**UNECE High-level Group for the  
Modernisation of Official Statistics**

**Business Case for streamlining CSPA and integrating new concepts and requirements**

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| This business case was prepared by Sharing Tools Group, and is submitted to the HLG-MOS for their approval. |

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| **Type of Activity** | | | | |
|  | New project | |  | New activity |
|  | Extension of existing project | |  | Extension of existing activity |
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| **Purpose** | | | | |
| The availability of new data sources and new technology is continuously changing. Additionally, privacy concerns, and changing roles of NSOs in the national data landscape lead to changes in how data is processed and stored. In order for CSPA to stay relevant, it needs to make sure it incorporates or facilitates such new developments and requirements. Additionally, there is a need to harmonize CSPA with other models and the outcome of other activities and projects. | | | | |
| **Description of the activity** | | | | |
| Related models such as CSDA need to be checked for consistency with CSPA. New developments in the production of statistics have to be analysed to see if they (might) lead to new requirements for data architecture and production infrastructures. CSPA should be checked against the outcome of other HLG-MOS activities such as on the Common Statistical Data Architecture, Data Integration, Machine Learning, and Secure multi-party computation to see if it is still fit for purpose and if they are aligned where relevant. Implications to CSPA of other developments such as serverless architecture, notebook solutions, cloud-ready services have to be identified and documented. | | | | |
| **Alternatives considered** | | | | |
| No follow-up. But this will potentially make CSPA outdated. | | | | |
| **How does it relate to the HLG-MOS vision and other activities under the HLG-MOS?** | | | | |
| Sharing services and prevent duplication. | | | | |
| **Proposed start and end dates** | | | | |
| **Start:** January 2020 | | **End:** December 2020 | | |
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**Guidance notes for completing the template**

Business cases should be **strictly no longer than 2 pages**. Keep your text short and to the point. You can delete these guidance notes when you have completed the business case.

Business cases should not go into technical details. Remember, the audience for your business case will be chief statisticians. They will not accept a proposal just because you think it is a good idea. They will need to be convinced!