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

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Ireland, Head of Delegation Colin Bray, Chief Executive Officer at Ordnance Survey Ireland	
<i>Statement:</i> Ireland welcomes the report from the Working Group on Policy and Legal Frameworks for Geospatial Information Management, noting the progress, work and activities carried out in the last twelve months. In particular we note and appreciate the efforts of the Working Group in considering a workplan for 2020-2022 where the Working Group will transition from hypothetical to real-world situations, and to begin legal considerations on items that include authoritative data, geospatial data for public good, the ethical use of geospatial data and the implementation of the Policy and Legal Strategic Pathway of the of the IGIF. Ireland is supportive of the work of this Working Group believing that it is important for maintaining public trust in official geospatial data, especially given the current and near future global challenges that have to be met with evidence- based decisions and policies.	
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