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United Nations Statistical Commission

Global Working Group on Big Data for Official Statistics

GWG Bureau meeting

Eighth meeting – 27 June 2018, 09:00 EST

By e-mail exchange

Minutes

Participants

Denmark	Niels Ploug (Chair), Maciej Truszczynski
UK	Mark Craddock, Rabia Mirza, Rob Bumpstead, Gavin Phillips
Colombia	Jennifer ? Daniel ?
UAE	Hatem El Sherif, Latifa Alshehhi
UNSD	Ronald Jansen, Karoly Kovacs, Ivo Havinga, Michael Smedes, Catheryn Tajon

Agenda

Agenda item (1)	Minutes of Meeting 8
Agenda item (2)	TOR and profiles for advisory group and its members
Agenda item (3)	UN World Data Forum – GWG day on 21 October 2018
Agenda item (4)	Position paper on partnerships of GWG with private sector
Agenda item (5)	Projects for Proof of Concept
Agenda item (6)	Other Business

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AGENDA ITEM (1) – MINUTES OF MEETING 8

The GWG Bureau had no comments and thus agreed with the minutes. The minutes will be posted on the GWG website.

AGENDA ITEM (2) – PROFILE OF EXPERTS FOR ADVISORY GROUP

Nominations for experts should be presented to the bureau. Niels and Ronald to follow up.

AGENDA ITEM (3) – OPEN GWG DAY AT UN WORLD DATA FORUM

The organizing committee for this pre-event consists of UAE (Hatem and Latifa), Denmark (Niels), Colombia (Angelica), UK (Jane Harris, Valery and Gavin), and UNSD (Ronald, Karoly, Catheryn). Further details will be worked out shortly.

AGENDA ITEM (4) – POSITION PAPER ON PARTNERSHIPS OF GWG WITH PRIVATE SECTOR

Statistics Canada (Sylvie) will make the first draft of the paper, which will be reviewed by Niels, Rob (ONS), Matjaz (Netherlands) and Ronald.

AGENDA ITEM (5) – PROOF OF CONCEPT – GWG PROJECTS

Meanwhile meetings have been held with Microsoft's Tech for Social Impact team, and it was agreed to draft scoping proposals for the following projects:

- ➡ Measuring human mobility (using mobile phone and social media data) in Georgia with EU-JRC, ITU, Eurostat, UNSD, Positium and Geostat Georgia
- ➡ Measuring human mobility (using mobile phone and social media data) in Indonesia with EU-JRC, ITU, Eurostat, UNSD, Positium and BPS Indonesia
- ➡ Agriculture crop and yield statistics in Poland and Canada with Statistics Poland, Statistics Canada, FAO and UNSD
- ➡ Measuring land cover and land cover change with FAO, UNSD, maybe Statistics Canada and Statistics Netherlands

AGENDA ITEM (6) – OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was brought up.