Report from the UN-GGIM: Europe Working Group on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF)

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UN-GGIM: Europe: Vision and Mission Statement

Building on the overarching vision of UN-GGIM of *positioning geospatial information to effectively address global challenges*, UN-GGIM: Europe mission is:

*Maximise the use of geospatial information in Europe for a safer and more sustainable world.*

*Through identifying opportunities, understanding and solving common challenges across the Europe Region. By collaborating with partners to enhance the use of geospatial data and its integration with statistics to inform and drive action.*
UN-GGIM: Europe; a connected approach

Work Plan

Annual Steer from Committee of Experts

... and which allows Europe to contribute most effectively to the global UN-GGIM agenda, sharing regional experiences

Informed by global priorities the Regional Committee develops UN-GGIM: Europe Strategy

... which shapes the regional rolling workplan

... which enables European member states and stakeholders to collaborate on key priorities

... and which allows European member states and stakeholders to work together, progress key priorities and shape our European position
# Work Plan – 5 ‘lines of work’

## Integrated Geospatial Information Framework
- supports the regional representatives on the HLG-IGIF, provide the views of the European Region as the IGIF matures, and consider activities which will benefit members of UN- GGIM: Europe.

## Global Geodetic Reference Frames
- Aligns and support the UN- GGIM Subcommittee on Geodesy’s priorities for the Global Geodetic Reference Frame, and to translate them into actions relevant for UN- GGIM: Europe.

## Data Integration
- Explore ways to contribute and support activities promoting geospatial and statistical data integration, including reinforcing the involvement of the EO community.

## Sustainable Development Goals
- Maintain the active contribution of UN- GGIM: Europe on showcasing the added value of integrating geospatial data with other data to address SDG indicators.

## Data Strategy and Policy
- Contribute to the development of relevant policy and data strategies regarding the management and use of geospatial data to maximise its value in addressing the challenges of a green, sustainable and digital Europe.
The IGIF has quickly become the 'umbrella framework' for the activities of UN-GGIM.

Many of the existing frameworks and global expert and working groups relate to the UN-IGIF.

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UN-GGIM: Europe UN-IGIF Working Group

Aim and expected outcomes

▪ Actively promote the IGIF as a tool and an evaluation system for MS, especially those that already have national frameworks in place.

▪ Support MS to develop their capabilities and build capacity in country especially enabling them to evaluate and assess the relevance of the IGIF.
UN-GGIM: Europe UN-IGIF Working Group
Members come from across our region

Albania  Italy  ConsultingWhere
Armenia  Poland  ESRI
Belarus  Portugal  EuroGeographics
Belgium  Serbia  EuroSDR
Finland  Spain
Germany  Sweden
Greece  The Netherlands
Ireland  Ukraine  United Kingdom
Work plan outline

Deliverable 1: Expert contributions
- Promote regional experts by contributing experts to global tasks
- Support European representatives on the HLG-IGIF

Deliverable 2: Avoid duplication
- Make sure regional activities support global plans
- Global outputs should be transferrable into UN-GGIM: Europe

Deliverable 3: Share knowledge
- Act as a convening body for UN-GGIM: Europe
- Host knowledge share events (webinars or seminars)

Deliverable 4: Promote regional successes
- Provide Regional case studies.
- Support Member States to develop Country-level Action Plans
Webinar series

The first webinar focused on an introduction to the UN-IGIF.

85 Delegates attended.

38 Countries were represented.

Regional attendees

- Europe
- Americas
- Africa
- Asia Pacific
- Arab States
UN-GGIM: Europe supporting HLG-IGIF activities

As well as delivering its own Work Group activities, Members from across UN-GGIM: Europe continue to support the HLG-IGIF Working Groups

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Thank you for listening.

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