variables

## Objectives:

- *Review the status of existing Essential Variables (EVs) in different communities/domains and the processes used to identify them.*
- *Clarify to what extent these EVs are validated and used.*
- *Develop consensus on a common process for the identification of EVs in support of the communities that are currently defining them.*
- *Attempt an integration of the different sets of EVs developed so far.*

**A peer reviewed document on the EV status and definition process, and requirements will be produced.**

In consideration of your expertise and involvement in the process for the definition of EVs, **ConnectinGEO** and **GEO** invite you to participate in the workshop.

Yours sincerely,

### Local organizers

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For logistics, contact (e-mail)\*. A registration form will be soon available on <http://www.connectingeo.net/>

The workshop is a follow-up of the work started within the 3rd and 4th GEOSS Science and Technology Stakeholder Workshops that discussed on metrics that can measure progress towards the "Sustainable Development Goals" (SDGs) that are currently being proposed in the United Nations.

