



126th Member Meeting



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Huntsville | June 5th - 9th 2023

The **Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)** welcomes you to the **126th OGC Member Meeting, June 5-9, 2023**, in Huntsville, Alabama. To help you prepare, we've compiled this quick reference guide so you're ready for a successful in-person attendee experience.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Agenda

See the agenda, featured speakers, and more on the [Member Meeting Event Page](#).

Attendee List

[See who](#) will be attending the **126th OGC Member Meeting on OGC Portal**. (Note: Only available to OGC Members. If you are an OGC Member needing help with your portal access, please contact us at registration@ogc.org.)

Conference Registration and Badge Pick Up

The registration desk is outside [Grand Hall](#). Registration will open daily, one hour before the start of the first session, for badge pick-up and on-site registration. For those who have registered earlier, please collect your badges on-site. Please note wearing badges all the time is mandatory for access to the event. For those needing on-site registration, please check in at the registration desk for next steps.

Conference Venue

Location:

 [Huntsville Botanical Garden \(HSVBG\)](#)

4747 Bob Wallace Ave. SW

Huntsville, AL 35805

Phone: 256.830.4447

Email: info@hsvbg.org

 **Parking:** is complimentary at the HSVBG. Click [here](#) for directions to the HSVBG.

Directions: Use [Guest Center Entrance](#) (Look for OGC event signage upon entering.)

LOCAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

Accommodations

[Refer to the 'Recommended Hotels' section here](#) for a complete list of available hotels near the conference venue and in and around Downtown Huntsville. Please keep in mind that rates may vary depending on availability.

Banking

The official currency of the United States is the Dollar; there are an unlimited number of shops and merchants in the U.S. that are well-equipped to accept card payments — Visa and Mastercard are more common than American Express. Look for a card that doesn't charge for international ATM withdrawals or currency conversion.

Entry Requirements

Check for visa requirements based on your citizenship or the country you are traveling from; see more: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html>.



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Ground Transportation

The [Huntsville/Madison County Convention & Visitors Bureau](#) is here to help you find the perfect way to get around. Both Uber and Lyft currently offer pick-up service for [Huntsville International Airport](#).

Time and Date

Huntsville, Alabama's time zone is Central Daylight Time (CDT); please use timeanddate.com as a resource.

Weather

The average temperature in [Huntsville](#) in June for a typical day ranges from a high of 87°F (30°C) to a low of 67°F (20°C). Some would describe it as pleasantly warm and humid but cool.

What to Pack*

Attire is business casual for the conference during the day. We recommend you dress in layers as temperatures in meeting rooms can vary. Some events may take place outside in the evening when the weather cools down, so be sure to bring appropriate clothing options.

***Consider ordering a t-shirt in time for the upcoming OGC 126th Member Meeting in Huntsville, AL. Use this [link](#) to place your order before the Friday, May 12 deadline. Please note that t-shirts can be shipped directly to the meeting to avoid shipping costs; and will be distributed at the meeting. OGC will feature an OGC shirt day Monday, June 5, 2023.**

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

<p>~Sunday, June 4 5:00 - until <u>Informal Networking (Hosted by Ethar, Inc.)</u> Location: Signals Museum</p>	<p>~Monday, June 5 5:30 - 7:30 pm <u>Reception and Networking Session</u> Location: HSVBG</p>
<p>~Wednesday, Jun 7 6:30 - 9:00 pm <u>Offsite Networking Session***</u> Location: U.S. Space and Rocket Center (USSRC) - Davidson Center for Space Exploration</p>	<p>~Thursday, June 8 Time TBD <u>OGC Diversity Spotlight Lunch</u> Location: HSVBG</p>

****Not Sure Who's New** - If you see a first-timer (easily spot other first-time attendees by the "specially-marked" stickers on their badges), say hello; sit by them in the sessions, and introduce them to some of your contacts! Not only will you help the first-timers, but you'll grow your network and likely make a great new friend!

*****Separate Fee (\$99) Required (reception and buffet dinner included)**

STAY CONNECTED BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE MEETING

- Have questions about the **126th OGC Member Meeting**, please contact [OGC Registration](#).
- Engage in the **#OGCMemberMeeting** conversation! Follow us on [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), and [LinkedIn](#).
- Participate in an OGC Code Sprint - visit [here](#) for more information—virtual and in-person opportunities. Open to the public.
- Attend the September 25-29, 2023 - 127th OGC Member Meeting - Singapore.
- Visit ogc.org, where you'll find **everything** OGC, including Events, Education, and much more!



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VIRTUAL ACCESS

Virtual Platform is Available to All Who Register

Although the **126th OGC Member Meeting** is intended to be experienced in person, all registered attendees for the **126th OGC Member Meeting** will have access to the quarterly meeting virtual platform when it opens on Monday, June 5, at 8:00 AM CDT. Join via the Meeting Dashboard at <https://ogcmeet.org>. Bookmark it to ensure quick access.