Eurostat: Update on latest activities

10th Joint UN-GGIM: Europe - ESS - UNECE Meeting on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information

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Overview

- Collaboration within Eurostat & the European Commission
- Collaboration within the European Statistical System (ESS) / EU Member States
- Cooperation with international organisations / associations
GISCO team – Role and main tasks

- Permanent service of the European Commission (Eurostat)
- Collect, validate and provide **reference geographical information** and related services for use within Eurostat, the European Commission, and to the European citizens at large
  - Infrastructure and tools, relevant geospatial data
- **Answer the needs** of the European Commission, Eurostat and – to some extent – of the Member States **for geographical information** at the level of the European Union, its Member States and regions
  - Specialized resources, guidance and training, thematic mapping/data and spatial analysis
- Contribute to, and coordinate, the work in the European Statistical System on the **integration of statistical and geospatial information**
GISCO ecosystem / stakeholders

- European Commission
- EUROSTAT
- GISCO
- International bodies & fora
  [UN-GGIM, UNECE, EFGS, EuroGeographics…]
- ESS / EU MS
- Other EU Institutions and bodies
Collaboration with international organisations / associations
• EG-ISGI (Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information)
  • Developed the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework (GSGF) to facilitate the integration of statistical and geospatial information
  • Overarching framework IGIF (Integrated Geospatial Information Framework)
• IAEG-SDGs WGGI (Working Group on Geospatial Information of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the Sustainable Development Goal Indicators)
UNGGIM: Europe

• Member of the Executive Committee

• Following and contributing to the work of its working groups (e.g. EG-ISGI, Line of work on Data Integration and on SDGs): webinar series
  • “Data integration in Europe – challenges, findings, added value and cost savings” – chaired by Eurostat (15 March 2023)
  • “United Nations Geospatial Network Data Hub: “One UN Geospatial Situation Room”” – chaired by Eurostat (15 November 2023)

• Support to the organization / financing of the UNGGIM: Europe Plenary meetings

• Regular exchanges at technical and management level
Further international collaboration

• UNECE
  • Member of the Task Team on geospatial information

• EFGS – European Forum for Geography and Statistics
  • Observer in its Steering Committee
  • Supporting the work of the EFGS including the EFGS conferences
  • Foster the integration of statistics and geospatial information in a European context
Thank you

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European Forum for Geography and Statistics 2024 Conference

Location: Slovenia, Brdo pri Kranju
Date: 10-12 December 2024
Hosted by: Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia & Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia
Green and Digital Transition
EFGS formal & social

EFGS Assembly
Lars H. Backer Award
Gala dinner
Social evening in Ljubljana