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Colombia would like to recognize the enormous effort made by the Statistical Division and other bodies of the United Nations evidenced in the report, particularly in relation to the development and launch of the World Data Platform on Indicators of the Sustainable Development Goals and the metadata work.

Colombia highlights the opportunity to open the door to innovations in both: sources of information and computation methods through the activities carried out in the framework of the D4N initiative. These innovation processes are motivated by the challenge of having sufficiently timely and disaggregated data to help monitor the progress in the goals of the 2030 Agenda. And at the end, all improvements achieved in the calculation of specific SDGs are gains to strengthen the capacity of the NSS to produce data -beyond SDGs. Moreover, the sustainability of the processes is key since D4N activities includes training programs and consulting services that meet the technical needs identified by DANE; said activities are intended to produce specific SDGs while capacity is built at different stages of the statistical production process.

In addition, Colombia highlights the need to establish quality assessment frameworks for non-traditional data sources and methods to facilitate the integration of these innovations on the statistical production. In Colombia, we have been able to publish the results of these innovations within the framework of Experimental Statistics, using a general criteria evaluation for the exercises conducted with non-traditional data sources and methods, however we recognize the challenge of upgrade those experimental statistics to the continuous production.

As members of the Data Collaborative, we would like to endorse the work that has being done by the collaborative and its members, highlighting the significant contribution that is made by the United Nations Statistics Division and the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data. Particularly, Colombia commends the efforts made allowing to identify new and innovative ways to work in the establishment of practical guidelines and exchange of knowledge allowing to harness the value of administrative data; this has been done through the introduction of the “expert clinics” under which following a request from a member a technical session is organized in which countries can exchange their insights and best practices. On the 14th of October, an expert clinic on the assurance of quality of administrative records was organized with the contribution of Canada, Slovenia, Cameroon and Norway.

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Regarding the Global Network of Data Officers and Statisticians, we consider that it is a useful initiative for the exchange of good practices and lessons learned by the NSO's and also that by being logged in Yammer, It allows for a more dynamic dialogue between the participating members.

Colombia therefore reiterates the importance of the efforts carried out so far, as well as to increase the number of activities and beneficiary countries of this and other programs, especially in the Latin America and the Caribbean Region. Additionally, Colombia reaffirms its commitment to share its experiences and outcomes to other countries in order to accelerate the fulfillment of the 2030 Agenda.

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