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# GEOSTAT 4 Project Meeting, 13 March

Venue/time:

On-line meeting, 13 March 2020, 12-14 CET.

**Participants** 

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# The purpose of the meeting

A monthly GEOSTAT4 project group meeting to review the situation of the work packages and to inform members on ongoing matters.

# Agenda and notes

### Draft Notes of the kick-off meeting

The draft notes of the kick-off meeting were shared to be discussed and reviewed. It was noted that the dates of the workshop in Vienna on May as well as the EFGS2020 conference are changed. The workshop may be cancelled or changed to be arranged online due to the Covid-19.

The EFGS2020 conference will take place on the 10 and 12 November 2020.

# Teams platform

## Situation, Jennika

The current situation is that most of the GEOSTAT4 members are able to access the Teams. The colleagues from France and Germany can't access it from their working computers but in France the members have a special computer they can use to work in Teams. The German colleagues can access the Teams from their personal computers.

Nikolaos still have difficulties to access to Teams so it was agreed that Jennika sends him a link to a file in Teams to test is it possible to open them that way.

### First experiences, all

Jerker noted that for them all works well but if everyone can't access the teams properly and for some members the documents need to send via email, it will be confusing and not very practical.



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Franck asked what is the reason the users need to inform their telephone numbers when logging in to Teams? Jennika will ask this from the support.

## Getting started - work of the WPs

WP-1. Antti

Antti informed that the work to describe the stakeholders has started and he will send more precise plans of the other tasks on the next week. Antti told that related work is done in two other groups. The UN GGIM Sub-Group on Data Integration Methods is collecting best practice cases for integrating statistics and geospatial information and UNECE HLG-MOS Geospatial task team examines how to complement the GSBPM from a geospatial perspective.

Antti asked other participants to inform about their willingness to participate on the WP1 tasks as well as which standards they are interested to work with.

### Comments:

Jerker: For SE the task 1.1.1 is suitable, it has connections to WP2.

Marianne: NO is interested in the task 1.1.3 and standards GSBPM and GSIM.

Arnaud: For FR also the task 1.1.3 and CSPA.

Anna: PO task 1.1.3 and GSBPM. About the task 1.1.4, they will get back later. Ana: PT is interested at least about GSBPM and will get back later about the other standards.

WP-2, Jerker

Work plan has been specified and some working days allocated to other countries, so Jerker welcomes any comments for them. Also if any interest is found for some specific tasks, Jerker asks to comment to him after the meeting.

The survey for GISCO group has been released and everyone in the GEOSTAT4 has as well received it. Jerker reminds that everyone should answer it. Also the Menti questionnaire will be arranged in the GISCO online meeting.

The Finnish Mapping Agency is starting to plan the TJS PoC. SE, NSO FI and possibly NO will participate. All other interested in this can sign up to Jerker and he will arrange a meeting.

#### Comments:

Rina: Does TJS have a link to Statistics as a Service? Does the TJS implement it? Jerker: Not very strong link, Statistics as a Service is more generic, TJS more specific.

Marianne: The IT of NSO NO could work with the Stat as a Service, but how to involve them?

Jerker: When this work properly starts, a meeting could be arranged to talk about details and how and when they could participate. Meanwhile NO could specify suitable tasks for the IT of NSO NO.

Rina: A special announcement: the Finnish Health Organization has been contacted and they will rearrange their participation due to personnel changes GEOSTAT4.



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## WP-3, Ingrid

There is a meeting next week to start working with QAF. At the kick-of in Helsinki there was a discussion with Timo from NLS FI if any comments from that direction.

#### Comments:

Timo: Has not yet been able to discuss about this work in NLS FI but will get back through Teams.

Jörn: Sends the name of contact person for NLS NO to be added to Teams. Ingrid: The plans for workshop in Vienna is now interrupted because of the virus. Rina: The workshop could be moved to autumn or kept as online workshop. Jerker: We have the days on May already booked so the online workshop could utilise them.

WP-4, Anna

Webpages for the GEOSTAT4 project has been released to inform about the main tasks of this project. There is also a platform to publish official documents of the project. Work on the EFGS 2020 conference website is ongoing.

WP-5, Amelia, Hanna

Anna: The conference plans have been sent to the EFGS steering committee to be considered. Suggestions for the motto and logo have also been sent to the steering committee. Still waiting for their comments. As notes earlier, tohe EFGS2020 conference will be held 10-12 November 2020.

Kathrin: For the EFGS2021 conference the venue has been chosen and will soon be reserved.

WP-6, Igor

The office is closed now, so the work has been halted. Hopefully on the April it is possible to continue.

## Mapping of Stakeholders and needs for further elaboration, Rina & Antti

The excel sheet for stakeholders were presented in the kick-of and now there is already information. Rina asks participant to check the excel table and complement it. This table can be utilised when figuring out groups relevant to GEOSTAT4 work. Roles for those groups should be described to be able to understand what they do and the relationships between each other. If any groups are missing, everybody are invited to complement the table. An update column will be added to signify if something was changed.

Nikos mentioned about UNECE HLG-MOS Geospatial Task Team discussions where the work of GEOSTAT 2 and 3 had been brought up besides the development of GSBPM. It is good to hear that previous exercises are acknowledged. Antti noted that should the GSBPM work in WP1 put to hold and wait what is coming from other task forces in UNECE. It was discussed that the SDG Indicator related development work has been excluded from the GEOSTAT 4 work originally by Eurostat. However, SDGs need the GSGF Europe infrastructure in order to function.



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NSO FI members will go through the fast track ideas from the kick-of and drive them forward. Then they will be sent to others for comments.

# GISCO (Webex) Meeting

Project presentation, Rina

Questionnaire& Benchmarking workshop, Jerker & Karin

Nikos: it is not yet clear is it possible to arrange GISCO as Webex meeting at all. There are many participants that are not able to access video meetings. It is more likely that the meeting is cancelled and will be held as physical meeting sometime later. For GEOSTAT4 could maybe be arranged some written consultation if needed?

Jerker: This sounds problematic. The project was expecting a lot of input from GISCO meeting. This makes answering in the survey even more important.

### Other Issues

Next project meeting on 16 April.