UN EG-ISGI Consultation Meeting

Beijing, 25 October 2014

Agenda

Occurring between the following two UN events in Beijing:

- Third High Level Forum on UN Global Geospatial Information Management, 22-24 October
- International Conference on Big Data for Official Statistics, 28-31 October

Location:

(Venue to be announced by NASG)

Time: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Purpose:

To review the work program of the UN EG-ISGI and establish plans for further progress

Work Programme:

1. Key outcomes of the Global Forum

- a) Review the summary-report of the Global Forum on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information
- b) Discuss implications for UN EG-ISGI work program

2. Review and update existing UN EG-ISGI work program

- a) Review progress on existing UN EG-ISGI work program items
- b) Consider further items and priorities for the work program
- c) Identify candidate UN EG-ISGI members to lead work program items

3. Next expert group meeting

- a) Suggested timing: May 2015
- b) Determine location and host

Supporting Documents:

- 1. Summary Global Forum (see attached document)
- 2. Work Programme (see text below)

| UN EG-ISGI work program items | Sub-group nominees | ❖ Progress to date□ Next Steps |
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| Developing and adopting a statistical-geospatial framework as a global standard for the integration of statistical and geospatial information | Australia | Identified by UNSC and UN-GGIM as the primary purpose of the Expert Group. Determine a process for progressing adoption of the framework |
| Form a subgroup to develop the International Conference proposal further. | Australia Belize Mexico UN Statistics Division | ❖ Global Forum on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information held in New York, 4 – 5 August 2014 ☐ Integrate outcomes into UN EG-ISGI work program |
| Develop a global consultation questionnaire on (a) geographical classifications and practices and (b) geocoding practices. • Build on the existing questionnaires from the global geospatial information management process to ensure coordination rather than duplication. • In time to present findings to the fourth session of the Committee of Experts (UN-GGIM) and the international conference. | Australia Brazil Mexico Poland UN Statistics Division | Preliminary report on global geographic classification and geocoding practices circulated at the Global Forum. Discuss preliminary report at the UN EGISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting, Beijing Prepare final paper, incorporating comments and additional input from preliminary report, and table at next UN EGISGI |
| Research the genesis, the advantages and disadvantages etc. of the grid-based and population/administrative [geography] approaches to the collection, compilation, analysis and dissemination of statistics. In parallel with the work on the questionnaire (above). In time to present findings at the international conference. | Brazil Finland France Saint Lucia United States European Commission | Presentation on this topic by the USA at the Beijing Workshop on the Integration of Geospatial and Statistical Information and at the Global Forum. Discuss current findings at the UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting. Prepare final paper/report and table at next UN EG-ISGI |

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| Reach out to the metadata standards groups in both the statistical and geospatial communities. Timing to be determined by the Statistics Division. | Poland UN Statistics Division | | Outreach has occurred to Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), with representatives attending the Global Forum. Topic discussed at the Global Forum. |
| | European Commission | | UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting to consider Australian paper containing preliminary analysis of the topic and proposing a Small Expert Working Group incorporating statistical and geospatial metadata experts. Consider inviting OGC to contribute to UN EG-ISGI work program activities on this topic |
| Reach out to the Statistics Division Demographic and Social Statistics Branch to discuss how the Expert Group can best engage with the 2020 round of population censuses, with the focus on contributing, not doing. Timing: as soon as possible by the Statistics Division. | UN Statistics Division | | Outreach has occurred within UN. Topic discussed at the Global Forum. |
| | | | UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting to review chapter on geospatial from the Principles and recommendations for the 2020 Census Round |
| Start process of arriving at common terminology: collect existing information on terms, meanings, identify gaps, etc. | Finland | * | No progress yet advised on this item. |
| | UN Statistics Division European Comm. | | UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting to receive an update on progress and discuss future plans |
| Develop a [work program] schedule with activities, their dates and those responsible for them. | UN Statistics Division | * | This item to date has been informally managed by the UN EG-ISGI co-chairs and UNSD. |
| | | | UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting review activities, dates and responsibility for work program items |
| Finalize and seek | UN Statistics Division | * | These items completed by the UNSD. |
| endorsement by both the Statistical Commission and the GGIM-Committee of Experts to: | | | UNSD will maintain reporting program in consultation with UN EG-ISGI co-chairs |
| terms of referencework programmeinternational conference proposal | | | |