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Access and Partnerships for Big Data Introduction to the Session

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Background

- The importance of access to Big Data sources
 - and the need for access principles
 - deliverable on access principles
- The importance of partnerships for Big Data
 - and the need for guidance
 - deliverables on good practices and MOU templates
- The role of the Global Working Group
 - and of the Task Team on Access and Partnerships

The Task Team

Actively participating organisations (persons):

- Eurostat (Albrecht Wirthmann)
- ITU (Nikolaos Volanis, Suzan Teltscher)
- Mexico (Enrique Ordaz)
- Netherlands (Peter Struijs)
- UN Global Pulse (Anoush Tatevossian, Milan Romanoff)
- UNSD (Markie Muryawan)

Results:

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/trade/events/2015/abudhabi/gwg-agenda.asp>

Results of the Task Team

- Good practices for data access and partnerships
 - good practices
 - tools and skills required for access
 - use of results from Global Survey
- Templates for MOUs with Big Data providers
 - inputs from organisations with partnerships
 - overview of points to be considered
 - structure of an agreement / MOU
 - elaboration of 14 articles
- Principles for access to Big Data sources



Principles for Access to Big Data Sources (1)

1. On the **social responsibility** to provide data
2. On the adherence to the **Fundamental Principles** of Official Statistics
3. On the need for a **level playing field** for businesses
4. On the acknowledgement of **business interests**

Principles for Access to Big Data Sources (2)

5. On the need to provide **adequate data** (but no more than needed)
6. On cost benefit **proportionality**
7. On the **non-discrimination** of statistical agencies
8. On **transparency**

Issues about Content

- Do the Principles have the right scope and detail?
 - extend to all data sources, to open data and/or to all government data requests, add principles, provide more detail?
- What to say about operational arrangements?
 - mention aggregates, need for principles by branch, return offers, contextual and source differences?
- What to say about privacy and the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics?
 - separate principle needed on privacy?

Issues of Process

- What should be the body or bodies of adoption?
 - branch organisations, UN General Assembly, ...?
- What stakeholders should be consulted?
 - private businesses, branch organisations, statistical agencies, ...?
- By what process should the Principles be adopted?
 - written procedure, stakeholder meetings, ...?

What is your view?



Thank you for your attention!