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During the June 16-17, 2004, public meeting and workshop at the United States Geological Survey, the IWGEO provided a forum to gather information, ideas, and viewpoints on the technical and scientific capacity of current Earth observation systems. These systems were reviewed according to the social/economic benefits specified by the CENR Subcommittees and IWGEO. The workshop allowed representatives of the communities-of-practice to contribute information and facts to the IWGEO as it continues to prepare a U.S. 10-Year Plan for Developing an Integrated Earth Observing System.

The associated Technical Reports on the nine societal benefits areas are currently being updated to incorporate many of the scientific and technical comments generated at that meeting. These reports will be available as Appendix 3 to the Draft Strategic Plan for the U.S. Integrated Earth Observation System as the updates are completed.