

Third International Workshop on Operationalizing the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

Office of the National Statistical Committee, Minsk, Republic of Belarus 26 to 28 November 2019

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Preamble

This three-day workshop is a peer-to-peer learning event to raise and improve awareness, knowledge and understanding of the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF) and the integrative role of geospatial information. It will address the availability and accessibility of geospatial information, and its integration with statistics and other data, inter-alia, the data demands in support of national development priorities and national implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The workshop will introduce, inform and work through with invited participants, the majority from the Eastern Europe and Central Asia, the implementation guidance and conceptual approach to operationalize the IGIF according to their national circumstances.

This International Workshop seeks to contribute to the strengthening of nationally integrated geospatial information management towards the production, dissemination and application of geospatial information for national development priorities and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. It will address the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework as an important bridge that enables a range of data to be integrated from both statistical and geospatial communities and, through the application of its five principles and supporting key elements, permits the production of standardized and integrated geospatially enabled statistical data; evolving national spatial data infrastructures; towards data-driven policy and decision making. The IGIF anchored by its nine strategic pathways, together with the Implementation Guide, provides Member States a mechanism for articulating and demonstrating national leadership in integrated geospatial information management, and the capacity to take positive steps.

Venue

Conference Room, Office of the National Statistical Committee 12 Partizanskiy Avenue, Minsk, Republic of Belarus



Annotated agenda

Tuesday 26 November 2019			
8:30am – 9:00am	Arrival of invited participants		
9:00am –	Session #1		
12:30pm	Welcome, introductions and setting the scene		
-	This segment of the international workshop will include welcome messages, announcements, self- introductions by all participants, and a series of presentations to set the scene beginning with the host country, and to frame the context of the workshop		
	Facilitator:		
	Mr. Tim Trainor		
	International Cartographic Association		
	Welcome remarks:		
	Ms. Inna Medvedeva		
	Chairperson, National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus		
	Ms. Alexandra Solovieva		
	Resident Representative, United Nations Development Program – Belarus Country Office		
	🗇 Ms. Carol Agius		
	Administrator, Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Europe		
	Round of brief introductions:		
	All participants		
	Announcements:		
	 Safety, health and environment; and housekeeping announcements <i>Ms. Anastasia Uelskaya, National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus</i> 		
	Setting the context:		
	Why are we here – objective and organization of work		
	Mr. CheeHai Teo, UN Secretariat – Global Geospatial Information Management		
	EFTA's activities to promote the availability of timely, reliable and quality data for the production of indicators		
	☐ Mr. Volker Täube, EFTA-Statistical Office		
	UNECE's activities in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. <i>Mr. Steven Vale, UNECE-Statistics Division</i>		



UN-GGIM: Europe's activities to promote the availability and accessibility of timely, reliable and quality geospatial information for national development priorities and sustainable development

Ms. Carol Agius, Secretariat, UN-GGIM: Europe

The Integrated Geospatial Information Framework – a mechanism for nationally integrated geospatial information management (Seven underpinning principles, eight goals and nine strategic pathways translating high-level strategic concepts into practical *implementation guidance and action*)

Mr. CheeHai Teo, UN Secretariat-Global Geospatial Information Management

Open discussion

Note:

- 1. A group photograph taken at an appropriate time during the segment
- Break for refreshments will be at about 10:30am 2.

12:30pm – 2:00pt	Lunch m	
2:00pm –	Session #2	

2:00pm –

5:00pm

The Integrated Geospatial Information Framework - strengthening national geospatial information management capacities and capabilities

This segment considers developing, coordinating and strengthening national arrangements in geospatial information management. This include building upon investments and existing infrastructures for national spatial data, and re-purposing NSDI initiatives towards nationally integrated geospatial information management to deliver evidence for national development priorities and sustainable development, and towards better societal, economic and environmental value and benefits

Facilitator:

Ms. Carol Agius Secretariat, UN-GGIM: Europe

Presentations:

National arrangements in geospatial information management/national spatial data infrastructures - purpose, status, challenges and opportunities (Succinct presentation on national situation or perspectives, issues, challenges and opportunities. Each presentation of about 15 minutes in duration)

- Mr. Andrei Kosilo, National Academy of Sciences of Belarus
- A Ms. Marina Litreeva, State Committee on Property of the Republic of Belarus
- Ms. Mariam Petrosyan, Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia
- Ms. Marika Abuladze, National Agency of Public Registry, Georgia
- Mr. Almaz Abdiev, State Agency on Land Resources, Kyrgyzstan
- m Ms. Maria Ovdii, Agency for Land Relations and Cadastre, Moldova
- Mr. Dmytro Makarenko, State Service of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre, Ukraine



Mr. Alexey Trifonov, Real Estate Department, Ministry of Economic Development, Russian Federation

Integrated Geospatial Information Framework - improving and strengthening national geospatial information management capacities.

D Mr. Tim Trainor, International Cartographic Association

Facilitated discussion

Note:

1. Break for refreshments will be at about 3:30pm

8:30am – 9:00am	Arrival of invited participants		
9:00am –	Session #3		
12:30pm	The Global Statistical Geospatial Framework - strengthening the integration of statistical, geospatial and other data		
	This segment considers improving the integration of statistical, geospatial and other data towards evidence for policy and decision-making, and to leave no one behind. The Global Statistical Geospatial Framework through the application of its five Principles and supporting key elements, permits the production of standardized geospatially enabled statistical data. The resulting data can be integrated with statistical, geospatial, and other information to inform and facilitate data-driven and evidence-based policies and decisions. And to support national development priorities, the 2020 Round of Population and Housing Census and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Facilitator:		
	Mr. Volker Täube		
	Director, EFTA-Statistical Office		
	Presentations:		
	National experiences and progress in the integration of statistical, geospatial and other information to facilitate the production of SDGs indicators data-driven policies,		
	decisions and actions (Succinct presentation on national situation or perspectives, issues, challenges and opportunities. Each presentation of about 15 minutes in duration)		
	Ms. Elena Kukharevich, National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus		
	🗇 Mr. Zurab Kevanishvili, National Statistics Office of Georgia		
	🗇 Mr. Lilian Galer, National Bureau of Statistics, Moldova		
	Ms. Karine Yesayan, Statistical Committee of the Republic of Armenia (provided)		



Facilitated discussion

The Global Statistical Geospatial Framework: bridge that enables a range of data to be integrated from both statistical, geospatial and other communities *Mr. Tim Trainor, International Cartographic Association*

Note:

1. Break for refreshments will be at about 10:30am

12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch		
2:00pm –	Session #4		
5:00pm	Operationalizing the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework This segment will be an interactive segment to consider the purpose and intent of the Implementation Guide along the three influences – governance, technology and people and the overview (solving the puzzle). The participants will discuss the nine strategic pathways and its elements, the guidance and recommended actions aligned with the nine strategic pathways as a means for governments to establish more effective geospatial information management arrangements		
	Facilitator:		
	Mr. Steven Vale		
	UNECE-Statistics Division		
	Presentations:		
	The Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and its Implementation Guide (The guidance, recommendations and options aligned with the nine strategic pathways to implement the IGIF at country level, the connection between the overarching strategic framework (Part 1) and the country-level Action Plan (Part 3))		
	Mr. Tim Trainor, International Cartographic Association		
	Break-out or Open discussions		
	(Consideration for the options available from the guidance and recommended actions provided to implement nationally integrated geospatial information management)		
	Note:		
	1. Break for refreshments will be at about 3:30pm		
Thursday 28 November 2019			
8:30am – 9:00am	Arrival of invited participants		
9:00am –	Session #5		
12:30pm	The Integrated Geospatial Information Framework – country-level action plan <i>Country-level action plans seek to implement the IGIF at country level, taking into consideration</i> <i>national circumstances and development priorities. It provides the 'how, when and who' processes in</i> <i>implementing the IGIF, detail actions and activities that need to be taken in the short, medium and</i>		



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longer-term, and prioritize these actions and activities including resourcing (capacity, capabilities, technologies and budgetary) considerations. A country-level action plan references the specific guidance, options and actions provided in the Implementation Guide and addresses each of the nine strategic pathways to capture strategic to operational needs of a country when implementing the IGIF as the overarching strategic framework.

Facilitator:

Mr. Tim Trainor International Cartographic Association

Presentations:

National initiatives and progress in implementing the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (Succinct presentation on national initiatives, experience and progress to-date including lessons learnt. Each presentation of about 15 minutes in duration)

- 🗇 Ms. Marika Abuladze, National Agency of Public Registry, Georgia
- Mr. Almaz Abdiev, State Agency on Land Resources, Kyrgyzstan
- J Ms. Maria Ovdii, Agency for Land Relations and Cadastre, Moldova
- *Mr. Dmytro Makarenko, State Service of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre, Ukraine*

The Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and its country-level action plan (*The* connection between the Implementation Guide and the country-level action plan, a capacity and capability development approach and the suite of resource materials/tools that will be made available to support the development of country-level action plans)

D Mr. CheeHai Teo, UN Secretariat-Global Geospatial Information Management

Note:

1. Break for refreshments will be at about 10:30am

12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch
2:00 pm –	Session #6
4:30pm	Where to from here!
_	Countries wish to move towards e-economies, improve services to citizens, develop capacity for

applying geospatial technology, enhance informed government policy and decision-making processes, take practical actions to achieve the digital transformation, and the effective implementation of national strategic and development priorities and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This segment seeks to interact and discuss what is needed next at the country level, and will also bring the international workshop to a close.

Facilitator:

Mr. CheeHai Teo UN Secretariat – Global Geospatial Information Management

Break-out or open discussion

(Each country designs, develops, owns and implements their own implementation strategy through its own country-level action plan. Consideration for the approach and what is



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needed next, including to design, develop and implement Integrated Geospatial Information Framework through a country-level action plan)

Round of observations and comments about the workshop All participants

Brief closing remarks:

- Mr. Volker Täube EFTA-Statistical Office
- Mr. Steven Vale UNECE-Statistics Division

