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Integration of geospatial, statistical and other related information (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Austria	
<i>Statement:</i> <p>Austria notes and welcomes the report of the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information outlining the Expert Group’s work and the progress made during the intersessional period.</p> <p>Austria likes to emphasize the importance of a powerful and efficient collaboration between the geospatial- and statistical domain as well as other expert domains in the need of spatial driven investigations.</p> <p>We encourage the ongoing work plan with the topics on capacity building, privacy and confidentiality and the principles of the GSGF; especially the latter with the work streams on Geocoding, Common Geographies and Interoperability, which achieve outstanding meaning with pragmatic, understandable and implementable methods in these working areas.</p> <p>Austria recognizes the actual result of the “Global survey to diagnose readiness at the country level for implementing the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework”. A first response from 77 member states is promising, although a higher participation will allow for better supporting measures. Austria agrees with the Expert Group’s decision to keep the Global Survey open until November 2021 and gives courage to all Member States who have not yet participated.</p>	
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