

**Comments/Suggestions for Statistical Commission 50th Session
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3(b) Items for discussion and decision: fundamental principles of Official Statistics

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2019-5-FOC-FPOS-Open Data-E/page 3/par.9	<p>The second work stream was focused on open data in the context of the Fundamental Principles and comprised the following activities:</p> <p>(a) Mapping open data principles to the Fundamental Principles;</p> <p>(b) The development of a background document to synthesize existing open data work covering data interoperability, the implementation of open data practices and the anonymization of data for official statistics;</p> <p>(c) The analysis of other matters relating to the implementation of open data in official statistics, including legal frameworks, technical aspects and the capacities needed, also included in the background document.</p>	<p>It is believed that Open Data basically has contained values of fundamental principles of statistics especially for principles of equal access, accountability and transparency, national coordination, use of international standards. But, it is also necessary to ensure that open data assure the principle of confidentiality that is supported by national regulations, in this case is statistics law within a country. Therefore, it is suggested for each country to adapt the open data principle into statistical regulation which also will be able to strengthen the national statistical system.</p>