

**Expert Consultation and Meeting on Enhancing Geospatial Information Management Arrangements and Accelerating Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, and the Sub-regional Workshop on the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF) for Central America and neighbouring Latin American countries**

**Implementing geospatial strategies: challenges and opportunities**

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# Where is your country today in enhancing the management and use of geospatial information?





- Users of geospatial information are moderately aware of the need for better data management.
- Limited innovations applied to geospatial management.
- Disinterest in the value of geospatial data quality.
- Strengthening data governance.
- Formalization of fundamental datasets.
- Promoting the need for data documentation.



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# Where does your country aim to be in the next five years?

-  Have a national geospatial data policy in place
-  SDI strategic plan
-  Definition of protocols for the exchange and use of data between sectoral agencies
-  Periodic inventory of geospatial data and its applicability



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# What do you see as the main challenges in reaching this “ideal” situation within the next five years?

- Awareness of the importance of using geospatial data at hierarchical and management levels.
- Involvement of academic institutions and technical centers.
- Applicability of data use in different fields.



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# What potential opportunities could help address some or all of these challenges?

- Implementation of national and international projects focused on land use planning, risk management, and food security.
- Coordination between sectoral instances responsible for data collection and analysis.
- Regional forums on best practices and related initiatives.
- Collaboration agreements between the statistics office and sectoral administrative registries.
- Use of data in different areas.



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# How familiar are you with UN-GGIM, the UN-GGKIC, the IGIF, and the CAP?



- Participation in regional meetings and virtual events, working groups, and access to technical documents.
- Participation in IGIF social events, workshops, webinars.



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# What kind of support would you like to receive from UN-GGIM, UN-GGKIC, or other partners?

- Access to in-person and virtual training related to the use of geospatial data.
- A high-level event with international participation aimed at decision-makers.



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