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**Reports on achievements in geographic information in
addressing national, regional and global issues,
including: Geospatial data collection, management
and dissemination**

**The spatial data infrastructure is a sustainable development
priority in the Republic of Guinea**

(Submitted by Guinea)**

Summary

The need for spatial data, both in reviewing, evaluating and managing resources and the environment and in preparing and coordinating the paths to sustainable development which will help the country resolve its socio-economic problems, has become essential. The national spatial data network in Guinea will take into account the gains made from past and present endeavours and those planned for the future. It will draw on the projects and technical services of ministerial departments and private and non-governmental bodies. With regard to training, it will aim to strengthen the country's institutional capacities and give decision makers basic knowledge about geocoded information and its use. This will make it possible for the producers and users of geographic information to use and exchange data easily and efficiently.

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