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### Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Norway	
<i>Statement:</i> <p>Norway welcomes the report and thanks the Secretariat and the High level group for taking strategic actions to sustain the usability and success of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF). The expectations of the public sector to provide data to support innovation and development in society is increasing. The IGIF can be an important basis for the development of a global community for sharing knowledge and harmonize the integration of geospatial information at country level.</p> <p>The IGIF process may contribute to ensure that Member states can benefit from the opportunities offered by innovation and new technology in their development efforts. The World Bank and other UN bodies have an excellent opportunity to initiate donor coordination based on this framework.</p> <p>Norway supports the endorsement of the Strategic Plan of the High level group and the six strategic goals pertain to the implementation and sustainability of the framework at the country level. Norway notes the three goals identified for immediate attention by the high level group, namely improved communication, capacity development, and sustainable funding.</p> <p>Norway emphasizes, for progress at country level, the importance of strategic goal number five, namely to encourage collaboration, exchange and sharing between national stakeholders.</p> <p>Norway would like to contribute to the further knowledge exchange networks between Member states in the process of implementing the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.</p>	
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