# Enhancing geospatial information management to advance national priorities and global agendas

Successes and challenges in the implementation of the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework





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### Where are you today as a country on your capacities and capabilities in geospatial information management?

- Panama is in an intermediate stage of progress, with institutional capacities in development, but with significant gaps in the comprehensive management of geospatial information.
- Consolidating IPDE as a national platform is essential to integrate geospatial management and enhance its strategic use, decision-making and sustainable development.





#### Where does your country want to be in the next 5 years?

- Implementation of the National Geospatial Information Strategy, with a fully operational national infrastructure that integrates data from all public institutions under common standards and interoperable services.
- A unified government geospatial platform is envisaged to support development planning, risk management, public investment and evidence-based decisionmaking.
- The country also plans to establish a robust institutional and regulatory framework that guarantees the governance, sustainability and ethical use of geospatial data, promoting collaboration between the State, academia and the private sector.





#### Successes in the implementation of the UN-IGIF

- Panama recognizes geospatial information as a key component for sustainability, security, and economic competitiveness.
- Excellent exercise to identify strengths and weaknesses about the current.
   job...Assess the effort made and redesign the roadmap...
- A National Plan for all, by allowing the participation of all sectors in the process of elaboration.
- The visibility of scenarios allows us to know the current state of geospatial data management in the country.





#### Challenges in the implementation of the UN-IGIF

- Strengthen institutional governance and coordination: Consolidate the Panamanian Spatial Data Infrastructure (IPDE) as an articulating axis between public institutions, guaranteeing leadership, inter-institutional cooperation and compliance with common geospatial policies.
- Ensure institutional and financial sustainability: Guarantee the technical, human and budgetary resources necessary for the sustained implementation of the framework, ensuring its continuity beyond administrative changes.
- Update and maintain fundamental geospatial data: Develop permanent mechanisms for collecting, updating and disseminating essential data (land use, cadastre, hydrography, risks, biodiversity, among others), ensuring their quality and national coverage.





#### **THANKS**



