

## United Nations Statistical Commission

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Poland approves proposed guidance on implementing an open by default model for the dissemination of statistics. The most challenging aspects are establishing well-working cross-governmental support for open by default, building well-educated staff capacity to produce open data, and establishing clear and transparent procedures on data requests and data publication. The time frame for implementation should take into account possible difficulties in NSOs. Also, practical solutions on how to implement guidelines would be handy.

Referring to the review of best practices on data licensing and their harmonization with other national laws, in Poland, the data under the Act of 29 June 1995 on Official Statistics are not subject to copyright. They should be released under a public domain dedication regarding personal data and statistical confidentiality. Statistics Poland is analyzing the possibility of adopting an open data license CC BY 4.0. This license allows to copy, change, distribute, show, and perform the work only under the condition of the attribution. It is a license that guarantees the broadest freedoms of the licensee.

Statistics Poland recognizes data interoperability as a crucial issue. Better access and the ability to process data from different sources without being lost in interpretation and the possibility for data linking are necessary in the modern world. Integrating data helps to explore and understand the structures and content of datasets. In our opinion, Joined-Up Data Maturity Model can be helpful as a tool that helps in the process of interoperability. After reading the accompanying guidance, it is felt that provided information is very general but is a good starting point for developing the whole idea and preparing more accurate information that would make the model a more useful tool in the future.

Moreover, Statistics Poland recognizes the importance of opening data at a local level. We believe that progress in this matter will be one of the essential tasks in the nearest future. Local data accessibility already supports local government policymakers and communities in decision-making. We believe that more data in open formats, better access, and understanding will make this process even more transparent and more efficient. We greatly appreciate practical examples of using local data provided in a report.

Statistics Poland approves the proposal that the Working Group on Open Data has concluded. We would appreciate that further open data work in other groups would provide more practical examples.

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