GIO Operational Model (Release 2.0)

- 1. The GIO initiative was founded by Huawei in 2018 as the original GIO sponsor.
- 2. The GIO is also open to additional sponsors who wish to offer resources and/or funding to enable the GIO operational support.
- 3. The GIO governance is performed by a Table of Representatives that is composed of high-profile delegates nominated by each participant Industry organisation and from the sponsors. The Table of Representatives of GIO aims to meet on a bi-annual basis.
- 4. The GIO will always seek to move forward based on consensus between all participating industry organisations. Exceptionally, if any decision needs to be made by vote, this will be done on a majority basis with each member of the Table of Representatives having an equal vote.
- 5. The GIO is operated and administrated on a day-to-day basis by the GIO operations team, which consists of the experts provided by participating organizations and the GIO sponsors.
- 6. GIO recognizes the need to occasionally form <u>working groups</u> (teams that come together to address topics of common interest with a view to producing output that can be used by all GIO participants), and <u>communities of interest</u> (discussion groups on topics of shared interest).
- 7. Working groups may be formed as needed in order to address specific topics of interest to the GIO. These working groups will regularly report on work group focus, work group members, anticipated deliverables and expected timeframes against an agreed template. Participation in a working group is open to all participants in GIO. A proposal to form a working group can be made by any GIO member. The proposal is to be brought to the Operations team for discussion outlining the focus of the working group, anticipated deliverables, and initial members. New working groups are formally discussed and agreed at the next Table of Representatives meeting, but can proceed with initial work based on agreement at the operations team level.
- 8. GIO will also aim to facilitate discussions between <u>Communities of Interest</u> on an ad hoc basis to enable them to discuss topics of specific interest. Participation in a Community of Interest is open to all participants in GIO. A proposal to form a new Community of Interest is to be brought to the Operations team for discussion outlining the focus of the Community of Interest and any anticipated activities. If the

- proposed Community of Interest is viewed as being within the appropriate scope of GIO and not in conflict with any agreed Working Groups, then the Community of Interest can proceed. The Table of Representatives are to be informed of new Communities of Interest at the next Table of Representatives meeting.
- 9. Both <u>Working Groups</u> and <u>Communities of Interest</u> can be terminated at any time by the Table of Representatives.
- 10. The GIO sponsors may also fund specific research from industry organizations, commercial research organisations and academic institutions that are of general interest to the GIO.
- 11. Each participating industry organisation can volunteer to host and/or chair one or more of the bi-annual GIO meetings.
- 12. The host of each GIO meeting (who also can choose to be the chair of the GIO roundtable meeting) is selected at the previous GIO meeting.
- 13. The host, supported by the GIO operations team, has the responsibility of organising the GIO meeting agenda and may also invite guest organizations to attend and participate in GIO-related meetings and events. The format of the GIO meeting shall be determined by the host following consultation with the other participating organizations.
- 14. GIO will establish the appropriate mechanisms to dynamically release GIO news, publicized outputs, and cooperative project information.