

## Fourth Expert Meeting

6 – 8 December 2017

### Location:

Conference Room 12  
General Assembly Building, United Nations Headquarters,  
New York, United States

### Provisional Annotated Agenda

*(as at 5 December 2017)*

#### Wednesday 6 December

09:30am – 09:45am

#### Collection of Grounds Pass

*Location: Outside the UN Visitor's Entrance,  
(on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue between East 45<sup>th</sup> Street and East 46<sup>th</sup> Street)*

09:45am – 10:00am

#### Registration of Participants

*Location: CR-12, GA Building*

10:00am – 11:30am

#### Session 1

##### Welcome Messages and Overview

*This segment of the Fourth Expert Meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals Indicators Working Group on Geospatial Information (IAEG-SDGs: WGGI) will include greetings and welcome messages, announcement, general introduction and a substantive presentation to provide the overview and context for this fourth expert meeting of the Working Group.*

##### Welcome messages

- Ms. Marie Haldorson,  
co-Chair (Sweden)
- Mr. Rolando Ocampo,  
co-Chair (Mexico)

##### Opening Statement

- Mr. Stefan Schweinfest  
Director, United Nations Statistics Division

##### Presentation:

- *Addressing the data demands of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*  
Mr. Greg Scott, UN Statistics Division

##### Announcement and Introductions:

- co-Chairs (reflections since last meeting, major outcomes)
- New to the Working Group
- UNSD/Secretariat for UN-GGIM



Group Photography

11:30am – 13:30pm

## Session 2

### Updates from recent events

*This session comprises updates and open discussion on recent events and notable developments since the last meeting of the Working Group from 6 – 8 May 2017 that may have an impact on the context of the fourth expert meeting and the tasks before the Working Group. The primary focus of this segment is for the Working Group to be informed of developments in these recent activities that may have a bearing on the deliberations of this fourth expert meeting, to assist the Working Group in its deliberations, and decisions on next steps if any.*

Presentations:

- Sixth Meeting of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals Indicators (IAEG-SDGs), Manama, Bahrain  
Ms. Yongyi Min, UN Statistics Division
- Fourth Meeting of the UN Expert Group on Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information  
Mr. Jose Eduardo de la Torre Barcena, INEGI Mexico
- UNECE/UN-GGIM: Europe Workshop on Integration of Geospatial and Statistical Standards  
Ms. Marie Haldorson, Statistics Sweden
- GEO/EO4SDG Meeting, Group on Earth Observations (GEO) 14<sup>th</sup> Plenary  
Mr. Lawrence Friedl, EO4SDG - GEO
- Geospatial Information Activities under the UN Development Account 10<sup>th</sup> tranche  
Ms. Linda Hooper, UN Statistics Division
- Seventh Session of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)  
Mr. Greg Scott, UN Statistics Division

Open Discussion

Presentation:

- *Leveraging a federated information system to address the data demands of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*  
Ms. Francesca Perucci & Luis Gonzalez Morales, UN Statistics Division

Open Discussion

13:30pm – 14:30pm

**Lunch Break**

14:30pm – 17:30pm

### Session 3

#### Disaggregation according to geographic location

*The Working Group has concluded that disaggregation of national statistical data is considerably strengthened through the lens of geospatial information. Geospatial information can provide enabling methodologies and processes for disaggregation. For example, disaggregation of national statistical data is possible by applying geospatial information. This is acknowledged within the agreed principles of the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework. This working segment comprises expert presentations and open discussion to address disaggregation according to geographic location through the application and integration of geospatial information and processes in statistical processes and data. The deliberations will need to focus on the “how” and the kind of guidance and advice to be provided to IAEG-SDGs and the national statistical system.*

- ✎ Contributions to the agenda
  - 📄 IAEG-SDGs activities on data disaggregation  
Ms. Yongyi Min & Mr. Benjamin Rae, UN Statistics Division
  - 📄 WG’s activities on disaggregation  
Mr. Tim Trainor, Census Bureau, United States of America & UN-GGIM: Americas
  - 📄 National activities and perspectives on data disaggregation according to geographic location  
Mr. Jose Eduardo de la Torre Barcena, INEGI Mexico
  - 📄 National activities and perspectives on data disaggregation according to geographic location  
Mr. Thapelo Maruatona, Statistics Botswana
  - 📄 Implementing Global Statistical Geospatial Framework and its five adopted principles  
Ms. Marie Haldorson, Statistics Sweden
- ✎ Discussions and deliberations

*(The meeting may choose to break out into small groups to discuss, deliberate and report back)*

17:30pm – 18:00pm

#### Summarizing Day #1

*This segment seeks to recap salient discussions and outcomes from Day #1 and prepare for Day #2*



**Thursday  
7 December**

09:30am – 09:45am

**Regrouping**

Location: CR-12, GA Building

09:45am – 10:00am

**Preparation of Day #2**


This segment seeks to recap and review outcomes from Day #1 to set the scene for Day #2






10:00am – 13:30pm


**Session 4**

**Data availability**

The Working Group has identified that data availability remains one of the primary challenge in the production of indicators. The key issue is the availability of “production ready or analysis ready”, timely, reliable and quality data that can be made available to Member States to produce indicators and inform of targets and Goals that are country owned and country-led, in accordance with national priorities and needs. This working segment comprises expert presentations and open discussion to address many inter-related issues: (a) availability of data from international agencies which may differ from national data; (b) data interoperability and comparability between such international and national data is thus crucial; and (c) international data could be applied to augment and/or validate national data, used in models, and provide estimates. The deliberations will need to focus on the practical modalities to deliver appropriate and applicable data needed to produce indicators recognizing that this would need to be country-led and country owned and the guidance to be provided to IAEG-SDGs and the national statistical system.

 Contributions to the agenda

-  WG’s activities on international (global) datasets and other data and sources  
Mr. Chen Jun, NASG China & UN-GGIM: Asia Pacific  
Mr. Stephan Arnold, DESTATIS Germany
-  Space agency’s perspective and program to avail production ready (or analysis ready) datasets  
Mr. Chu Ishida, JAXA Japan
-  National activities and perspectives using global and new, complementary data to produce indicators  
Mr. Carlos Alberto Duran Gil, DANE Colombia (*tb*)
-  National activities and perspectives on finding relevant data to produce indicators  
Mr. Frederic Vey, Ministry of Ecological and Solidarity Transition, France
-  Providing production ready dataset that can be country owned  
Mr. Martin Herold, GOFC-GOLD, Netherlands

 Discussions and deliberations

*(The meeting may choose to break out into small groups to discuss, deliberate and report back)*

13:30pm – 14:30pm

## Lunch Break

14:30pm – 17:30pm

### Session 5

#### Contributing to the work of the Custodian agencies

*This working segment comprises presentations from custodian agencies, national space agencies and national geospatial/statistical agencies, and open discussion to deliberate and determine how to proactively engage the custodian agencies to support and contribute to the development of definitions, methodology and metadata of indicators, as well as to address data sources and data availability. Custodian agencies are also engaged in piloting methodologies and validating data sources to produce indicators the agencies are responsible for. The deliberations will need to focus on the practical modalities to engage, contribute and support the work of the Custodian agencies with Tier III indicators particularly in defining and developing methodological approaches and identifying data sources of the “geospatial” elements in the indicators and how these “geospatial” elements can be integrated with statistical and other data to produce the indicator.*

#### ✎ Contributions to the agenda

- ☐ Engaging custodian agencies - EO4SDGs’ program and experience  
Mr. Lawrence Friedl, NASA, United States
  
- ☐ Engaging World Bank and UN-Habitat on Indicator 1.4.2  
Mr. Tim Trainor, Census Bureau, United States of America & UN-GGIM: Americas
  
- ☐ Engaging custodian agencies (*recorded, tbc*)  
Mr. Rifat Hossain, WHO
  
- ☐ Engaging custodian agencies  
Mr. Alfredo Fort, UNFPA
  
- ☐ Engaging custodian agencies  
Mr. Robert Ndugwa, UN-Habitat (*represented*)
  
- ☐ Engaging custodian agencies – A national perspective  
Ms. Marie Haldorson, Statistics Sweden

#### ✎ Discussions and deliberations

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17:30pm – 18:00pm

### Summarizing Day #2

*This segment seeks to recap salient discussions and outcomes from Day #2 and prepare for Day #3*

**Friday  
8 December**

09:30am – 09:45am

**Regrouping**

Location: CR-12, GA Building

09:45am – 10:00am

**Preparation of Day #3**

This segment seeks to recap and review outcomes from Day #2 to set the scene for Day #3

10:00am – 13:30pm

**Session 6**

**Capacity Development**

The Working Group is realizing the need to begin some consideration on capacity development for national statistical systems to ensure: (a) the wider utilization of geospatial information management; (b) the application of geospatial information; and (c) the integration of geospatial information processes with statistical processes. This working segment comprises national presentations and open discussion to address how to work with the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information to implement the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework and develop guidance to IAEG-SDGs on appropriate capacity development mechanism. The deliberations will need to focus on the tangible recommendations including the “what” when considering appropriate capacity development mechanism to support national statistical system, particularly those from least developed countries, land locked developing countries and small islands developing states.



Contributions to the agenda

- UN-GGIM: Europe Work Group on Data Integration – facilitating the wider utilization of geospatial information to produce indicators  
Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu, BKG, Germany
- GEO’s SDGs capacity development initiative  
Mr. William Sonntag, GEO Secretariat
- National perspectives on capacity development needs  
Mr. Bernard Justus Muhwezi, Ugandan Bureau of Statistics
- National perspectives on capacity development needs  
Mr. Claudio Stenner, IBGE, Brazil
- 2020 Round of Census  
Mr. Tapiwa Jhamba, UNFPA



Discussions and deliberations

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13:30pm – 14:30pm

**Lunch Break**



14:30pm – 17:00pm

### Session 7

#### Wrap up and Next Steps

*This segment seeks to review the outcomes, conclusions and agreements achieved at the Fourth Expert Meeting determine the way forward for the Working Group including –*

- Determine priorities, review and finalize the 2017/2018 Work Plan
- Fourth Expert Meeting's Plan of Action including deliverables and milestones
  - Leveraging e-meetings to progress tasks before the Working Group
  - Leveraging e-workshops to deliberate on methodological and technical activities of the Working Group including any activities with Custodian agencies
  - Preparation and issuance of WG discussion or issue paper - modality for peer-review and finalization

 Open Discussion

17:00pm – 18:00pm

### Session 8

#### Closing

*This final segment includes concluding and closing remarks by –*

- Summary statement of the Fourth Expert Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs: WG on Geospatial Information (if any)
- UNSD/Secretariat for UN-GGIM
- co-Chairs, IAEG-SDGs: WG on Geospatial Information