

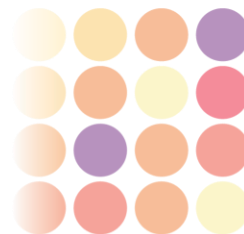
EUROPEAN FORUM FOR
GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS



EFGS Activities

Joint UNECE - UN-GGIM: Europe - ESS Meeting

25 March 2026, Luxembourg



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Past activities - EFGS 2025 Conference (1)

Trusted data, in changing Europe



Past activities - EFGS 2025 Conference (2)



Organisation:

- Oslo (Norway), from 24th to 25th September 2025
+ 23th September as a pre-conference day with 10 workshops
- Hosted by Statistics Norway and the Norwegian Mapping Authority
- In collaboration with the EFGS Steering Committee (Programme Committee) and Eurostat
- Around 180 participants & more than 40 speakers
- Lars H. Backer Prize 2025 awarded to Rina Tammisto (Statistics Finland)

Conference programme with presentations and videos: [[link](#)]



23-25 September 2025

**European Forum
for Geography and Statistics**

Oslo, Norway



Past activities - EFGS 2025 Conference (2)



General Assembly

- Organisational matters mostly remain the same
- The EFGS 2026 conference will have a high-level profile, which requires starting to engage with key high-level and relevant stakeholders
- Involve the EU parliament, as geospatial data is increasingly recognised as important for policy and decision-making issues
- Reach out to high-level stakeholders, preferably six months before the conference, to fit their agendas
- EARSC's availability to support the dissemination and communication of the conference
- Need to have more representatives from NMCA's in the EFGS
- Funding/budget solutions for small expenses



2026 Activities



- **Participation and contribution of GSGF-CARE and EFGS**
 - 11-13 Feb. 2026: Workshop on Geospatial Information Management Arrangements and the Wider Integrated Data Ecosystem, Vienna, Austria
 - 10 March 2026: GSGF-CARE webinar: Maturity of Statistical–Geospatial Integration: Where Do You Stand?
- **Organisation of the EFGS 2026 Conference**
 - High-level profile
 - Programme Committee involving the EFGS Steering Committee
 - Motto: “Geo-enabling the future”



Current and ongoing EFGS Activities



- **Support the GSGF-CARE project**
 - Support the actions for capacity building and capability development
 - Provide inputs for the terminology work (cross-domain glossary)
 - Review of the Good Practice Cases and Req&Rec
 - Organisation of the EFGS conferences
- **High-level strategic support and insights**
 - High-level support group
 - The CES call for voting - discussed to agree on a GEO topic
 - CES June Geneva – SL will lead a GEO session



Current and ongoing EFGS Activities (2)



- **Maintenance and management of the EFGS Website**
 - New host
 - Cross-checking information and updating it, if necessary (keep national contacts á-jour)
 - Remove old contents > a website more clean
 - Change website setting (e.g., rename or delete some sections)
 - Changes in the 'About EFGS' and 'Projects' sections
 - Include post-GEOSTAT projects (e.g., GEOS projects)
 - More publications and events announced



Thank you for your attention

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