Current Composition

- 16 national representatives who are subject matter experts from 15 Member States.
- 7 experts representing the United Nations System and international organizations
- Co-Chaired by Mexico (INEGI) and Sweden (Statistics Sweden)

Meetings

- Third Meeting, Kunming, 6 – 8 May 2017
  - Attended by 18 of the 23 members, invited resource persons, national experts and the Secretariat
  - The principal issue relates to data availability, in particular -
    - a) What and where are the useable data, especially satellite imageries;
    - b) Demonstrating availability and useability of these data;
    - c) How to contribute and work with custodian agencies.
Meetings

- WebEx Meeting, 5 October 2017
  - Deliberated on a draft work plan for 2017/2018 and the provisional agenda for the fourth meeting
  - Working Group will leverage e-meeting facilities from now on and plan to have regular WebEx meetings to co-ordinate and progress its activities and tasks.

- Fourth Meeting, UNHQ New York, 6 – 8 December 2017

Issues and considerations

- Data availability remains one of the primary challenge before the Working Group, the issue of availability of “Production ready” data
Issues and considerations

- Need for consideration on capacity development?
  - national statistical systems having the capability and capacity in the production and integration approaches for geo-statistical information

- Working with and contributing to the work of the Custodian agencies
  - address data sources and data availability

- Disaggregation according the geographic location
  - disaggregation of national statistical data is considerably strengthened through the lens of geospatial information

- These identified issues and gaps will be addressed at the 4th meeting of the Working Group