Objective

The primary objective of the Working Group is to ensure from a statistical and geographic location perspective that the key principle of the 2030 Agenda, to leave no one behind, is reflected in the Global Indicator Framework.

Terms of Reference

1. Provide expertise and advice to the IAEG-SDGs and the larger statistical community as to how geospatial information, Earth observations and other new data sources can reliably and consistently contribute to the indicators. (WP 2018-2019)
2. Review options and provide guidance to IAEG-SDGs, as to the role of NSOs in considering geospatial information and earth observations, as well as other Big Data, as a means to contribute to and validate datasets as part of official statistics for SDG indicators. (WP 2018-2019)
3. Review the agreed indicators and metadata through a 'geographic location' lens and identify existing geospatial data gaps, methodological and measurements issues.

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4. Consider how geospatial information can contribute to the indicators and metadata: 1) as a direct indicator in itself; 2) to support and augment statistical data; 3) to improve the production process of statistical data; 4) to validate national statistical data inputs; 5) to communicate and visualize the geographic dimensions and context of the indicators where appropriate; and 6) to provide granularity and disaggregation of the indicators where appropriate.

5. Provide national and regional level experiences and best practices in geospatial data production to measure leaving no one behind. (WP 2018-2019)

6. Propose strategies for undertaking methodological work on specific areas for improving disaggregation by geographic location concepts for national and sub-national reporting, including to the HLG and to the Statistical Commission. (WP 2018-2019)

Task Stream #1

addresses disaggregation by geographic location and aggregation of geocoded unit level data
(co-led by Chile and China)

Execution plan seeks to -
- Identify existing exemplars
- Compile good practices
- Document methodologies

Proposed deliverables -
- A compilation of exemplars and good practices on disaggregation by geographic location and aggregation of geocoded unit level data
- Technical guidance on concepts and methodologies for data disaggregation by geographic location

Duration –
- 2018/2019

Task Stream #2

addresses the availability and application of 'production ready' satellite earth observation data for the production of indicators *(co-led by Colombia and Sweden)*

Execution plan seeks to -

- Document national experiences and good practices including case studies
- Develop expert guidance on the application of 'production ready' satellite earth observation data for production of indicators
- Make recommendations on the uptake of satellite earth observation data in statistical processes

Proposed deliverables -

- A compilation of national experiences, good practices and case studies
- Technical guidance on concepts and methodologies the integration of satellite earth observation data streams into the production of indicators

Duration –

- 2018/2019

Desired Outcomes

- Incorporating outcomes from workshop in the Execution Plans for TS #1 and #2
- Agreed Executions Plans for Task Streams 1 and 2, finalized by ?? Dec
- (Report back to co-leads for TS #1)
- More countries willing to do assessments of the short list

Follow-up with the co-chairs of the IAEG-SDG on the outcomes (co-chairs of WGGI)

Membership

Rotation of countries in the IAEG-SDG
New members in the group 2019