1. The process of incorporating the UK Charity is well underway. The Co-Chairs of the GWG have written to UK Companies House to support the incorporation of the GPI as an Institute, as the term Institute has special meaning in UK Company Law.

2. In addition to Heather Savory, two further trustees will be the founding trustees for the GPI. They are:
   • John Taysom [https://www.linkedin.com/in/johntaysom/] who has agreed to be the founding Chairman; and,
   • Carol Tullo [https://www.linkedin.com/in/carol-tullo-4225753/] who has agreed to be a Trustee.

   John and Carol have a good set of skills to help build the GPI and we are very grateful to them both for agreeing to be trustees.

3. Articles of Association for the GPI have been drafted by lawyers and agreed by the trustees. The objects of the Charity are for the public benefit to:
   • advance education including without limitation in subjects relating to the development, scope, nature and content of official statistics and indicators, the more general use and application of data to discover economic and social insights for public benefit and to promote research in such subjects provided the useful results of such research are published;
   • promote sustainable development by supporting the development of official statistics and indicators in relation to sustainable development specifically and the more general use and application of data to discover insights relevant to sustainable development, in each case in order to promote sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration;
   • promote compliance with the law and ethical standards of conduct, including without limitation by encouraging the adoption and application of high standards of ethics and conduct with respect to the use and application of data;
   • advance any other complementary charitable purposes concerning the use and application of data by governments, national statistical bodies and other users of data.

4. Remembering that as a registered UK Charity the GPI is under the direction of its’ trustees United Nations Statistical Commission oversight has been set out in the GPI Articles of Association as follows:
   • A Nominations Committee will be set up to appoint further Trustees in the future. The Nominations Committee will consider any candidates suggested to it by the United Nations Statistical Commission. (We will want to appoint an international mix of Trustees.)
   • The United Nations Statistical Commission may appoint an Observer to the GPI Board, at the discretion of the Directors.

5. Once the GPI has been incorporated at Companies House an application for Charitable Status will be submitted to the Charity Commission.

6. As we have previously agreed a formal agreement will be put in place between the UN/GWG and the GPI, once the GPI is a legal entity.
Note for GWG Bureau on progress setting up the Global Platform Institute (GPI)

7. A detailed business plan and funding proposal for is being drafted for the GPI. Discussions with potential funders/donors will start soon. The GPI needs quite substantial funding to allow it to grow quickly to achieve the critical resources it needs to support the Global Platform, growth in the platform ecosystem and ongoing technical development. Raising the necessary funds may be quite challenging.

8. If any of the GWG has questions or suggestions as to sources of funding for the GPI please contact Heather (heather.savory@officialstatistics.org).

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