Comments/Suggestions for Statistical Commission 49th Session

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3(e) Items for discussion and decision: big data for official statistics

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2/1	The Statistical Commission created the Global Working Group (GWG) on Big Data for Official Statistics at its 45th session in 2014. In accordance with its terms of reference ¹ and Decision 46/101 (iii) ² , the GWG provides strategic vision, direction and the	The GWG should not only provide strategic vision, direction and the coordination, but also develop roadmaps or recommendation roadmaps. Thus, stakeholders can refer to this roadmap as a path way to utilize big data for official statistics.
	coordination of a global programme on Big Data for official statistics, including for compilation of the SDG indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.	
2/3	In this report, the GWG responds to the request made by the Commission and presents the progress with the business case and proof of concept for a GWG platform of trusted data, trusted methods, trusted partners and trusted learning supported by core services, which will enable and advance the work of the GWG task teams.	In line with the recommendation in "A World that Counts" report, We need to enlarge the discussion group member and engage universities (academicians). Big data is emerging and this is a new magnet for university researchers. By involving the researchers, we can accelerate the process to reach our goals, which are academically proved.
4/ 13	In the illustration of Figure 1, the Data Policy Framework of the GWG platform is meant for datagovernance and information management and consists of a set of rules and regulations under which the GWG platform must operate in storing, processing and disseminating information4. Following these ruleswill reduce the risks associated with inconsistently managed information, which will, in turn, reduce thecost of handling these risks and allow for increased	At the introduction of one data policy in Indonesia, the president gives mandates to BPS as the only official statistical data source in Indonesia. Since statistics cover many areas, BPS must ensure the data is well managed. Therefore, BPS implements a standard in data governance and management. In 2018 data governance management are compiled and reviewed for later defined and implemented. This initiative relates to governance and management.

	flexibility in a changing technology and information	
	environment over time.	
5-6/22-24	 22. This task team has finalized the first full draft of its Handbook on the use of mobile phone data for official statistics, which describes in detai applications, data sources and methods. The Handbook also includes partnership business models between national statistical offices and mobile operators for access to the mobile phone data and concludes with two country cases from France and Indonesia. The Handbook will be reviewed by the GWG advisory group on scientific matters before release on the public website of the GWG. 23. Prior to the Big Data Conference and on behalf of the GWG two data scientists from Positium, and the GWG two data scientists from Positium and the provide the GWG two data scientists from Positium and the provide the two provides the provide	 data source for Tourism Statistics in border area where there is no immigration check point since October 2016. BPS Statistics Indonesia has contributed in UN Mobile Positioning Data Task Team and in drafting and commenting of the Handbook of the Use of Mobile Positioning data. BPS Statistics Indonesia (will) have Memorandum of Understanding with one of the biggest Mobile Network Operator (MNO) in order to obtain access on raw data of mobile positioning and other big data (facebook, twitter, etc). In collaboration with Ministry of Tourism and with the help of Positium Experts (Estonia) BPS Statistics Indonesia has developed draft of Methodological Handbook and QAF for the Use of Mobile Positioning Data for Inbound Tourism Statistics and plan to develop methodology and QAF
	 private sector intermediary, and one statistical methodologist from Eurostat conducted a workshop on the use of mobile phone data for official statistics for about 25 participants from national and international statistical institutes. The workshop used materials based on projects with mobile operators across the EU, Middle East, and Indonesia, resulting in the analysis of mobile data from 11 countries. 24. The trainers elaborated on the technical details or data preparation, data processing, data modelling using hands-on examples, such as applications to model population movement, migration patterns mobility, displacement due to diseases, tourism and real-time crowd mapping. Data related to these areas can be collected very quickly, in some cases in real-time, from the mobile phone operators. Access 	 Also in collaboration with MoT will improve and revise the methodology of inbound tourism with the help from Positium. In collaboration with Ministry of Tourism, BPS Statistics Indonesia plan to do the national hands-on training. The training will be based on (refer to) the training developed by the GWG which delivered in Bogota but will use Indonesia data. BPS Statistics Indonesia also has applied to join the second phase of ITU Project on Big Data for Measuring the Information Society. Basically, BPS Statistics Indonesia supports Big Data as other data source for official statistics and for statistical analysis. Also, BPS Statistics support the existence of GWG on Big Data, so mutual learning among countries is encouraged. BPS Statistics Indonesia support the Handbook of the Use of Mobile Phone Data for Official Statistics. The existence of the Handbook is very important, it can be used as manual and reference for countries that will

	to the data varies from country to country based on	detail applications, data sources, data access, methods and quality
	different legal and political frameworks. The workshop concluded with a discussion on possible	assurance. BPS Statistics Indonesia supports the workshop and hands on training of
	roadmaps for embedding the use of mobile phone	the use of mobile phone data for official statistics which was stated in
	data into the official statistics of the participating	Bogota and suggests more training or workshop on mobile phone use for
F /22	countries.	other specific statistics
5/22	This task team has finalized the first full draft of its	Since 2016 BPS Statistics Indonesia together with the Ministry of Tourism
	Handbook on the use of mobile phone data for official statistics, which describes in detail applications, data	has been using Mobile Positioning Data (MPD) in the calculation of overseas tourists. The method has earned the support and appreciation
	sources and methods. The Handbook also includes	from WTO. By the end of 2017, the audit of tourist counting methods has
	partnership business models between national	been carried out with the assistance of Positium, as one of the inputs for
	statistical offices and mobile operators for access to	quality assurance of the method used. The use of MPD in 2018 is expanded
	the mobile phone data and concludes with two country	to calculate domestic tourists and their movements, which were
	cases from France and Indonesia. The Handbook will be	previously conducted through a semi-annual survey.
	reviewed by the GWG advisory group on scientific	
	matters before release on the public website of the	
	GWG.	
5/22	This task team has finalized the first full draft of its	After public release, the Handbook need to be reviewed first by statistical
	Handbook on the use of mobile phone data for official	offices. One way of reviewing the book is by conducting the whole
	statistics, which describes in detail applications, data	processes written in the book in a different project. As an example, the use
	sources and methods. The Handbook also includes	of mobile phone data on official statistics for the case of Indonesia is to
	partnership business models between national	produce statistics on tourism. It could be expanded to produce statistics
	statistical offices and mobile operators for access to	on mobility statistics (commuter) or other non-permanent mobility
	the mobile phone data and concludes with two country	statistics.
	cases from France and Indonesia. The Handbook will be	
	reviewed by the GWG advisory group on scientific	
	matters before release on the public website of the GWG.	
5/23	Prior to the Big Data Conference and on behalf of the	In the year 2018, the Ministry of tourism in cooperation with BPS will hold
5725	GWG two data scientists from Positium, a private	a workshop on the use of MPD, which is a continuation of a similar
	sector intermediary, and one statistical methodologist	workshop in Bogota in 2017, for data scientists in Indonesia. Through this
	from Eurostat conducted a workshop on the use of	workshop, it is expected that the use of MPD can be used in other studies
	mobile phone data for official statistics for about 25	related to demographic, economic, and even social issues.

	participants from national and international statistical	
	institutes. The workshop used materials based on	
	projects with mobile operators across the EU, Middle	
	East, and Indonesia, resulting in the analysis of mobile	
	data from 11 countries.	
5/23	Prior to the Big Data Conference and on behalf of the	The results of the analysis of mobile data from 11 countries need to be
	GWG two data scientists from Positium, a private	available for the public in order to improve the use of mobile phone data
	sector intermediary, and one statistical methodologist	for official statistics. The analysis also needs to incorporate current official
	from Eurostat conducted a workshop on the use of	statistics as a comparison to the statistics produced by mobile phone data.
	mobile phone data for official statistics for about 25	
	participants from national and international statistical	
	institutes. The workshop used materials based on	
	projects with mobile operators across the EU, Middle	
	East, and Indonesia, resulting in the analysis of mobile	
	data from 11 countries.	
6/24	The trainers elaborated on the technical details of data	The training on the technical details of business processes of mobile phone
	preparation, data processing, data modelling using	data usage needs to be continued to solve remaining problems related to
	hands-on examples, such as applications to model	the difference in the legal and political framework. Although the roadmaps
	population movement, migration patterns, mobility,	for embedding the use of mobile phone data into the official statistics have
	displacement due to diseases, tourism, and real-time	been established, the follow-up action needs to updated not only to
	crowd mapping. Data related to these areas can be	participating countries but also other countries.
	collected very quickly, in some cases in real-time, from	
	the mobile phone operators. Access to the data varies	
	from country to country based on different legal and	
	political frameworks. The workshop concluded with a	
	discussion on possible roadmaps for embedding the	
	use of mobile phone data into the official statistics of	
	the participating countries.	
6/26	Prior to the Big Data Conference and on behalf of the	Indonesia Statistical college in cooperation with Jakarta pulse lab has
	GWG, statisticians from INEGI Mexico andDANE	worked on commuters' statistics by utilizing twitter data.
	Colombia, and a data scientist from Statistics	
	Netherlands conducted a workshop with materials	
	based on projects covering mobility analyses,	

	sentiment analyses and subjective poverty measurement using mostly Twitter and Facebook data. The trainers explained the process of obtaining social media and web scraping data through APIs, the software and programming languages to clean and process the data, and the latest methodologies for data analytics, including machine learning.	
7-8/33-37	V. Outcome of the 4th International UN Conference on Big Data for Official Statistics	The theme of the conference was "trusted data collaboratives" to share, exchange and develop data, services and application for the modernization of national statistical systems. The terms modernization needs to be more elaborated by taking into account current condition of NSO's. The best practices of transforming a statistical office into a modern statistical office need to be clear. It is very important to provide a strong and comprehensive technical assistance from UN in order to achieve a modern statistical office.
7/34	(iii) the use of new Big Data sources and corresponding technologies, including data storage, data integration as well as machine learning and artificial intelligence.	BPS Statistics Indonesia has started to collect data on e-commerce, the results of which will be used to help the government introduce a policy on the industry. For the initial step, the BPS would focus on the data collection on certain business sectors including transportation, specialty stores, the marketplace and travel. The data collection had started in early January 2018 in cooperation with the Indonesian E-Commerce Association (idEA). The information to be collected included the businesses players, the turnovers of each firm, the products and also consumer behavior.
8/40	Statistics Denmark will oversee the GWG work programme of existing, expanding and setting up new task teams. The current management team consists mainly of the GWG task team leaders, led byStatistics Denmark as GWG chair. This team is now renamed the GWG Committee on Global Data collaboratives, given that the task teams are functioning as global data collaboratives. Statistics Denmark will be chair this GWG Committee. The existing GWG Committee on the Global Platform will continue its work under leadership	In our opinion based on the architecture (Figure 1), basically we can have minimum 3 sub GWG/team: governance & management, infrastructure and business case (MPD, satellite imaginary etc.). Each team will be advised by academic advisory board. Therefore, the team can focus on one area of discussion and it will relate to a specific academic field.

of ONS, UK. This Committee will gradually develop the
business case, proof ofconcept and communication for
the GWG platform, with a focus on its data and
technology framework across a federated network of
platforms. On a regular basis UNSD will inform the full
GWG membership about the developments led by both
GWG Committees.