

Report from UN-GGIM: Europe Working Group on the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF)



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Work Plan – 5 ‘lines of work’

Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

- supports the regional representatives on the HLG-IGIF, provide the views of the European Region as the IGIF matures, and consider activities which will benefit members of UN-GGIM: Europe.

Global Geodetic Reference Frames

- Aligns and support the UN-GGIM Subcommittee on Geodesy's priorities for the Global Geodetic Reference Frame, and to translate them into actions relevant for UN-GGIM: Europe

Data Integration

- Explore ways to contribute and support activities promoting geospatial and statistical data integration, including reinforcing the involvement of the EO community

Sustainable Development Goals

- Maintain the active contribution of UN-GGIM: Europe on showcasing the added value of integrating geospatial data with other data to address SDG indicators

Data Strategy and Policy

- contribute to the development of relevant policy and data strategies regarding the management and use of geospatial data to maximise its value in addressing the challenges of a green, sustainable and digital Europe



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UN-GGIM: Europe UN-IGIF Working Group

The UN-IGIF has quickly become the 'umbrella framework' for the activities of UN-GGIM.

Many of the existing frameworks and global expert and working groups relate to the UN-IGIF.

This line of work supports the regional interests on the HLG-IGIF, provide the views of the European Region as the UN-IGIF matures, and consider activities which will benefit members of UN-GGIM: Europe.

Aim and expected outcomes

- Actively promote the UN-IGIF as a tool and an evaluation system for MS, especially those that already have national frameworks in place.
- Support MS to develop their capabilities and build capacity in country especially enabling them to evaluate and assess the relevance of the UN-IGIF.



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The wider context

Overview

- **98/193 (51%)** Member States responded to the survey.
- **31/46 (67%)** UN-GGIM EUROPE
- **23/35 (66%)** UN-GGIM AMERICAS
- **24/47 (51%)** UN-
- **16/52 (31%)** UN-
- **4/13 (31%)** UN-
- **100%** of the countries heard about the IGIF



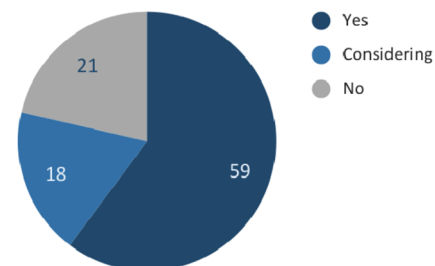
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INTEGRATED GEOSPATIAL
INFORMATION FRAMEWORK

Enabling a better future with location data

Are you using or implementing the UN-IGIF?

Are you considering using or implementing soon?

60% (59 countries) are using or implementing the UN-IGIF



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UN-GGIM: Europe IGIF Working Group

Our Working Group began in November 2022.

Members come from across our region.

Albania

Ireland

Armenia

Italy

Belarus

Poland

United Kingdom

Belgium

Finland

Germany

Sweden

EuroGeographics

ESRI

ConsultingWhere

EuroSDR

Don't be afraid to volunteer!



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Work plan outline

Deliverable 1: Expert contributions

- Promote regional experts by contributing experts to global tasks
- Support the European representatives on the HLG-IGIF

Deliverable 2: Avoid duplication

- Make sure regional activities support global plans
- Global outputs should be transferrable into UN-GGIM: Europe

Deliverable 3: Share knowledge

- Act as a convening body for UN-GGIM: Europe
- Host knowledge share events such as webinars or seminars

Deliverable 4: Promote regional successes

- Provide Regional case studies.
- Support Member States to develop Country-level Action Plans



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Webinar Series

Deliverable 1: Expert
contributions

Deliverable 3: Share
Knowledge

Deliverable 4: Promote
regional successes



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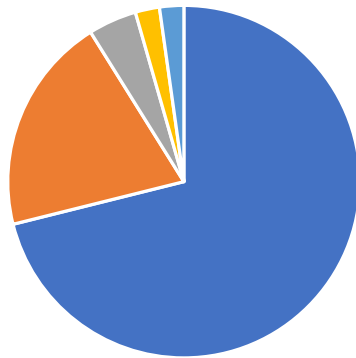
Our first webinar

The first webinar focused on an introduction to the UN-IGIF.

85 Delegates attended.

38 Countries were represented.

Regional attendees

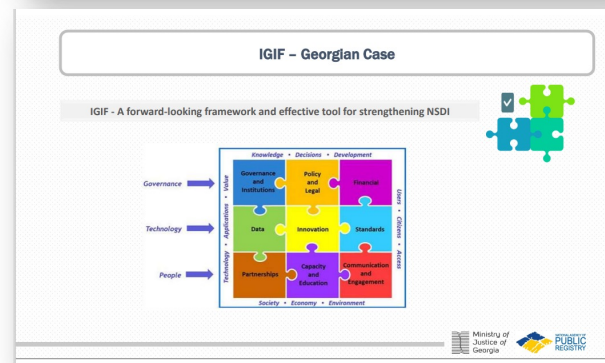


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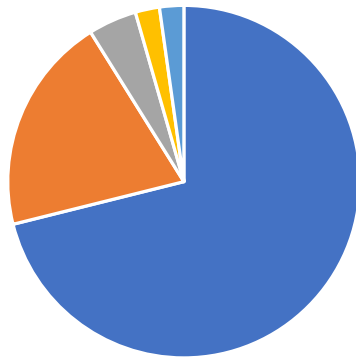
Our second webinar

The first webinar focused on an introduction to the UN-IGIF.

77 Delegates attended.

44 Countries were represented.

Regional attendees



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Part 1

Welcome note & introduction (10min)

Presentation 1:
World Bank methodology for
CAP development (20min)

Presentation 2:
UN-GGIM Country-led 16-
step approach to CAP
development (20min)

Coffee break
(10min)

Part 2

Parallel session 1:
Funding UN-IGIF
implementation
(30min)

Parallel session 2:
UN-IGIF to complement
existing spatial data
frameworks (30min)

Parallel session 3:
What should I do
first to start using
the UN-IGIF (30min)

Key takeaways from
parallel sessions
(15min)

Conclusions and
wrap-up
(5min)

Webinar discussion outcomes

Coordinating between geospatial agencies within countries can be difficult but it is essential to enable a coordinated approach.

The recurring theme was how do we get to the people who actually have the money – the decision makers within government and overseas aid agencies.

Within Europe there is already a lot of work that has been done in relation to spatial data infrastructures, but IGIF still has a place in helping to identify and then fill any gaps that may exist. As such it is still a useful tool for everyone.



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Supporting the HLG-IGIF

Deliverable 1: Expert contributions

Deliverable 2: Avoid duplication

Deliverable 4: Promote regional successes

Communication

- Participate in Regional Working Group coordination meeting.

Capacity Development

- Leading the translation of UN-IGIF into more languages (Arabic, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian, Spanish)
- Supporting the analysis of the global consultation on UN-IGIF adoption

Mobilizing Financing

- Supporting the group to establish and contributing to initial work plan.



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Updates to our Work Plan

1. Continue to understand the uptake and use of the UN-IGIF across UN-GGIM Europe
2. Creation of relevant blogs, webinars, and other thought-leadership pieces to continue our outreach and engagement activities.
3. Working closely with other UN-IGIF Regional Working Groups to maximise impact.

Deliverable 1:
Expert
contributions

Deliverable 2:
Avoid Duplication

Deliverable 3:
Share Knowledge

Deliverable 4:
Promote regional
successes



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Next steps

- Help us share the benefits of investing and strengthening national geospatial capabilities through the implementation and adoption of the UN-IGIF.
- Please consider joining the working group and contributing to our activities.



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Thank you for listening.
We hope you continue your UN-IGIF journey!



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Happy to take any questions.

