High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics

The HLG-MOS oversee and manage:

- Four collaboration groups: Standards, Sharing, Capabilities and Communication, Blue Skies
- Modernisation Projects 2020: Machine Learning and Input Privacy-Preservation techniques
- Specialised topics: Dissemination and Communication, Data Collection, Statistical Data Editing and Statistical Confidentiality
- Modernisation Workshops and Seminars

Generic Statistical Business Process Model (GSBPM) describes the core business processes undertaken by statistical organisations to produce statistical outputs. It is used by more than 50 organisations worldwide. Read more here

Generic Statistical Information Model (GSIM) describes the core pieces of information needed by statistical organisations to produce statistical outputs. Read more here

Generic Activity Model for Statistical Organisations (GAMSO) extends and complements the GSBPM by describing overarching activities and processes to support the production of official statistical production. Read more here

Common Statistical Production Architecture (CSPA) helps statistical organisation create interoperable tools to share within and between statistical organisations. Read more here
Statistics Canada has kindly produced an excellent video showcasing the importance of the HLG-MOS for Official statistics in the UNECE region and beyond. In a nutshell, it explains the role of the HLG-MOS and the range of groups, projects and activities taking place on this collaboration platform to move our statistical community into the future.

What is the role of Statistical Agencies in data driven societies? How do we adapt to a dynamic and ever changing environment? In a world moving faster than ever, citizens need timely, relevant and quality information from a source they can trust without being overburdened. That's where we come in. We are the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics. Guided by the Conference of European Statisticians, we are a network for leaders of statistical agencies; a place to collaborate on the global modernisation agenda. We originate from the UNECE. That is the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe which represents Europe, North-America and parts of Asia. But our work is shared with all. Our groups are open to all and our network is global. Statistical agencies are facing new challenges: a rapid evolving environment, new channels, increasing costs and difficulty of acquiring data, competition for skilled resources, changing expectations of citizens viz data, need for new standards for the management of digital information, new ethical questions. These problems might be too big for a single organisation to handle on its own. That's where we come in. Collaboration is key. We coordinate global efforts to modernise statistics by providing experts with the venue to develop strategies and solutions. Our mission is to work collaborative to identify trends, risk and opportunities as well as to provide a common platform to develop solutions.

Stuck in the Past? I don't think so. Together we are moving the Statistical Community into the Future. You can count on it!
2019 Saw again an increase in participation in the work organized under the HLG-MOS. The ModernStats Community for statistical modernisation grew again in its ninth year of existence to new heights. Over 750 colleagues participated in its activities and the various groups and projects had over 150 members. Results and plans will be presented at the HLG MOS Workshop on the Modernisation of Official Statistics, Geneva, 18-20 November 2019.

The 2019 Workshop on the Modernisation of Official Statistics will be held on 19-20 November 2019 in Geneva. The purpose of the workshop is to ensure that the work is community driven and that activities and initiatives are aligned with the implementation of the vision of the High Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics (HLG-MOS), avoiding duplication and maximising efficiency. The expected outputs are a set of agreed and prioritised implementation actions.

The target audience are statisticians with technical knowledge of modernisation of statistics combined with a broader understanding of the statistical process and its modernisation, including some knowledge about international developments in this area. Members of the following groups are invited: The Statistical Modernisation Community, the CES Bureau, the HLG-MOS, the Executive Board, Modernisation Groups and task teams under the auspices of the HLG-MOS. Other staff working in areas related to modernisation of official statistics or interested in the work of the HLG-MOS are also welcome to participate.

Register now: https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=abpRtO