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Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (for discussion and decision)

Statement provided by:

Regional Committee of UN-GGIM: Europe and Sweden respectively

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Oral Statement from UN-GGIM: Europe

- UN-GGIM: Europe commends the HLG-IGIF's progress and plan, noting the six strategic goals which we believe provide a strong guiding structure for the Framework's implementation and sustainability and are applicable for all countries; we especially note the importance of communication, promotion and knowledge sharing.
- Interlinking the IGIF with other regional and global frameworks will maximise resources and benefits, avoiding duplication of efforts or competition with overlapping programmes. We suggest that a powerful move is to embed the IGIF in UN frameworks which already enjoy high political awareness and funding.
- We share the concern of inadequate resources for the IGIF, including for resourcing the completion of the Implementation Guide and Strategic Pathways.

Oral statement from Sweden

- As the distinguished members of UN-GGIM Europe addressed in their intervention, Sweden also commends the HLG-IGIF's progress and plan and endorse the Strategic Plan
- Sweden emphasis, on behalf of the HLG-IGIF the need of resources to be engaged and active in the work with the three prioritize goals, as well the refinement and finalization of the "Implementation Guide".
The Implementation Guide is the foundation for the rest of the future work of the HLG and is the most critical cog in the IGIF suite of products and resources.
- Sweden will continue to support the work of HLG-IGIF, the implementation of IGIF and the completion of the Implementation Guide

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