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# UN-GGIM: Europe Working Group on Core Data Report

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# Introduction – Reminder



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# What is Core Data?

- Core data is **priority data**
  - Geospatial data
  - The most useful to analyse, achieve or monitor the SDGs
  - Directly or indirectly



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# Objectives of the Working Group on Core Data

- **Define Core Data** and encourage UN European Member States to produce and supply it
- **Define priorities** for producing new data or for improving existing data



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# Steps of the Working Group on Core Data

Selecting 14 core themes out of 34 INSPIRE themes

## Annex I

Coordinate Reference Systems  
Geographical Grid Systems  
Geographical Names  
Administrative Units  
Addresses  
Cadastral Parcels  
Transport Networks  
Hydrography  
Protected Sites

## Annex II

Elevation  
Land Cover  
Orthoimagery  
Geology

## Annex III

### Statistical units

Buildings

Soil

Land use

Human health and safety

Utility and governmental services

Environmental monitoring facilities

Production and industrial facilities

Agricultural and aquaculture facilities

Population distribution - demography

Area management/restriction/regulation

Natural risk zones

Atmospheric conditions

Meteorological geographical features

Oceanographic geographical features

Sea regions

Bio-geographical regions

Habitats and biotopes

Species distribution

Energy resources

Mineral resources



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# Steps of the Working Group on Core Data

- 'Recommendations for Content' for core themes, based on
  - Existing standards: mainly **INSPIRE**
  - Common user requirements with focus on **SDG related use cases**
- Common user requirements
  - Common minimum core data content



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# Iterative process of the Working Group on Core Data

- Phase 1: Preparation (investigation, discussions, ...)  
→ initial draft
- Phase v2: Review by WG A on core data  
→ consolidated draft
- Phase 3: Review by whole geo-statistical community  
→ definitive deliverable



# State of Play

## Core Data Themes



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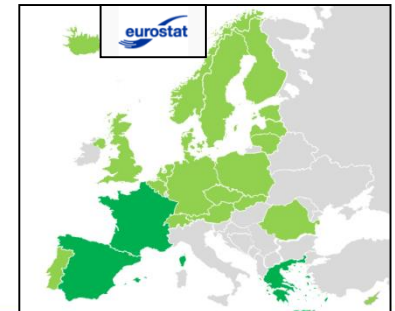
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# Core Theme 'Cadastral Parcels'

- Main recommendations
  - Encourage cadastral parcels forming a **partition of territory**
    - Cadastring **public domain** is encouraged
    - Completeness & Topology (no gaps or overlaps)
  - Encouraging efficient **link with land registry**
    - Temporal consistency between cadastral map and land registry
- State-of-play
  - Wide contribution across Europe (WG A, questionnaire, review)
  - Positive feed-back
  - **Final version published**



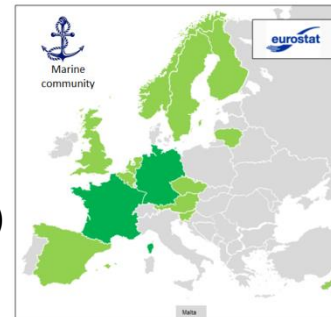
# Core Theme 'Addresses'

- Main recommendations
  - The basic unit of addressing is a **building**
    - Proper level of core address
  - True addresses on **whole territory**
    - Street names and house numbers or names everywhere (including rural areas)
- State-of-play
  - **Review by geo-statistical community** (phase 3)
    - Strong interest from statistical community
    - Some core recommendations integrated in ESGF
  - Final version still to be published



# Core Theme 'Geographical Names'

- Main recommendations
  - All names that currently are in use should be populated
    - **Names used as search criteria in geoportals → Completeness**
  - Named Places should be populated with **population information** and with **true geometry**
    - Names used in mapping → Selection criteria
- State-of-play
  - **Review by geo-statistical community**
    - Phase 3 ongoing
    - Successful review (more than 100 comments from 17 organisations)
  - Final version still to be published



# Core Theme 'Basic Services'

- Main recommendations
  - **Minimum list of basic services** addressing the following functions:
    - Energy supply, waste management, education, health, safety and defense, recreation, general administration, social services, economic services
    - This minimum list should ideally be a starting point for national standards
- State-of-play
  - **Review by geo-statistical community**
    - Phase 3 ongoing
  - Final version still to be published



# Core Theme 'Administrative Units'

- Main recommendations
  - **Very close to INSPIRE**
  - Land administrative units
    - Defining levels of detail
      - Interest for both large scale data and medium scale data
    - Encouraging agreed representation in order to ensure correct topology
  - Sea administrative areas
    - Enrich INSPIRE data by new standard S121 (IHO)
- State-of-play
  - **Review by geo-statistical community**
    - Phase 3 ongoing
  - Final version still to be published

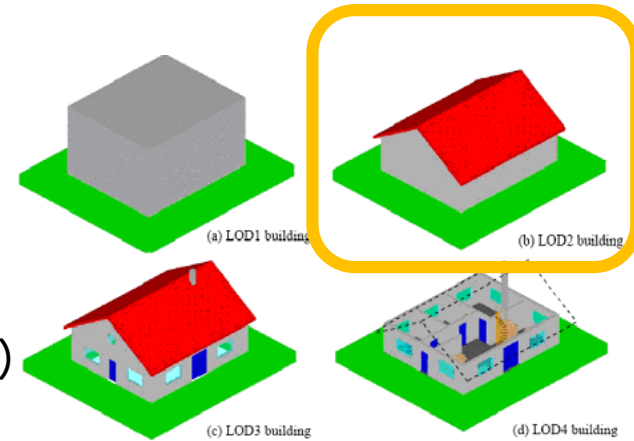


# Core Theme 'Buildings'

- Main recommendations

- **Choice of geometric representation**

- Priority 1 (core recommendation): 2D
    - Priority 2 (good practice): 3D (CityGML LOD2)



- State-of-play

- Review by WG A done (phase 2)

- **Consolidated draft has just been published**

- for review by geo-statistical community
    - deadline: 31 August 2018



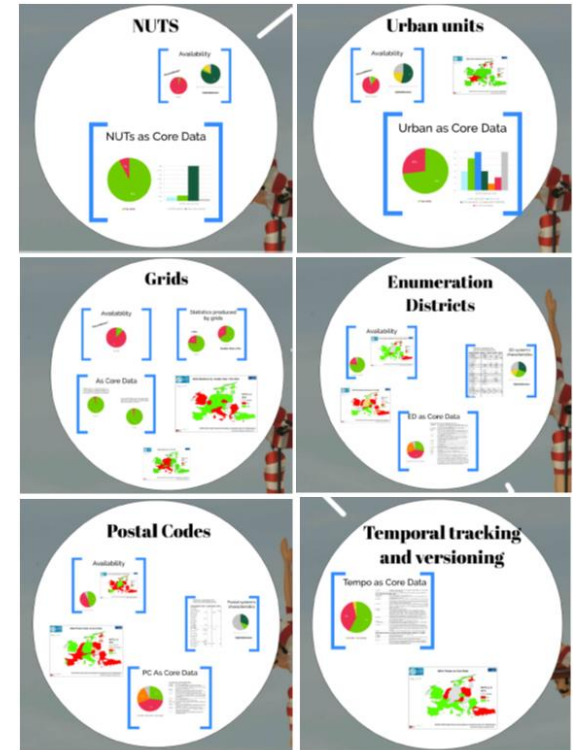
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# Core Theme 'Statistical Units'

- Main recommendations
  - **Selection of main types**
    - Priority 1 (core recommendation):  
1 km<sup>2</sup> grids; NUTS/LAU; Urban Units
    - Priority 2 (good practice):  
Enumeration Districts
- State-of-play
  - Review by WG A done (phase 2)
  - **Consolidated draft to be published**,  
for review by geo-statistical community



*Results of the questionnaire  
among the statistical  
community*



# Other Actions



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# Other Actions

- Communication
  - INSPIRE conference (September 2017)
  - EFGS (November 2017)
  - GISCO – UNGGIM Europe (April 2018)
  - INSPIRE KEN webinar (June 2018)
- Coordination
  - WG global fundamental data
  - WG B
  - Statistical community



# Conclusions



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# Conclusion:

## Next Working Group A Actions & Challenges

- Finalise recommendations for content
  - For all the 14 core data themes
- Tackle **economic** model, **political** and **financial** frameworks of core data
  - Key for supporting core data availability



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# Conclusion: Next Working Group A Actions & Challenges (cont.)

- **Convince decision-makers to implement** core data recommendations
  - Better involve non-EU European countries
  - Better involve non-NSI & non-NMCA actors
    - Other data producers
    - Governments



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