

## UN Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information (UN EG-ISGI) – Work Program Status

| <i>Copy of work program review used at consultation meeting in Beijing, October 2014</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <b>UN EG-ISGI work program items</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Sub-group nominees</b>                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Progress to date</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Next Steps</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <p><b>Developing and adopting a statistical-geospatial framework</b> as a global standard for the integration of statistical and geospatial information</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Australia</b>                                                                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Identified by UNSC and UN-GGIM as the primary purpose of the Expert Group.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Determine a process for progressing adoption of the framework</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Form a subgroup to develop the <b>International Conference</b> proposal further.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Australia</b><br>Belize<br>Mexico<br>UN Statistics Division                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Global Forum on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information held in New York, 4 – 5 August 2014</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Integrate outcomes into UN EG-ISGI work program</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <p>Develop a global <b>consultation questionnaire</b> on (a) geographical classifications and practices and (b) geocoding practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build on the existing questionnaires from the global geospatial information management process to ensure coordination rather than duplication.</li> <li>• In time to present findings to the fourth session of the Committee of Experts (UN-GGIM) and the international conference.</li> </ul> | <b>Australia</b><br>Brazil<br>Mexico<br>Poland<br>UN Statistics Division                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Preliminary report on global geographic classification and geocoding practices circulated at the Global Forum.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Discuss preliminary report at the UN EG–ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting, Beijing</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prepare final paper, incorporating comments and additional input from preliminary report, and table at next UN EG-ISGI</b></li> </ul> |
| <p>Research the genesis, the advantages and disadvantages etc. of the <b>grid-based and population/administrative [geography]</b> approaches to the collection, compilation, analysis and dissemination of statistics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In parallel with the work on the questionnaire (above).</li> <li>• In time to present findings at the international conference.</li> </ul>                                                                   | Brazil<br>Finland<br>France<br>Saint Lucia<br><b>United States</b><br>European Commission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Presentation on this topic by the USA at the Beijing Workshop on the Integration of Geospatial and Statistical Information and at the Global Forum.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Discuss current findings at the UN EG–ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting.</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prepare final paper/report and table at next UN EG-ISGI</b></li> </ul>                                     |

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| <b>UN EG-ISGI work program items</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Sub-group nominees</b>                                                    | ❖ Progress to date<br>❑ <b>Next Steps</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <p>Reach out to the <b>metadata standards groups</b> in both the statistical and geospatial communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timing to be determined by the Statistics Division.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                           | <p>Poland<br/><b>UN Statistics Division</b><br/><br/>European Commission</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Outreach has occurred to Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), with representatives attending the Global Forum.</li> <li>❖ Topic discussed at the Global Forum.</li> </ul> <p>❑ <b>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.</b></p> <p>❑ <b>Consider inviting OGC to contribute to UN EG-ISGI work program activities on this topic</b></p> |
| <p>Reach out to the Statistics Division Demographic and Social Statistics Branch to discuss how the Expert Group can best engage with the <b>2020 round of population censuses</b>, with the focus on contributing, not doing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timing: as soon as possible by the Statistics Division.</li> </ul> | <p><b>UN Statistics Division</b></p>                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Outreach has occurred within UN.</li> <li>❖ Topic discussed at the Global Forum.</li> </ul> <p>❑ <b>UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting to review chapter on geospatial from the Principles and recommendations for the 2020 Census Round</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>Start process of arriving at <b>common terminology</b>: collect existing information on terms, meanings, identify gaps, etc.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <p>Finland<br/>UN Statistics Division<br/><b>European Comm.</b></p>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ No progress yet advised on this item.</li> </ul> <p>❑ <b>UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting to receive an update on progress and discuss future plans</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p>Develop a <b>[work program] schedule</b> with activities, their dates and those responsible for them.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p><b>UN Statistics Division</b></p>                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ This item to date has been informally managed by the UN EG-ISGI co-chairs and UNSD.</li> </ul> <p>❑ <b>UN EG-ISGI Work Program Consultation Meeting review activities, dates and responsibility for work program items</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>Finalize and seek endorsement</b> by both the Statistical Commission and the GGIM-Committee of Experts to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• terms of reference</li> <li>• work programme</li> <li>• international conference proposal</li> </ul>                                                                             | <p><b>UN Statistics Division</b></p>                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ These items completed by the UNSD.</li> </ul> <p>❑ <b>UNSD will maintain reporting program in consultation with UN EG-ISGI co-chairs</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |