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Inter-agency Expert Group on SDG Indicators

Working Group on Geospatial Information

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Breakout Group 2

Summary Report



Breakout Group 2 composition

- **Olav (moderator)**
- **Rolando (WGGI co-chair)**
- **Sandra (Colombia)**
- **Lawrence (South Africa)**
- **Clodomir (Cape Verde)**
- **Chen (China)**
- **Bill (US-EPA/GEO)**
- **Greg (UNGGIM)**
- **Jesarela (INEGI-Mexico)**
- **Eduardo (rapporteur)**

General Approach

- Examine Tier III indicators from SDGs common to all proposed Tiers (6, 9, 14, 15)
- Focus on highest value proposition of GI/EO contributions
- Combination of “low-hanging fruit” (not lowEST) and indicators with empty or scant metadata descriptors
- Fill out *immediate* questions (data types, sources & availability; methodologies, potential partners)
- Propose tasks:
 - specific (members) and overarching (WGGI)
- Description requests, ranging from improvement of existing metadata, data sources to completely novel methodologies

Proposed Recommendations

- Pick a subset of indicators for work to provide comprehensive guidance on GIS Earth Observations application (triage) - including case studies working with UN custodian agencies or multilateral conventions, consider use FDES and SEEA reference or applicability for the indicator subset
- Decide on a subset of important issues for request/coordination for terminology and methods i.e. land cover, rural, forest, “sustainable management”
- Work to improve data access for GIS and Earth Observations (thematic, involves coordination between UNGGIM, GEO, members & partners)
- Capacity building & good practice exchange; identify partnerships, resources and contribute including case studies that look at improving institutional relationships in countries;

Proposed Recommendations (cont'd)

- To continue inspecting and analysing the indicator framework using this approach and filling in as a dynamic process
- To pre-emptively analyse the additional proposed indicators with a GI/EO lens
- Dynamic process: google doc or other common editing resource to keep building on the framework (Secretariat?)