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UN-GGIM: Europe – the combination of geospatial data with statistical data for SDG indicator under a geospatial lens

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Abstract:

Some of the most important issues currently being dealt with are related to the Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) and the 2030 Agenda. The creation of an indicator monitoring setup is a complex task. But at the same time, this provides an opportunity for the geospatial agencies and the national statistical institutes in European UN Member States to work together in order to raise the importance of the geospatial data in enhancing, measuring and monitoring progress made towards the achievement of the SDGs.

The UN-GGIM: Europe Working Group on Data Integration addresses specific SDG indicators and targets by taking into account the specificities of the European context regarding data availability, policy orientation and governance arrangements. Apart from the global level the background and experiences of European and national initiatives addressing the SDGs from a geospatial perspective are considered.

The presentation will demonstrate the selection of specific indicators for which the integration between geospatial information and statistical data is relevant for SDG monitoring. The evaluation system to analyse the indicators at a national, regional/European and at the global level will be explained according to their requisites in terms of geospatial input data sources, geospatial data integration with other statistical information and geospatial analysis, methodologies, quality standards assessment and dissemination strategies.

The UN-GGIM: Europe Work Group on Data Integration activities are closely linked to the GEOSTAT-3 project. The cooperation will be shown.