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Title of paper/report: Draft strategic plan and programme of work

Statement/intervention provided by:

Republic of Korea

Statement/intervention:

This delegation highly appreciates the efforts made by the Bureau, Member States and the Secretariat to develop the UNGEGN Strategic Plan and Programme of Work 2021-2029. It is quite noteworthy that UNGEGN has set the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as a basic premise for its work in the decade to come. It is the hope of this delegation that the activities of Member States and experts at UNGEGN will contribute to enabling the proper functioning of societies and economies, ensuring respect for diverse cultures and languages, and, ultimately, making international community more effective and inclusive.

We also take note of the compound nature of the new UNGEGN in that it has the characteristics of a group of experts as well as a governmental consultative body. With this in mind, this delegation would like to put emphasis on the importance of aligning the contents and procedures of the new UNGEGN's work in line with its mixed identity.

This delegation would also like to note that the Republic of Korea, especially the National Geographic Information Institute, will spare no effort to successfully implement the UNGEGN Strategic Plan and Programme of Work.



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