

UN-GGIM: Europe Work plan 2020 - 2023



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Work Plan 2020 – 2023

- Rolling work plan that is annually updated and presented to Regional Committee at Plenary Meeting
- Last Work Plan was approved at the Sixth Plenary in June 2019
- Draft work plan circulated prior to this meeting



Work Plan 2019 – 2022

In essence the aims, objectives and outputs of the groups remain the same, however:

- The Work Plan is updated to reflect the global developments and work of the Committee of Experts.
- It also takes into consideration the fact that the Regional Working Groups are delivering and completing the work they were originally tasked with.



Collaboration with UNECE

- Over the past year, the Executive Committee of UN-GGIM: Europe continued to engaged with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), delivering on the the collaboration agreement between UN-GGIM: Europe and UNECE.
- The main focus of the agreement is on capacity development.
- This agreement is due to expire at the end of 2020, the Executive Committee is suggesting that together with UNECE it continues to manage and develop this collaboration by reviewing and renewing this collaboration beyond 2020.



Working Group Core Data

This Working Group is focusing on increasing data interoperability and harmonisation by proposing core geospatial data which meets essential user needs.

Recommendations of content of core data (2020):

- provide recommendations for content for core data, based on user needs and requirements, especially those related to SDGs, and on INSPIRE data specifications, and carrying out an extended consultation with the geo-statistical community.
- prepare a document about promoting core data implementation (state-of-play, vision, action proposals).



Working Group on Data Integration

The mandate of the Working Group on Data Integration is to ensure that the regional entity focuses on how geospatial data can enhance sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda in Europe.

- **Primary Tasks:**

- Analysing further SDG indicators – focusing on Earth Observation, and can include as part of a sub-task ‘Requirements and practices from National Statistical Offices for the use of earth observation data for national statistics’
- Advisory Group for global and European data integration issues
- Analysis of (future) trends in data capture, creation, maintenance and management – using Linked (Open) Data methods to enhance data integration

- **Secondary Task:**

- support Post-Census 2020 activities and using synergies with UNECE/WG Data Integration



Working Group on Geodetic Reference Frame in Europe (GRF-Europe)

- The Working Group on Geodetic Reference Frames in Europe is evaluating its role, tasks and relations to other entities. Development on the global level has been active, and this sets new demands on the regional level. Europe is more developed in terms of geodetic infrastructures and geodetic Core Sites than most of the other global regions. This, together with the establishment and ongoing work of the Sub-Committee on Geodesy (SCoG), has had a bearing on the tasks GRF- Europe group agreed by UN-GGIM: Europe at its Fourth Plenary in June 2017.
- The Executive Committee of UN-GGIM: Europe is suggesting that it is allowed to further explore how this can best be implemented in practice taking into consideration the progress of the work plan and roadmap of the SCoG



UN-GGIM: Europe Secretariat

In addition to the duties described in Article 6 of the Articles and Rules of UN-GGIM: Europe, the Secretariat will continue its work on the following tasks:

- Cooperation with UN-GGIM Secretariat, other Regional Committees and the wider geospatial community (On-going):
- Compile and maintain knowledge base of the European NMCA and NSIs (On-going):
- Support the Executive Committee in its relationship with Observer Organisations (On-going)



Action Proposals

- The Executive Committee proposes that it be given the mandate to implement this Work Plan and to decide on how best to coordinate the regional work on the different topic areas.



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