# UN Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information (EG-ISGI)

progress update

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### **Outline**

- 1. Background to the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework
- 2. Progress on principle definitions
- 3. Progress on interoperability
- 4. Future directions





### **International Mandate**

**UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** 

**UN Statistical Commission (UNSC)** 

 Global Statistical-Geospatial program review – proposed a global framework UN Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)

List of nine issues included'linking of spatial to statistics'

**UN Expert Group – Integration of Statistical Geospatial Information** 

... both communities

### **Global Statistical Geospatial Framework**

### **5 Principles**

Accessible & usable

Statistical and geospatial interoperability

Common geographies for dissemination of statistics

Geocoded unit record data in a data management environment

Use of fundamental geospatial infrastructure and geocoding





### **Australian SSF**

#### **Australian application of SSF**

Accessible and Usable

Policies, standards and guidelines, support the release, access, analysis and visualisation of spatially enabled information.

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Interoperable Metadata

Use international statistical and geospatial metadata standards.

Common geographic boundaries

Data is released for Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Statistical Area regions.

Data management: geocoded unit record data

Geocode unit records with coordinates and Mesh Blocks.

Use statistical data management frameworks.

Authoritative geospatial infrastructure and geocoding

Use Foundation Spatial Data, including G-NAF and National Address Management standards.





### **GSGF Purpose**

### "The Global Statistical Geospatial Framework will provide:

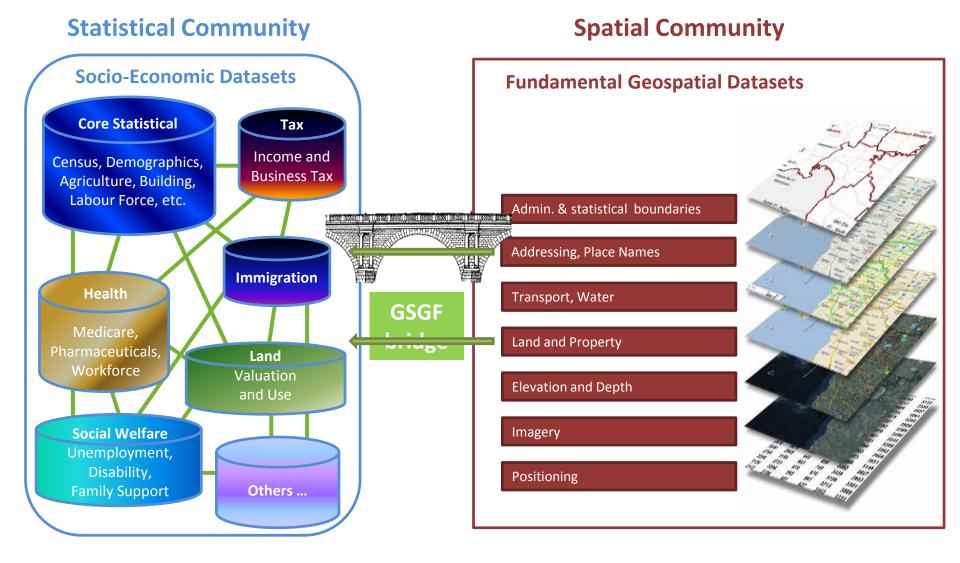
- a common method for <u>geospatially enabling</u> statistical and administrative data,
- ensure that this <u>data can be integrated</u> with geospatial information."

Proposal for a Global Statistical Geospatial Framework, UN-GGIM 6, 2016 New York

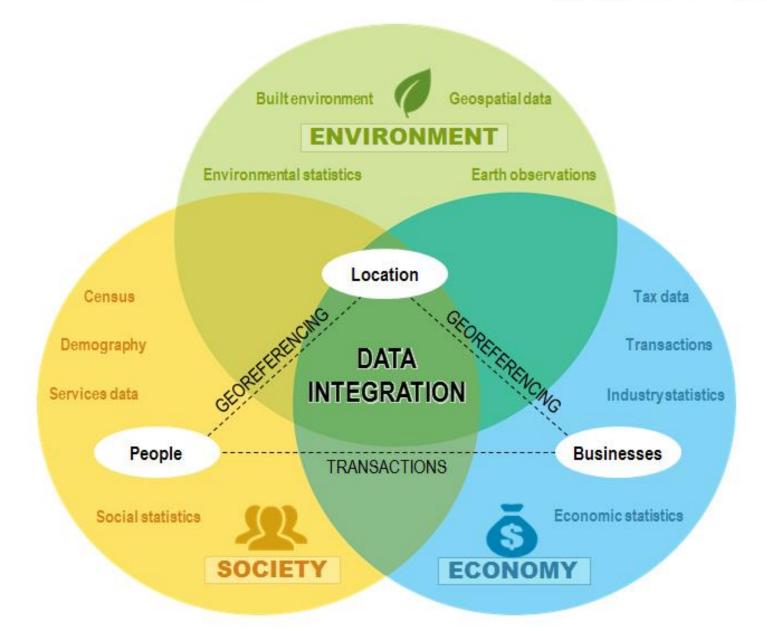




### **Bridging between two communities**



# Location – bridging the 3 domains



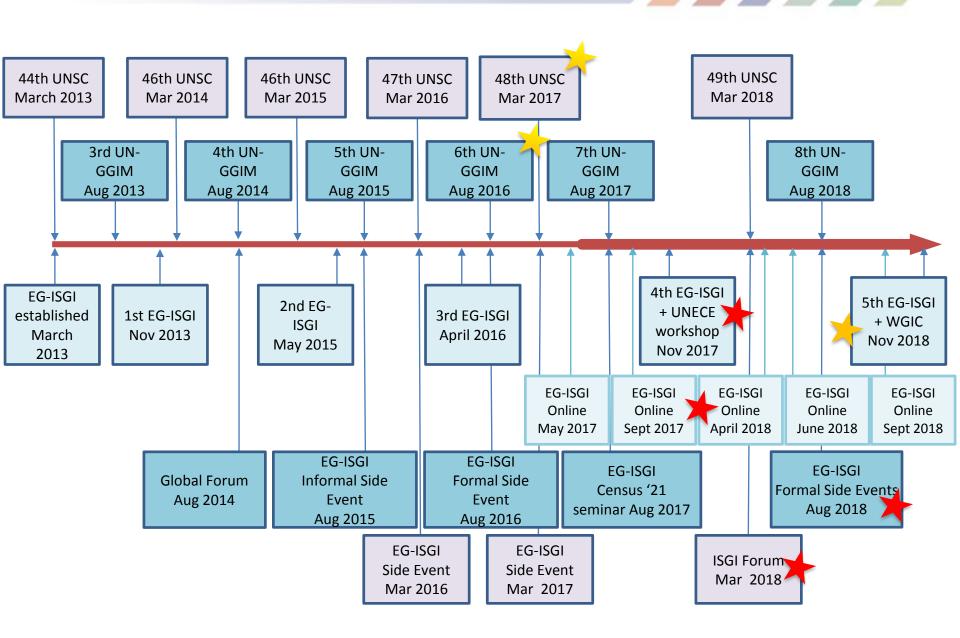
### **EG-ISGI** priority plans

- Elaboration, promotion and implementation of the Framework
- Capability-building and knowledge management
- Showcase country and regional implementations
- Promote and support statistical-geospatial interoperability initiatives
- Coordinate, incorporate and build on the work done by stakeholder organisations





### **EG-ISGI: Timeline**



### **GSGF – Status paper**

### Global Statistical Geospatial Framework: Linking Statistics and Place

# Current status and plans for development July 2018

United Nations Expert Group on the

Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information

### **EG-ISGI** webpage





### **GSGF Principle Working Groups**

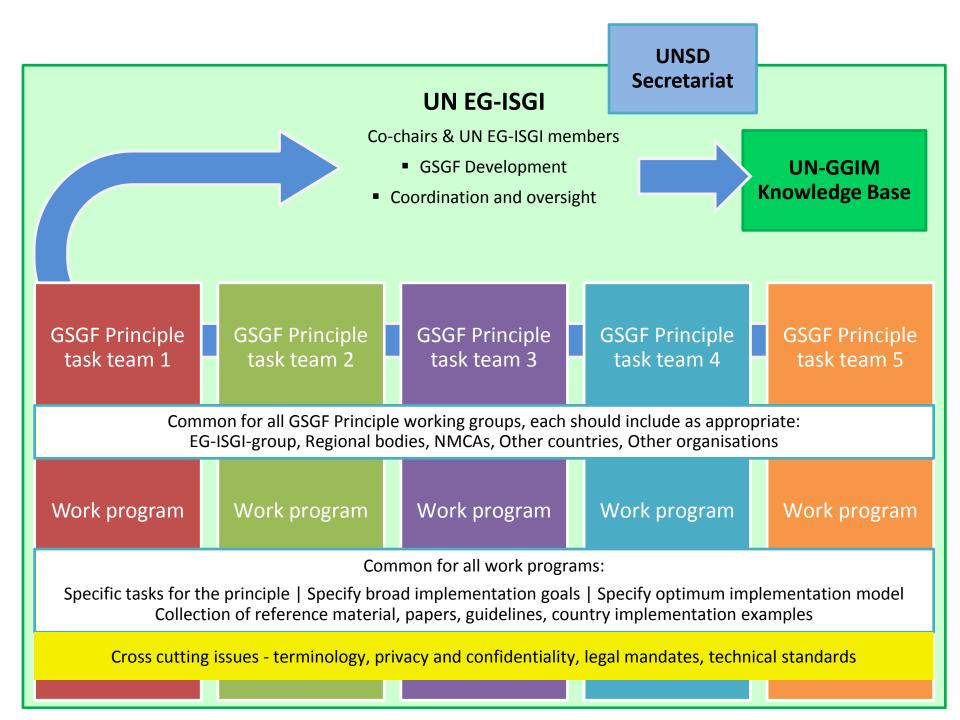




## **GSGF Principle Task Teams**

### **Lead countries - GSGF principles**

GSGF Principle	Lead countries/orgs
Principle 1: Use of fundamental geospatial infrastructure and geocoding	Mexico / Germany
Principle 2: Geocoded unit record data in a data management environment	Australia / Sweden
Principle 3: Common geographies for dissemination of statistics	Poland / Candada
Principle 4: Statistical and geospatial interoperability	Eurostat / UNECE
Principle 5: Accessible and usable geospatially enabled statistics	UK / USA



### **GSGF** principle definitions

- Stockholm meeting November '17 : Discussion
- Online meetings April and June '18: Status reports and planning
- UN-GGIM8 August 2018 : Face to face work on definitions and feedback
- Online meeting Sept '18: Status reports and planning
- WGIC/EG-ISGI meeting 5 Final feedback on documents
- November 2019: Principles definitions final.

Task

team

work





### **GSGF** endorsement program

- 1. November 2019: GSGF principles definitions final
- 2. December February 2019: GSGF principle documents undergo editing and harmonisation
- 3. March 2019 50<sup>th</sup> session of the UNSC: consolidated GSGF principles document tabled as a draft for comments
- 4. March 2019: GSGF principles document begins global consultation phase 3 months





### **GSGF** endorsement program

- 6. June-July 2019: EG-ISGI analyse global consultation comments and finalise the consolidated GSGF principle document
- 7. August 2019 9<sup>th</sup> Session of UN-GGIM: consolidated GSGF principle document presented for endorsement, then if endorsed
- 8. March 2020 51<sup>st</sup> session of the UNSC: consolidated GSGF principles document presented for endorsement.
- 9. Promotion, review and evaluate future plans





### **UNECE & UN-GGIM: Europe**







### Interoperability

### **Short-term high impact projects**

- Increasing visibility across communities of standards, framework and technologies
- Increase understanding of data exchange points across two communities
- Specific projects on pain points
  - identifiers, semantics and data storage





### Interoperability

### **Longer term proposals**

- Increased collaboration and communication on standards across two communities
- Including geospatial processes and information in statistical frameworks and models
- Including statistics among the global fundamental geospatial data themes
- Core geospatial metadata for statistical products
- Collaboration on address and building registers





### **Looking Forward**

- Grow geospatial community engagement
- Follow through to further elaborate Global
   Framework and provide supporting material
- Work to enhance interoperability OGC SWDG
- Promote and support implementation of the Global Framework
- Contribute to statistical-geospatial coordination, particularly on SDGs and 2021 Census



