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Mapping the Way Forward

Aligning NatiaonI Geospatial Sector and Urban Development through Technology

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FGIC establishment and Objectives

Being convinced with the importance of the geospatial sector for the country, the legislator issued the law no 5 in 2019 for the establishment of the FGIC.

FGIC conducted a study of the current situation of the sector covering around 100 entities in the country and drew a strategic plan for 2023-2026 to organize, develop, and sustain the geospatial sector.



Create and issue policies, legislations, and laws necessary to govern the geospatial sector in United Arab Emirates.



Design and create a national geospatial shared data platform to ease access to geospatial data and information in accordance with international standards. Achieve official national reference of geographical names, official maps, and unified national addressing system



Increase spatial awareness and knowledge in United Arab Emirates through building national technical capabilities and raise spatial awareness in government and private entities and society.

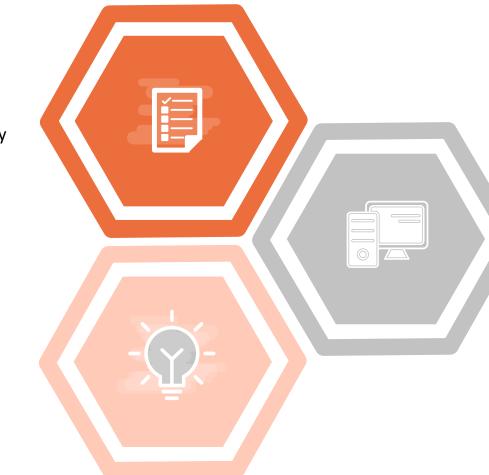
FGIC Strategic Goals

Geospatial Regulatory Environment

Develop the Geospatial Regulatory Environment in the U.A.E.

Geospatial Awareness

Raise Geospatial awareness and knowledge



Geospatial Infrastructure System

Establish and develop the geospatial infrastructure system

The Importance of Digital Twin in Geospatial Sector



The Benefits of Digital Twin



City Planning & Digital Twin

1. Data-Driven Decision Making

- integrate real-time data from various sources
- Enables informed decisionmaking
- > Resource allocation

2. Visualization & Simulation

- Visualize and simulate different planning scenarios
- > Provide a virtual environment to test design and evaluate impact.
- Understand the implications of urban development

3. Urban Design & Land Use Planning

- Facilitate by creating 3D models of the city
- Asses the impact of proposed developments
- Efficient sustainable land use, improved infrastructure planning, and optimized use of resources.



4. Infrastructure Optimization

- Monitor and analyze the performance of infrastructure systems in real-time, identify bottlenecks, and optimize operations
- > Include all infrastructure components.

7. Long-Term Sustainability

- $\,\,$ $\,$ Analyse the environmental impact $^{\prime}$
- > Assess energy consumption
- > Evaluate emissions
- > Optimize resource management

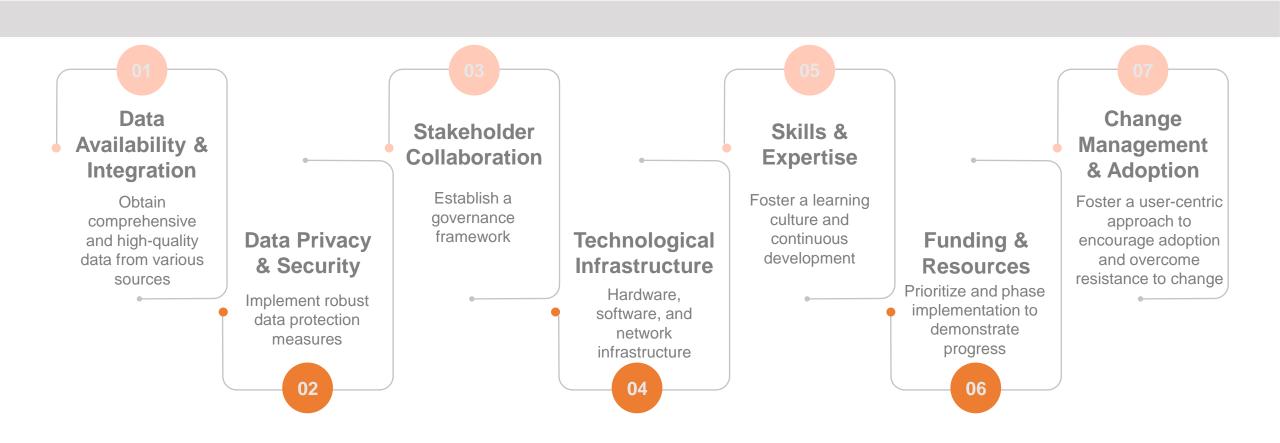
6. Citizen Engagement & Participation

Provide a platform for collaboration and participation Fosters transparency, inclusivity, and empowers citizens.

5. Resilience & Risk Management

- > Simulate and evaluate the city's response to risks and hazards.
- Identify vulnerabilities, developing contingency plans, and enhance the city's resilience.

Challenges on City-State Level



How to Overcome Digital Twin Challenges?

Clear Vision & Objectives

- Establish a clear vision and define specific objectives.
- A guiding framework for decision-making.
- Prioritize efforts and resources.

Stakeholder Engagement

- Foster a collaborative environment.
- o Identify stakeholders

Robust Data Management

- Address data challenges by implementing effective data management strategies
- Develop data governance policies.
- o Invest in data infrastructure.

Technology & Infrastructure

- Evaluate and select appropriate technologies.
- Collaborate with technology providers and leverage existing infrastructure.

Skilled Workforce

- Invest in building a skilled workforce.
- Provide training and capacity-building programs.
- Foster a culture of continuous learning and innovation.

Pilot Projects & Phased Approach

- Start with small-scale pilot projects.
- Adopt a phased approach to gradually expand the scope and scale
 - expand the scope and scale
- Adjust based on feedback and results

Funding & Sustainability

- Secure funding from various sources.
- Develop a sustainable business model.
- . Highlight the potential ROI.

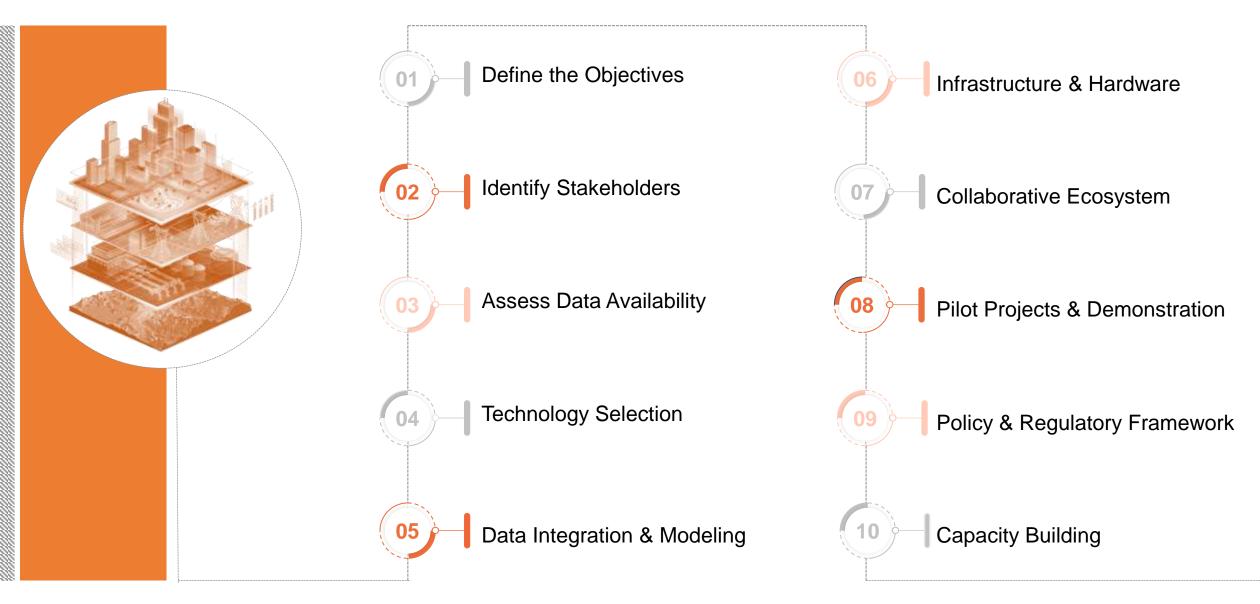
Change Management

- Implement effective change management strategies.
- Communicate the value proposition and benefits.

Knowledge Sharing

- Foster collaboration and knowledge sharing.
- o Establish partnerships
- Encourage cross-sector collaboration.

How to Start?





Thank you



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