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Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

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Statement provided by:

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Statement:

- The Netherlands welcome the report of the High-level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework, prepared with the assistance of the Secretariat, outlining the activities and progress of the HLG-IGIF.
- The Netherlands underwrite the relevance of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and is committed to participate in the HLG-IGIF.
- The Strategic Plan of the HLG-IGIF is an important and positive step forward. The Netherlands recognize and support the progress made regarding the defined goals. Further reflection on available capacity and funding encouraged the Netherlands to support embedding of the IGIF as a tangible result into the existing UN-Conventions, Agreements and Frameworks, as this would guarantee high political awareness and long-term sustainability of the obtained results. We suggest that communication on IGIF should highlight its added value in the context of these existing UN Conventions, Agreements and Frameworks as they address the imminent global Agenda. Such communication could comprise local and international champions that spread the message by using modern and different communication channels.
- The Netherlands note the relevance of refinement and finalization of the Implementation
 Guide and shares the concern voiced in the report of inadequate resources for the IGIF,
 including for resourcing the completion of the Implementation Guide and Strategic Pathways.

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