Origins

The GAMSO draws heavily on two existing models:

- The GSBPM v5.0\(^1\), which provides the contents of the Production activity area
- The Statistical Network\(^2\) business activity model, which provides the basis for the Strategy and leadership, Capability management and Corporate support activity areas.

The GAMSO is fully coherent with the GSBPM Version 5.0. It has introduced some noticeable changes in the definition of the scope of the Statistical Network business activity model areas while reusing at least 70% of its content. The reasons for the differences are:

- Incorporation of feedback from organisations that are not part of the Statistical Network, and that consider key activities to be missing or not given sufficient prominence in the Statistical Network business activity model.
- Full coherence with the GSBPM v5.0, which has been adopted as a cornerstone standard for the vision of standards-based modernisation promoted by the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Statistical Production and Services. The GSBPM was agreed after a lengthy and broad consultation process within the international statistical community, and has been adopted by over 50 statistical organisations worldwide. The GAMSO is intended as an extension of the GSBPM. The main consequence of this is that whilst the activity area Capability management builds on the Capability area of the Statistical Network business activity model, it is actually defined more narrowly in the GAMSO to focus on the management of the development cycle of capabilities while the operational support of these capabilities is included in Corporate Support. In addition, in GAMSO, the accent is put on capabilities that are common to several statistical business processes and possibly shared across organizations.

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1. https://statswiki.unece.org/display/GSBPM
2. In 2014, the members of the Statistical Network were the national statistical organisations in Australia, Canada, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden and the United Kingdom.