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➤ GSGF Principle 2 Definition

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Principle 2 – Progress

- Reviewed content based on feedback
- Expanded descriptions and addressed presumed knowledge
 - more context and description
 - more examples to provide context
 - linkage and description of benefits
- Made content more broadly applicable to different country situations and pathways
- Recommendation that statistical unit records have a location or geographic reference!



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Principle 2 – Outline

Principle 2 of the Global Framework recommends that the linkage of a geocode for each statistical unit record occur within a data management environment. This enables the following to be achieved:

- Allow the statistics generated from these datasets to be produced for a wide range of geographic contexts
- Enable production of value added data from geospatial analysis
- Enable data linkage processes using a range of sources.
- Ensure data can be managed securely



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Principle 2 – fit with other principles

Pr.3

Common geographic boundaries for dissemination of statistics

Definition of geographic regions and aggregation/disaggregation of data to regions.

Pr.2

Geocoded unit record data in a data management environment

Apply Pr.1 elements to statistical and administrative data within statistical infrastructure

Pr.1 **Use of fundamental geospatial infrastructure and geocoding**

Primarily geospatial community data, tools and standards

Principle 1 & 2 - clarification

Principle 1 – focusses on infrastructure

- Provision of addressing standards and infrastructure, such as address registers
- Ensures geocoding infrastructure (systems and tools) is as standardised as possible

Principle 2 – geocoding of unit records

- Application of geocoding infrastructure to unit records
- Ensures statistical infrastructure can use geospatial infrastructure and standards for geocoding



Principle 2 – Objectives

- **All statistical unit records should include or be linked to a geocode.**
- Ensure the effective implementation of fundamental or national geospatial and geocoding infrastructure and demonstrate its broader value.
- Implement effective data management of statistical and geospatial data.
- Ensure appropriate protection of privacy and secrecy of unit record or microdata level datasets.
- Storage of consistent and interpretable geocodes, preferably linked from a “point-of-truth”.
- Establish tools and methods to enable simplified geographic aggregation of data.
- Ensure that data is stored in a way that will facilitate flexible use of geocoded unit records in future aggregations, analysis and visualisation.



Principle 2 – Relationship to others



Principle 1:

- Draw on fundamental or national geospatial data and infrastructure and geocoding capabilities

Principle 3:

- Definition of common geographic regions for the dissemination of data and associated metadata and data.
- Methods for aggregation and disaggregation of data to regions.



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Principle 2 – Inputs

Standards, frameworks, infrastructure, and best practice.

1. Agreed statistical and geospatial data management frameworks.
2. Addressing and/or location reporting standards and infrastructure.
3. Geocoding tools and metadata standards.
4. Promotion of point-of-entry address validation and geocoding.

**Stat and Geo
Communities**

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Principle 2 – Inputs

Standards, frameworks, infrastructure, and best practice (cont.)

5. National privacy laws and/or agreed privacy standards (UNFPOS).
6. Agreed geographic regions and infrastructure.
7. Global or national/regional Geodetic Reference Frames.

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Principle 2 – External dependencies



Statistical – GSBPM/GSIM managed by the UNECE HLG-MOS

These models are being examined so that they better incorporate geospatial tools, methods and processes into their definitions and resources. There are limited examples of current country applications

GEOSTAT projects are ESSnet projects to foster a better integration of geospatial information and statistics

The main objective of GEOSTAT 3 is to develop recommendations for a harmonised implementation of the GSGF for the ESS.

Provide countries and regions with an example of GSGF implementation plus more detailed resources and practical implementation guidance.

Geospatial – OGC/ISO/IHO Standards

These standards will evolve and change through OGC/ISO/IHO processes - OGC are currently developing geocoding API standards



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Principle 2 – Community Roles

Geospatial community

- Provision of fundamental geospatial data and infrastructure, and geocoding capabilities
- Global or national/regional Geodetic Reference Frames and implementations
- Geospatial data management frameworks
- Geospatial data standards, particularly geocoding metadata specifications
- Supporting common geographic boundaries



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Principle 2 – Community Roles



Statistical Community

- National and international privacy protocols (e.g. UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics)
- Statistical data management frameworks
- Supporting common geographic boundaries
- Implementation of principles to statistical and administrative unit record data and their storage and management

Administrative Data Community

- Implementation of principles to administrative unit record data and their storage and management

Note: differences between community roles may occur at the national level



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Principle 2 – Priority Materials

1. Geocoding guidance material
2. Best practice data and metadata management
3. Guidance on protecting unit record privacy and secrecy



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Principle 2 – Materials

Geocoding guidance material

- A. Application of addressing/location reference standards.
- B. Geocoding methods.
 - Direct coordinate capture
 - Address and location coding (incl. POE).
 - Geographic correspondences and allocations.
- C. Data and metadata management.



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Principle 2 – Materials



Statistical Spatial Framework

SSF Guidance Material – Geocoding Unit Record Data Using Address and Location



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Location and regional information pathways

External Environment

Regional data / Map visualisations



Diagram legend

Data type

Preferred transitions

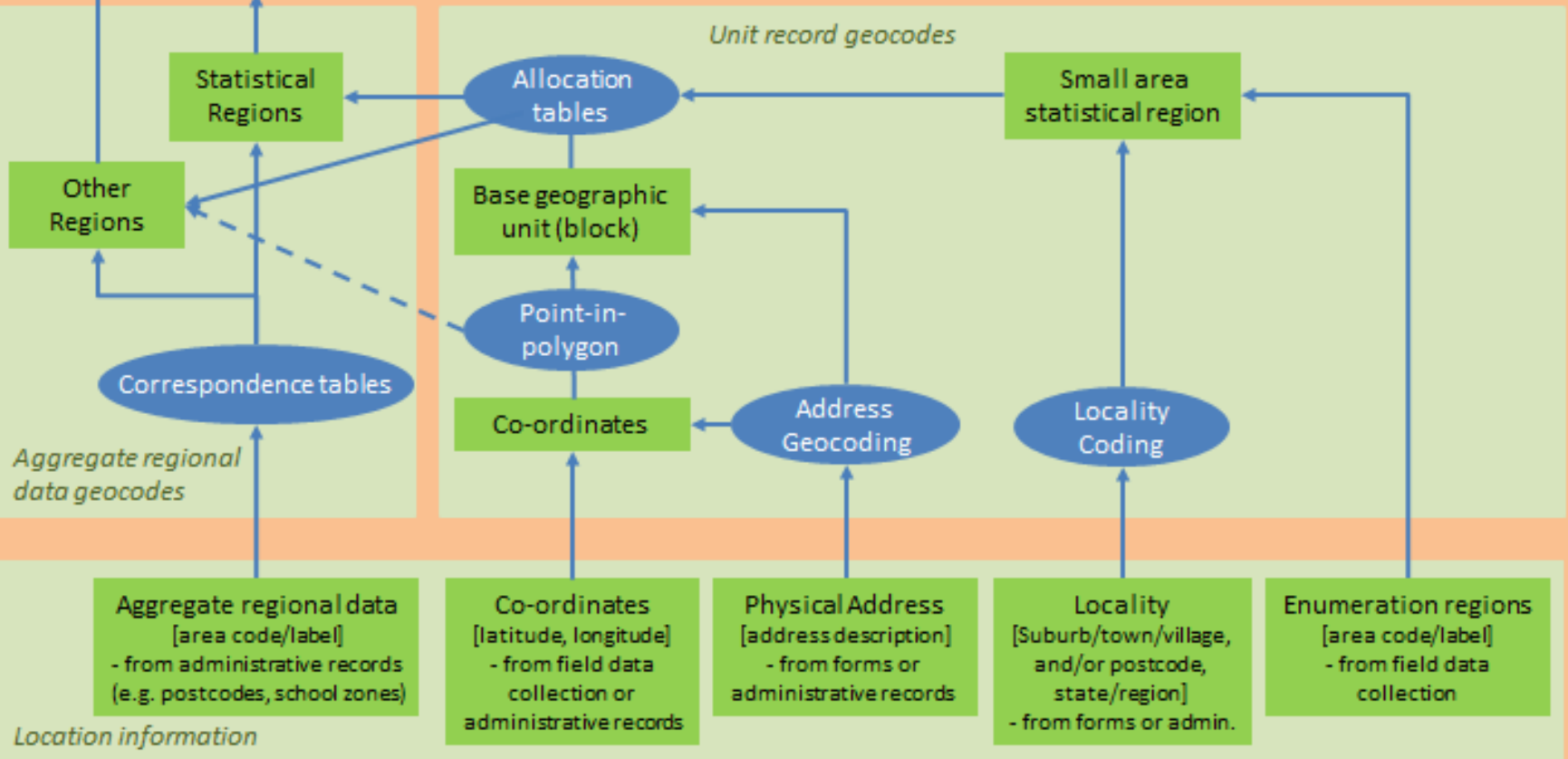
Data states

Other transitions

Data Processes

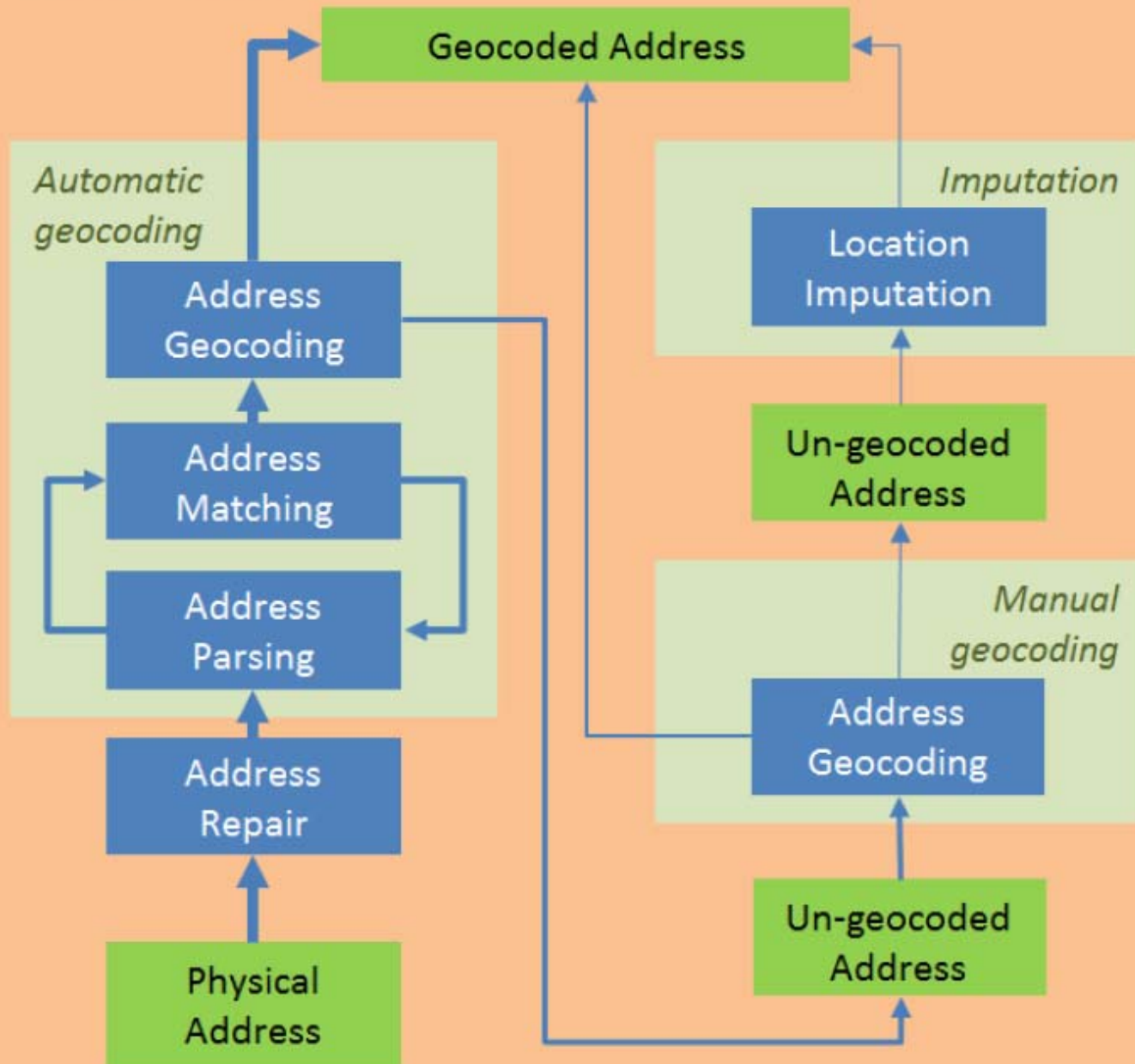
Internal Environment

Unit record geocodes



Location information

Address geocoding process



Principle 2 – Materials

1. Geocoding guidance material
2. Best practice data and metadata management
 - A. Statistical – GSBPM/GSIM & Case Studies
 - GEOSTAT3 examining aspects
 - B. Geospatial – OGC/ISO Standards
 - OGC Geocoding standards

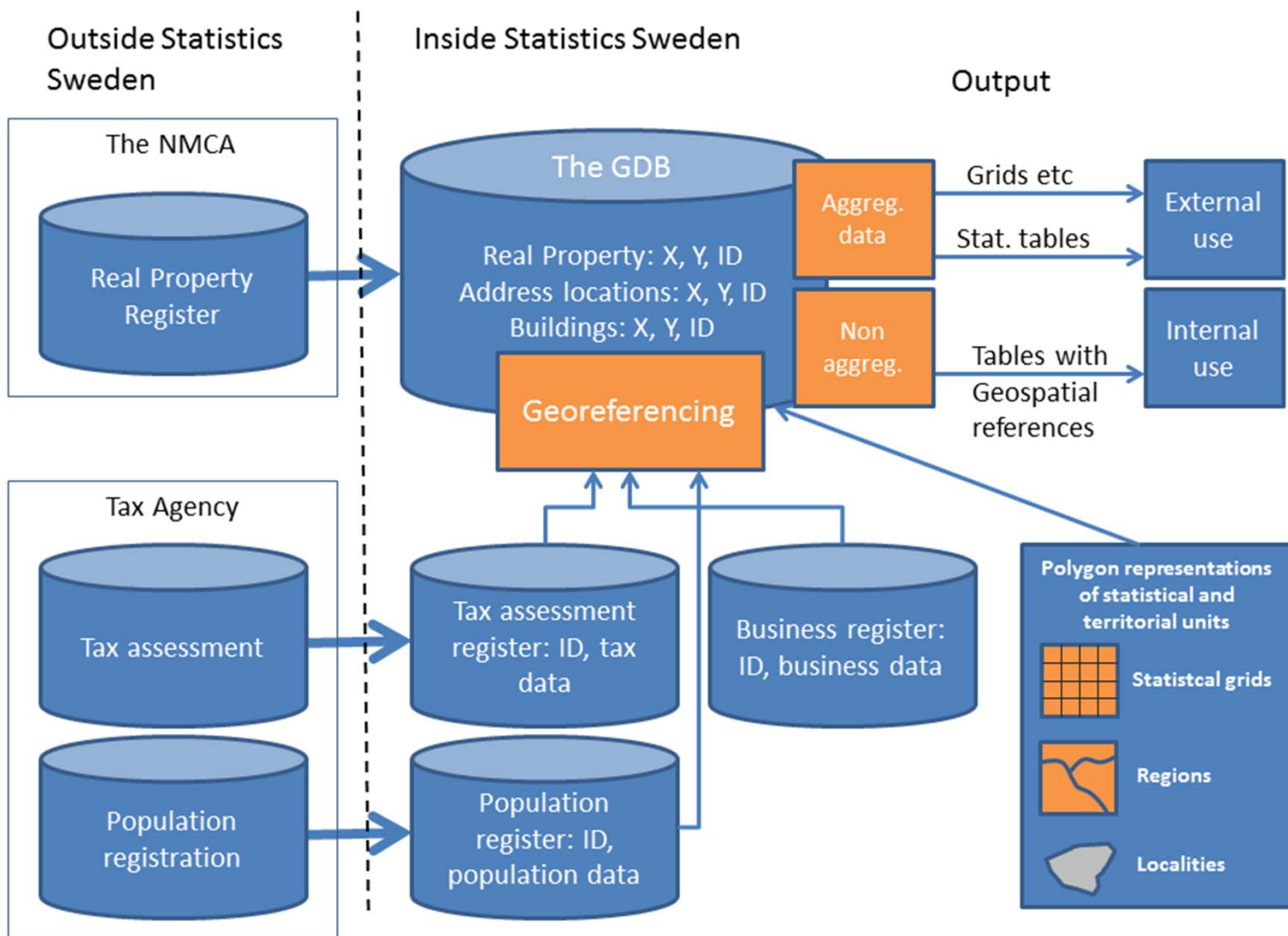


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Statistics Sweden geo data environment



Principle 2 – Materials

1. Geocoding guidance material
2. Best practice data and metadata management
3. Guidance on protecting unit record privacy and secrecy
 - A. Reference existing best practice
 - incorporate address and location aspects
 - B. France is developing some general guidance



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Principle 2 – Concepts

Need to develop list of concepts:

- Geocoding
- Geocoding services
- Point-of-entry address validation
- Georeferencing
- Standards/Framework/Models
- Geographies (*related terms - statistical and administrative geographies, statistical regions, statistical units, regional divisions, statistical areas, functional areas*)



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Principle 2 – Future plans

1. Collect country practices for geocoding, data management and privacy protection.
2. Geocoding guidance material
– develop document from best practice
3. Data and metadata management
– monitor and contribute to international developments: UNECE-HLG, OGC, GEOSTAT3
4. Guidance on protecting unit record privacy and secrecy
– identify documentation of existing best practice



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