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We appreciate the achievements of the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) in the dissemination and use of official statistics and metadata and support the establishment of a data centre or hub. All along, the outstanding work of the UNSD on the presentation and dissemination of data and metadata has provided a good reference for data portals in various countries. For countries, in order to better realize the dissemination and use of data, it is essential to publish metadata to data users. We endorse the vision and direction of the new United Nations data portal. We also support the UNSD's plan to establish an inter-agency and expert mechanism.

It is recommended to more widely solicit opinions from countries that have established and operated data portals, so that more statisticians and data scientists can participate in various tasks, and actively explore new methods of data presentation and dissemination in the context of big data. At the same time, it is also recommended to further strengthen guidance, training and assistance to developing countries.

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