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Documents:

- E/C.20/2015/5/Add.1
- > E/C.20/2015/5*
- Background Document on Trends in National Institutional Arrangements in Geospatial Information Management



1. Background

- UN-GGIM mandate to create NIA Working Group to identify best practices in National Institutional Arrangements in their productive and operational, financial, legal and political aspects (2014)
- 3 Task Groups (TG) have been established:

		1. Geospatial Information (GI) business model analysis	
T	G1	1.1 GI production systems analysis	
	TG2	1.2 Funding structures in Geospatial Information	
To		1.3 Dissemination systems in Geospatial Information	
		1.4 Data policy models	
т,	TG3	2. Structure of Geospatial Information Management Organizations	
- ''		3. The role of people as users and producers of GI (Volunteered Geographic Information, VGI)	

2. Task Group members

Task Group 1	Task Group 2	Task Group 3
Spain	Mexico	Singapore
France	Austria	Austria
Italy	France	Bangladesh
South Korea	Italy	Belgium
Singapore	Jamaica	France
	Singapore	Guyana
	Spain ISPRS CSIRO	Japan South Korea Carlton University GSDI CSIRO

3. NIA Work Plan

Common Phases for all TG1 /TG2/TG3

Analysis activities of the state of the art in each area.	Done	
Diagnosis of the current situation.	In progress	
Identification of best practices.		
Consultation among groups and NIA WG	To be finished in	
Preparation of technical papers and reports	February 2016	

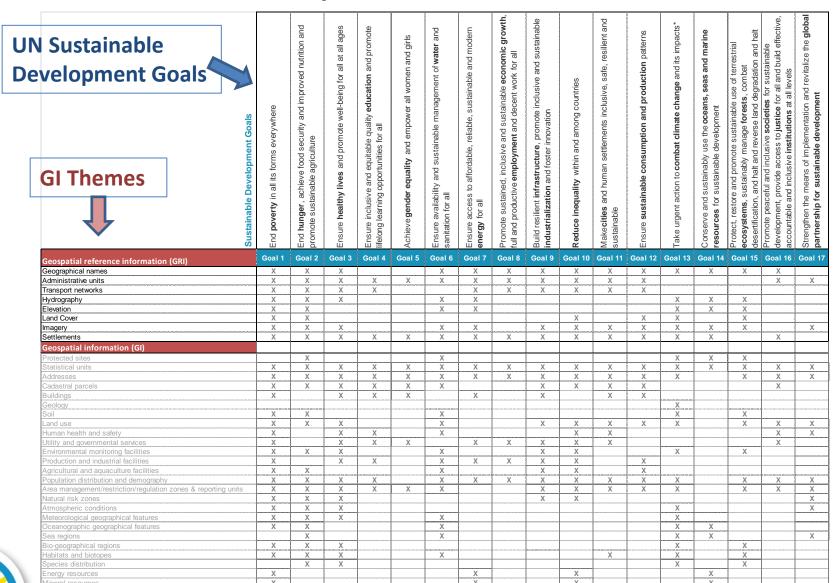
Questionnaires

Task group	Questionnaire	Circulated from
TG3	- Structure of Geospatial Management Organizations	20 Jan - 27 Feb 2015
	- Production systems of Geospatial Information (GI)	25 Feb - 27 Mar 2015
Combined questionnaire	 Funding systems, dissemination and data policy of Geospatial Information 	
TG1-TG2-TG3	- Role of citizens as users and producers of VGI and its impact on Geospatial Information	

4. Selection of GI themes for the questionnaire

- The idea was to select the LAND Themes more related to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of UN
- A survey was done for this task within the NIA TG members

Selection of Themes for the questionnaire

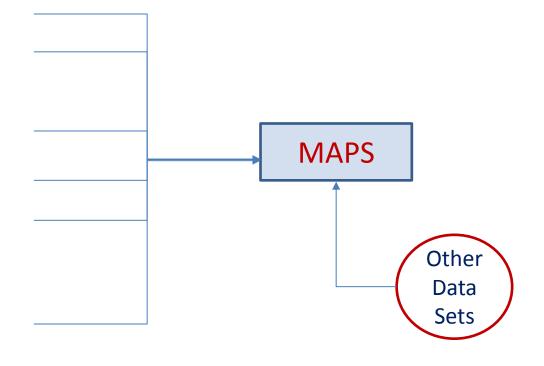




Selection of GI Themes for the Combined questionnaire

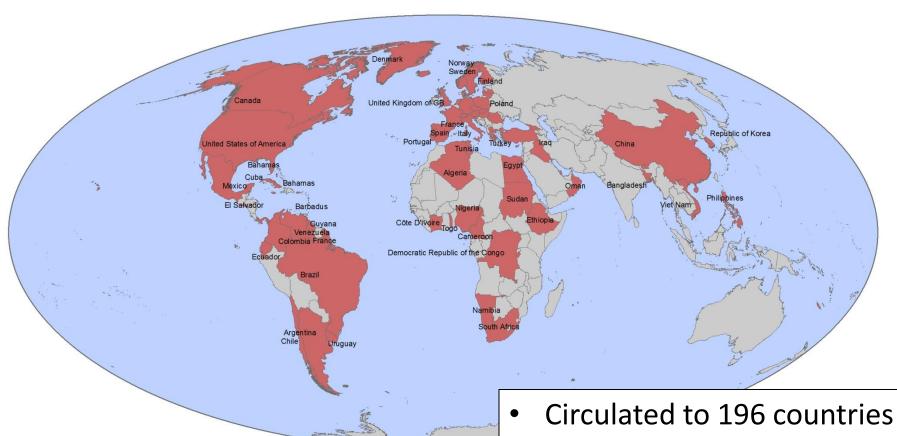
 The final GI selected themes in this first approach were (GI/Geospatial Reference Information-GRI):

- Geographical names
- Administrative units
- Cadastral parcels
- Transport networks
- Hydrography
- Elevation
- Land Cover
- Imagery
- Settlements



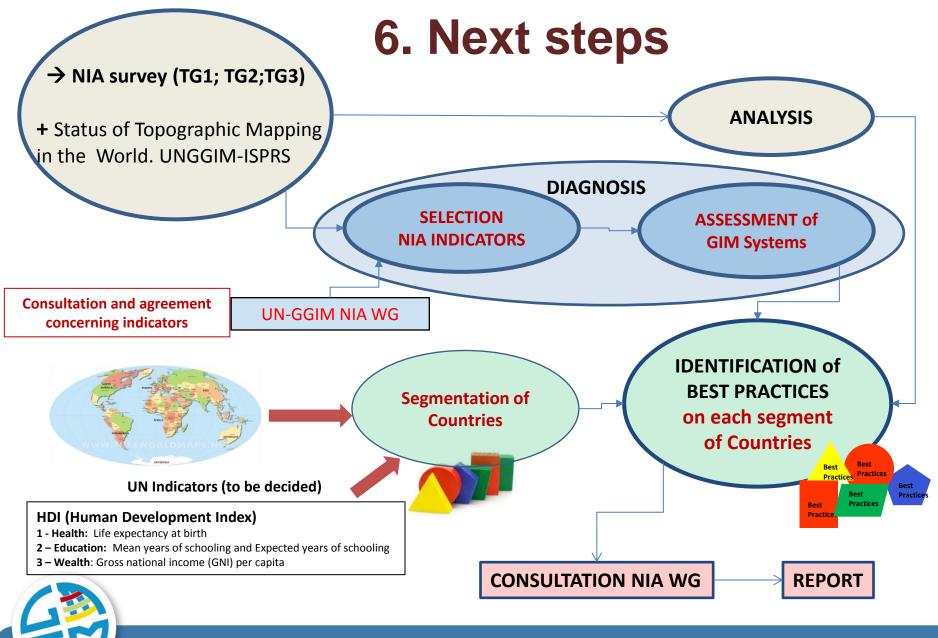


5. Answers to the Combined Questionnaire



Countries answering the questionnaires

- 75 responses received
- 38% countries



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6. Deliverables

Availables:

- NIA WG Report of Questionnaires analysis: Done/available for consultation
- Summary of answers to the questionnaires: Done/available for consultation
- Diagrams prepared with answers to questionnaires: by countries and by surface: Done/consultation 10-2015

Coming soon:

- NIA/UNGGIM web page: Next months of 2015 ...
- Report of Assessment of GIM Systems: 01/2016
- Report of Identification of different Best Practices: 05/2016



7. Conclusions

- We have consolidated the Group and cooperation system (not easy...)
- We have finalized one important part of the Work Plan, between these three Task Groups (Questionnaires, Analysis and part of Diagnosis)
- We have analized in our questionnaires Themes and current situation of production (not necessary best practices)
- Now it will be possible to carry-out the identification of existing Best Practices from the different Countries answers (with indicators)
- We hope to finalize our work next months of 2016



8. Points for discussion

The Committee of Experts is invited to:

- **a)** Take note of the report and the work of the Working Group and its three Task Groups inclusive of the combined background paper;
- b) Express its views on the way forward based on the next steps and recommendations proposed by the Working Group to address its mandate relating to National Institutional Arrangements;
- c) Approve the approach to:
 - i. Recirculate the questionnaires and encourage Member States to respond in order to achieve a higher representative sample and more informed results;
 - ii. Convene a technical meeting at an appropriate time in 2016 to expand the discussion on geospatial information institutional arrangements, inclusive of legal and policy frameworks, and to prepare a compendium of characteristics/criteria which determine effective geospatial institutional arrangements; and
- **d) Encourage Member States to actively participate** in the work program of the Working Group.



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