

# Reporting on UN-GGIM: Europe activities



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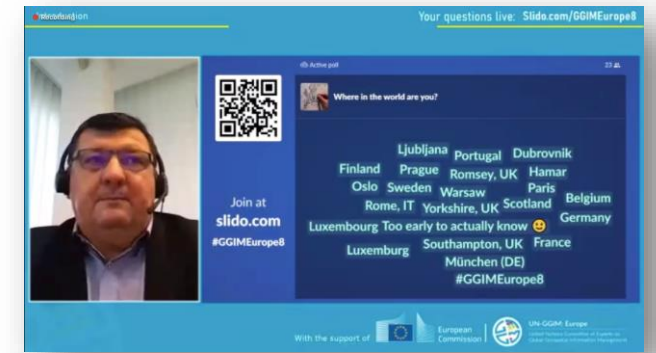
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# Annual Regional Plenary Meeting



- Held the Eighth UN-GGIM: Europe Plenary October 2021 as a virtual event with over 110 participants registered from 35 Member States and 11 International Organisations
- Session continued to strengthen the regional collaboration of the geospatial and statistical communities, and included presentations from regional partners and stakeholders. Together with presentations demonstrating the importance of data for the decade of action.
- In dept sessions on the implementation of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework and the ECOSOC review of UN-GGIM. Together with four side events organized by our regional partners on AI, GGCE, European Data Policy, and Standards.
- Presented and approved the refreshed strategy and work plan for UN-GGIM: Europe which will ensure that the regional work is anchored in the global programme of the Committee while reflecting the changing landscape.



<https://un-ggim-europe.org/past-meetings/plenary-meetings/eighth-plenary-un-ggim-europe-october-2021/>

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# Governance of UN-GGIM: Europe

- UN-GGIM: Europe is coordinated and managed by an Executive Committee approved at Regional Plenary Meetings
- The current Executive Committee of UN-GGIM: Europe:

## Chair

- Tomaz Petek, Slovenia

## Vice-Chairs

- Francisco Vala, Portugal
- David Henderson, United Kingdom

## Members

- Ingrid Vanden Berghe, Belgium
- Paul Becker, Germany
- Frank Tierolff, Netherlands
- Janusz Dygaszewicz, Poland
- Susanne Ås Sivborg, Sweden

- The Netherlands is responsible for providing the secretariat to UN-GGIM: Europe. The function of the Secretariat of UN-GGIM: Europe is funded and executed by EuroGeographics AISBL through a Service Level Agreement with Kadaster Netherlands which has been renewed for another two years until the end of 2022.



# Achieving the UN-GGIM: Europe – Work



## Rolling work plan adopted at the Seventh Plenary 2020

- [Working Group on Core Data](#) is focusing on increasing data interoperability and harmonisation by proposing core geospatial data which meets essential user needs
- [Working Group Data Integration](#) works to ensure that the regional entity focuses on how geospatial data can enhance sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda in Europe.

## Renewed work plan adopted at the Eighth Plenary 2021

- UN-GGIM: Europe Strategy document and proposes five key priority area that meet the strategic alignment of the needs and requirements of Europe within the global programme of the Committee of Experts: Integrated Geospatial Information Framework, Geodetic Reference Frames, Data Integration, Sustainable Development Goals & Data Strategy and Policy



[UN-GGIM: Europe work plan 2020 – 2023](#)

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# Collaboration agreement between UN-GGIM: Europe and UNECE

- The collaboration agreement between UN-GGIM: Europe and UNECE concluded at the end of 2020, collaboration has been successful, producing tangible results.
- The focus of the collaboration agreement is capacity development, identifying areas of collaboration include data integration, developing the concept of core data for geospatial and statistical communities, promoting easier access to data, and developing wider communication networks.
- In December the collaboration agreement between UN-GGIM: Europe and UNECE was renewed for a further two years until the end of 2022.



# Strategic areas for future collaboration

UN-GGIM: Europe and the UNECE Secretariat have identified the following strategic areas as priorities for future collaboration, which are in line with the latest directions of work from the UN-GGIM Committee at global level:

- Geospatial information for Sustainable Development
- Building networks and promoting communication
- Integration of geospatial, statistical and other information, including capacity development
- Involvement of other UNECE work programmes



# Some key activities

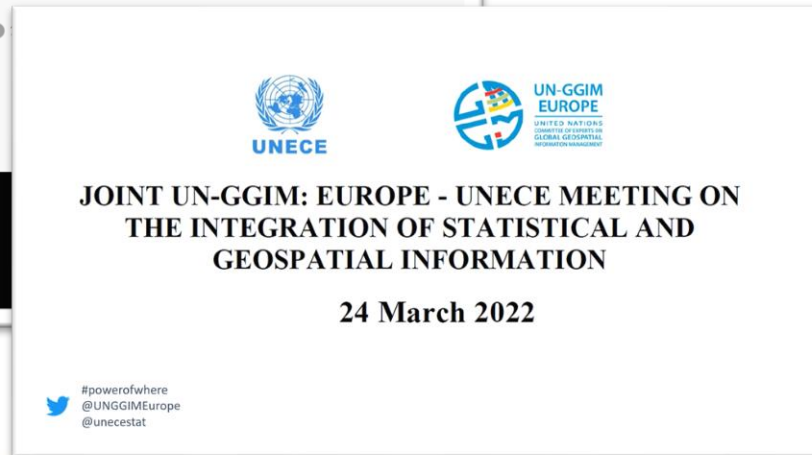
UN-GGIM: Europe actively participated in the following events:

- EuroGEO Week, September 2021
- Talking Heads Webinar for NMCA Heads (with EuroGeographics), January 2022
- Webinar on Data Integration (EuroGeographics & UN-GGIM: Europe), 24 February 2022
- Joint UN-GGIM: Europe – UNECE Meeting, 24 March
- Kick-off meetings of the UN-GGIM: Europe Workplan 2021
- Deep dive roundtable on PPP, GWF2022 May 2022



# Joint UN-GGIM: Europe – UNECE

- The [eighth edition of the Joint UN-GGIM: Europe – UNECE](#) meeting, traditionally hosted by Eurostat in Luxembourg City was organised, for the second time, as a virtual event in March 2022.



- 100 Representatives from European Statistical and Mapping Authorities gathered online to follow the progress of the work being carried out by the region's statistical and geospatial communities.
- The meeting was jointly organised together with UNECE.





# Deep dive roundtable on PPP

Public Private Partnership (co-organized by UNGGIM-Europe and co-hosted by UN-GGIM PSN) at GWF2022

- The roundtable brought together leaders from public agencies and industry to discuss the innovations in partnership help deliver next-gen infrastructure and services. The points of discussion included:
  - financing and business model around PPP
  - identifying the merits and risks of P3 delivery structures and appropriate project delivery models



# Contribution to UN-GGIM Activities

- UN-GGIM: Europe aligns the tasks of the Working Group on Data Integration towards providing a European input to the IAEG-SDGs WGGI
- Nominated four members from UN-GGIM: Europe to represent the region at the High-Level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (HLG-IGIF)
- Support the process to strengthen geospatial information management and proposed report of the Committee of Experts to be submitted to the 2022 ECOSOC Session



# Annual sessions of the Committee of Experts



- UN-GGIM: Europe getting ready to actively participate in the Annual Session of the Committee of Experts
- Regional report will be submitted this week, and we will organise UN-GGIM: Europe side event as usual
- All agenda items on the agenda were brought before the Committee of Experts, key items include: IGIF, GGRF & GGCE, data for SDGs and the Strengthening Institutional Arrangements on Geospatial Information Management



# Future Events

- Twelfth Session of UN-GGIM, New York, 1 – 5 August 2022
- FIG Working Week, Warsaw, 11 – 15 September 2022
- 15th European Forum for Geography and Statistics Conference, 2022
- INSPIRE Conference, 2022 *tbc*
- 2nd UN World Geospatial Information Congress 2022, Hyderabad India, 10-14 Oct 2022



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