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Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i>	
Colombia's National Statistics Office (DANE, for its acronym in Spanish)	
<i>Statement:</i>	
<p>Colombia recognizes the work of the Committee of Experts to support the Working Group's transition from hypothetical to real-world situations, addressing practical solutions by leveraging the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and its Implementation Guide. We also highlight the relevance on the work done on developing tools to better communicate with policy makers and the general public in order to highlight how could recent developments benefit all stakeholders of the data ecosystem.</p> <p>Colombia underlines the importance of the decision of the Committee to encourage consideration of additional legal issues, including authority and custodianship, authoritative data, geospatial data for the public good, the ethical use of geospatial data, standard license agreements applicable under diverse liability definitions and legal frameworks in the Member States. Colombia highlights the importance of encouraging the participation of the geospatial information community in the discussions held in other scenarios, such as UNSD's Working Group on Data Stewardship as well as on UN's Committee of Experts on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics, as its contribution on the discussions held on these scenarios could be beneficial.</p> <p>As such, we look forward to contributing to the development of appropriate mechanisms to promote data sharing, standard license agreement and the definition of Policy and Legal of the IGIF.</p>	
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