



United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Statistical Division

Standardisation and Capacity Development to Support the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information

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Context

❖ Partnerships:



❖ UN-ECOSOC Resolutions

- “importance of strengthening capacity-building in the area of geospatial information management and relevant statistical integration”
- “try to mobilize additional resources”

Views of heads of NSOs / NMCAs

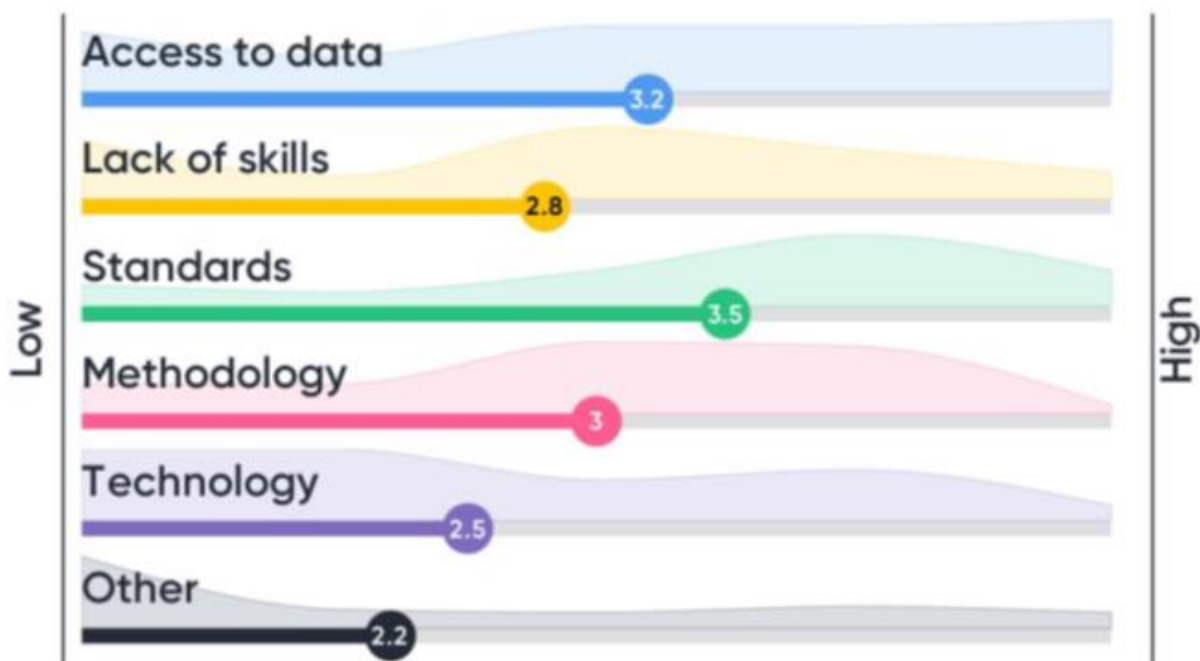


What are the main barriers to greater collaboration?



Views of experts

What are the biggest challenges for integrating statistical and geospatial data?





Eurostat Grant

- ❖ Title: Supporting the integration of geospatial and statistical data across the UNECE region
- ❖ “foster stronger links between the statistical and geospatial communities across the UNECE region”
- ❖ “encouraging greater integration of geospatial and statistical information by promoting stronger institutional partnerships and the use of common standards”



Project Details

- ❖ October 2022 – April 2024
- ❖ Beneficiary countries:
 - Standards work - All countries
 - Capacity development:
Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

Expected Impacts

- ❖ Increased awareness of the need for more integration of geospatial and statistical data in beneficiary countries
- ❖ Better understanding of the limitations of current geospatial and statistical data standards in the context of data integration
- ❖ Improved collaboration between the geospatial and statistical communities, based on greater mutual awareness and understanding

Selected Results (1)

- ❖ Description of the main obstacles to further integration of geospatial and statistical data, and solutions proposed for overcoming them
- ❖ Identification of areas where data integration is hampered by the lack of common standards / priorities for standards harmonisation work
- ❖ Organization of on-line training workshops, etc
- ❖ Joint groups with relevant partners to improve the interoperability of statistical and geospatial information



Selected Results (2)

- ❖ Joint UNECE / Eurostat / UN-GGIM: Europe Workshop on Integrating Statistical and Geospatial Data in 2023, with financial support for beneficiary countries
- ❖ Support the participation of delegates from beneficiary countries to the 2023 EFGS Conference
- ❖ Public methodological guidelines to support country implementation of the recommended actions



Where are we now?

- ❖ Getting support of Bureau of Conference of European Statisticians - **Done**
- ❖ Recruiting project manager – **Very close!**
- ❖ Gathering feedback on obstacles to data integration – **In progress**
- ❖ Renewing collaboration agreement with UN-GGIM: Europe – **By the end of 2022**



How to get involved?

- ❖ Sign up for mailing list
- ❖ Volunteer to join some activities
 - Experts on standards needed!
- ❖ Come to our events!

- ❖ Contact (for now): steven.vale@un.org



Thank-you for your attention