Youth for Global Navigation Satellite Systems (YGNSS) and the ICG Working Group C

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Basic Facts

- Conceived at UNISPACE III, Vienna 19 to 30 July 1999
- Permanent observer status in the United Nations since 2001
- SGAC headquarters based in Vienna, Austria
- Hosted by the European Space Policy Institute
- Over 90 countries are represented by 65 National Points of Contact as of 2009
- SGAC has a volunteer network of ~4,000 members
SGAC Purpose

- A global volunteer base of advanced students and young professionals
- Connects them to each other and to top space professionals and organizations
- Gives the youth a voice in global space policy
YGNSS Project Team

Initiated in April 2008
- Project accepted for the Space Generation Congress 2008
- 17 Delegates from different countries

Why be involved?
- We are the future “users” of GNSS and the “beneficiaries” of GNSS cooperation
- Responsibility to secure the benefits to the future society
Aims and Objectives

Aim

- Bring the maximum benefits of GNSS to the future society
- A role in the international development in GNSS

Objective

- Promote cooperation on GNSS and GNSS application
- Promote GNSS education & outreach
- Support ICG, in particular Working Group C
- Reflect the perspectives of youth on GNSS policies
Past Activities

- December 2008 ICG-3, Pasadena, California
- International Opinion Poll
- February 2009 UNCOPUOS S&T Subcommittee
- May 2009 PNT Advisory Board
Current and Ongoing Activities

- GNSS Education Portal Wiki (ongoing)
- YGNSS Brochure (ongoing)
- GNSS Model (under discussion)
- Space Generation Congress
  - October 2009, Daejeon, Korea
- International Astronautical Congress
  - October 2009, Daejeon, Korea
- 2nd International Opinion Poll
We Are Here to Do Outreach and Education!

- Strong support of space agencies (i.e. NASA) and GNSS industries (i.e. Trimble)
  - Wish to further cooperate with other space agencies
- Seeking ICG observer status membership to gain further formal collaborations with the committee
- Necessary to Educate the Future Users on GNSS

International Committee on GNSS, St. Petersburg, Russia
Thank You For Your Time!

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