

IAEG-SDGs: WGGI – Work Plan 2026

Introduction

This document contains the Work Plan for the Working Group on Geospatial Information (WGGI) of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) for 2025, presented for the review of the IAEG-SDGs' at its [16th meeting in November 2025](#).

Following the adoption of the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap¹ in 2022, the opportunity for geospatial information to support the production, measurement, monitoring, and dissemination of geospatially integrated SDG indicators is stronger than ever. Accordingly, the focus of the WGGI in 2025 was the finalization of the discussion paper **“Rescuing the SDGs with Geospatial Information: How geospatial information can transform the production, measurement, monitoring and dissemination of SDG indicators”** and the collection of a Storymap of examples of good practice.

For 2026, the WGGI proposes to continue its work to promote the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap through convening events and seminars, redoubling its efforts to collate the many use cases of how geospatially integrated SDG indicators are, or can be produced, monitored, measured, and disseminated to highlight where geospatial information has a direct or significant contribution.

Work Plan

#	Item
1	<p>Promoting the work of the IAEG-SDGs WGGI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the IAEG-SDGs with side event(s) at the Statistical Commission that promote the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap, the ‘Rescuing’ paper, the revised Short-list of SDG Indicators and other areas/events where geospatial information has a direct contribution; Convene virtual seminars with members of SDG Custodian Agencies and Member States to promote case studies and examples of geospatially produced SDG indicators; Convene meetings with countries implementing the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap to check in on progress, identify areas of improvement, and foster the sharing of experiences and cases; and, Participate and promote the WGGI’s work at regional and international forums.
2	<p>Strengthening coordination and coherence of geospatially enabled SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote coordination and coherence of geospatial information with other subsidiary bodies through bilateral meetings. Support custodian agencies with methodological assistance to bring geography to the global indicator framework. Continue cooperation with the UN Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information generally, in specific work pertaining to their Task Team on Disaggregation of Statistics by Geographic Location and ongoing work on Geospatial Reporting Indicators.
3	<p>Liaising with the IAEG-SDGs and responding to emergent requests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to the IAEG-SDGs Task Team on Lessons Learned Responding to emergent requests from the IAEG-SDGs.
4	<p>Collecting national experiences of how geospatial information is contributing to the SDG indicators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect examples of how the SDGs Geospatial Roadmap has been implemented Collect examples of good practice in geo-statistical integration for the SDG indicators Collect examples of methodological innovation in the SDGs

¹ The SDGs Geospatial Roadmap: [English](#) | [French](#) | [Spanish](#)