



## **Workshop on Data Integration: Realising the Potential of Statistical and Geospatial Data**

(Belgrade, Serbia, 21-23 May 2019)

### **Information Notice No. 1**

#### **I. Purpose and Target Audience of the Workshop**

1. This workshop is organized as part of the 2019 work programme of the Conference of European Statisticians, in cooperation with Eurostat, the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) and the European regional committee of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM: Europe). It will take place in Belgrade, from 21 to 23 May 2019, at the kind invitation of the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia.

2. The objective of this workshop is to bring together experts from the statistical and geospatial communities to share experiences, outputs and results of recent projects and initiatives on data integration within both communities. The event will focus on integrating geospatial, statistical and other information, from both traditional and new alternative sources. Practical examples of the innovative use of integrated data sources to produce statistical and geospatial outputs, will be highlighted. The workshop will also identify gaps and opportunities for further collaboration on data integration within and between the statistical and geospatial communities.

3. The target audience for this workshop includes experts working on the integration of statistical and geospatial data, from national and international statistical, geospatial, cadastral and mapping agencies.

#### **II. Agenda**

4. The workshop will cover the following topics:

- (i) Outcomes of recent data integration projects in the statistical and geospatial communities
- (ii) Examples of innovative use of statistical and geospatial data to produce new products
- (iii) Challenges and solutions for integrating statistical and geospatial data
- (iv) Opportunities for future collaboration on data integration within and between the statistical and geospatial communities.

#### **III. Participation and Accreditation**

5. Representatives of all Member States of the United Nations and of interested intergovernmental organizations are welcome to participate in the workshop. All participants must be accredited by the competent authorities of their country or international organization.

6. All participants are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas to Serbia should be made as soon as possible to the Embassy of Serbia in the country in which the participant resides, with a reference to the UNECE / Eurostat / EFTA / UN-GGIM: Europe Workshop

on Data Integration. A letter to facilitate obtaining a visa can be provided on request.

7. Participants should register for this workshop by **20 March 2019** at:  
<https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=SZe2Sb>.

#### **IV. Travel and Accommodation**

8. Participants and/or their offices are requested to make their own travel arrangements and hotel reservations. Limited financial support may be available for participants from the countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, on a “first-come, first-served” basis, otherwise the organisers regret that they can not offer any financial assistance regarding travel and accommodation.

#### **V. Documentation, Methods of Work and Working Language**

9. The working language for this workshop is English, and any contributions should be submitted in English only. Contributions should mainly consist of papers and accompanying presentations, but other formats may be proposed. Participants should note that due to the nature of the workshop, it may not be possible to allocate time to present all the proposed contributions.

10. Please note the following deadlines for contributions:

- A short abstract of the proposed contribution should be submitted as soon as possible and by **20 March 2019** at the latest, to [steven.vale@un.org](mailto:steven.vale@un.org).
- Papers should be provided by **5 April 2019** at the latest.
- Presentations, videos or other electronic materials should be provided by **14 May 2019** at the latest.

#### **VI. Venue**

11. The workshop will be held at the premises of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce, 23 Terazije Street, Belgrade, Serbia.

12. A second information notice will be issued to registered participants nearer to the dates of the workshop, giving more details about the agenda and timetable, and other logistical information.

#### **VII. Further information**

13. For further information, please contact the following:

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