

# The tenth year of the EG-ISGI Taking Stock - Looking Forward

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# A BASIS FOR TAKING STOCK



# WHAT DOES THE EG-ISGI DO?



**THE EG-ISGI IS THE BRIDGE BETWEEN THE  
GEOSPATIAL AND STATISTICAL COMMUNITIES.**

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# THE GSGF – THE ANCHOR FOR THE EG-ISGI

## PRINCIPLES

Accessible & usable

Statistical and geospatial interoperability

Common geographies for dissemination of statistics

Geocoded unit record data in a data management environment

Use of fundamental geospatial infrastructure and geocoding

## KEY ELEMENTS

Standards and Good Practices

National Laws and Policy

Technical Infrastructure

Institutional Collaboration

## INPUT

### Geospatial

- Fundamental data
- Supplementary data
- New data sources

### Statistical

- Censuses
- Surveys
- Administrative data records
- Big data and other sources

## OUTPUT

Integration

Harmonised and standardised information

Interoperability Comparability

Analysis

Diffusion

Decision making

# THE EG-ISGI JOURNEY

## Our History Our Path to Today

### Co-Chairs of the EG-ISGI

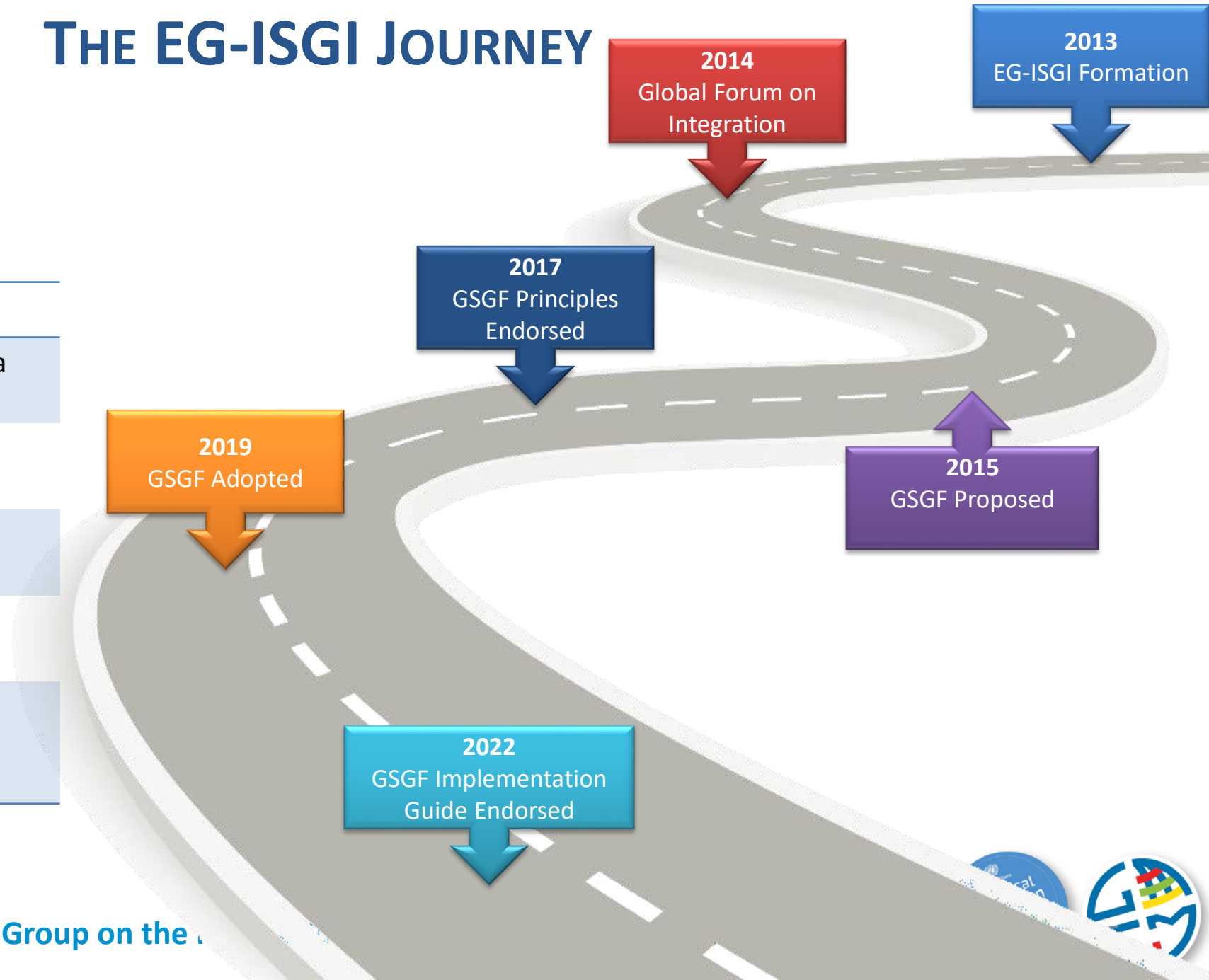
2013 – Ms Gemma van Halderen, Australia  
2017 Mr Rolando Ocampo, Mexico

2017 – Mr Martin Brady, Australia  
2019 Ms Paloma Merodio, Mexico

2019 – Ms Kathrin Gebers, Germany  
2021 Mr Alex Mudabeti, Namibia

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2022

2022 - *Co-chairs elect*  
*Lorraine McNerney, Ireland*  
*Claudio Stenner, Brazil*



# GUIDANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE GSGF

## Translations of the GSGF

- *Chinese, French and Spanish have been finalized*
  - *Thanks to China (Chinese – Mandarin), Canada and UNECA (French) Mexico, ECLAC and others (Spanish)*
- *Portuguese is being finalised*

## The GSGF Implementation Guide

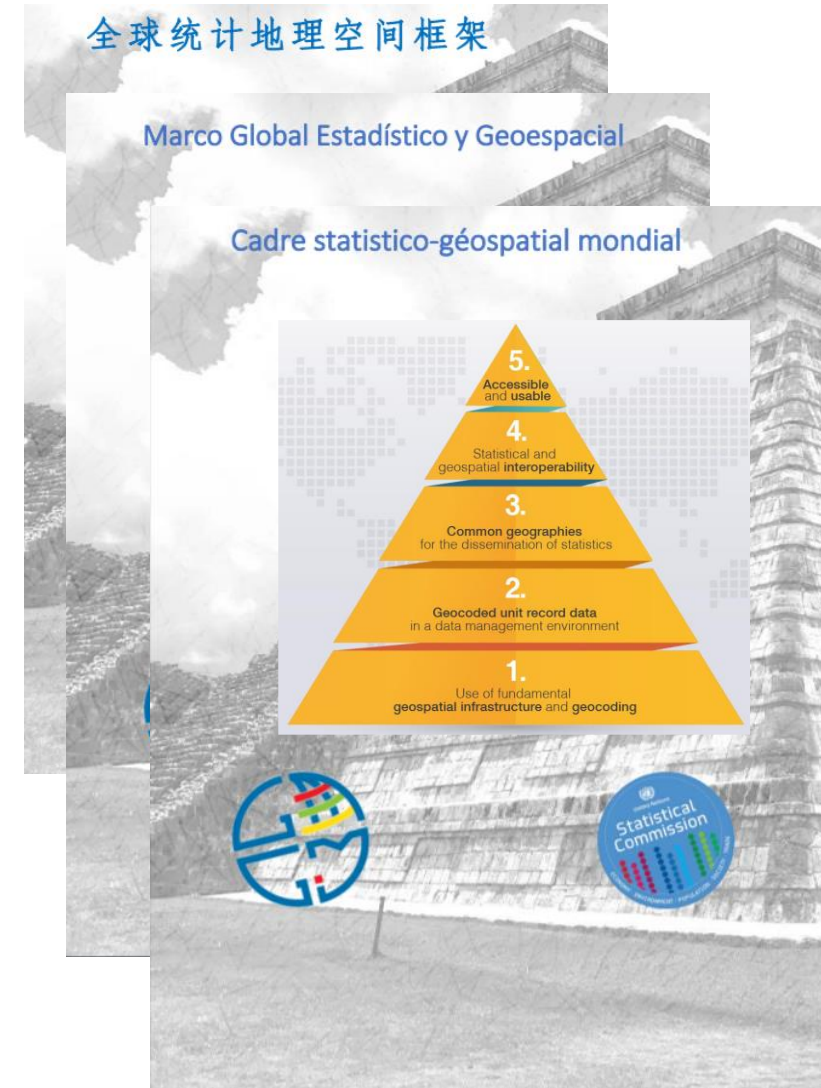
- *The GSGF Implementation Guide has been endorsed by the Statistical Commission, a move welcomed by UN-GGIM*

## The Global Survey on Readiness at the Country Level for Implementing the GSGF

- <https://surveys.analyzer.com/survey/linkindex?pid=rmad4d28>

## National and Regional Experiences of Implementing the GSGF

- Experiences of how the GSGF is implemented by 29 Member States and 2 Regional Commissions, including how it has assisted the response to COVID-19.



# LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

~20% of responding Countries have no to little awareness of the GSGF



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90

Observations  
Total

- 0 - No awareness
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5 - High awareness
- Don't know

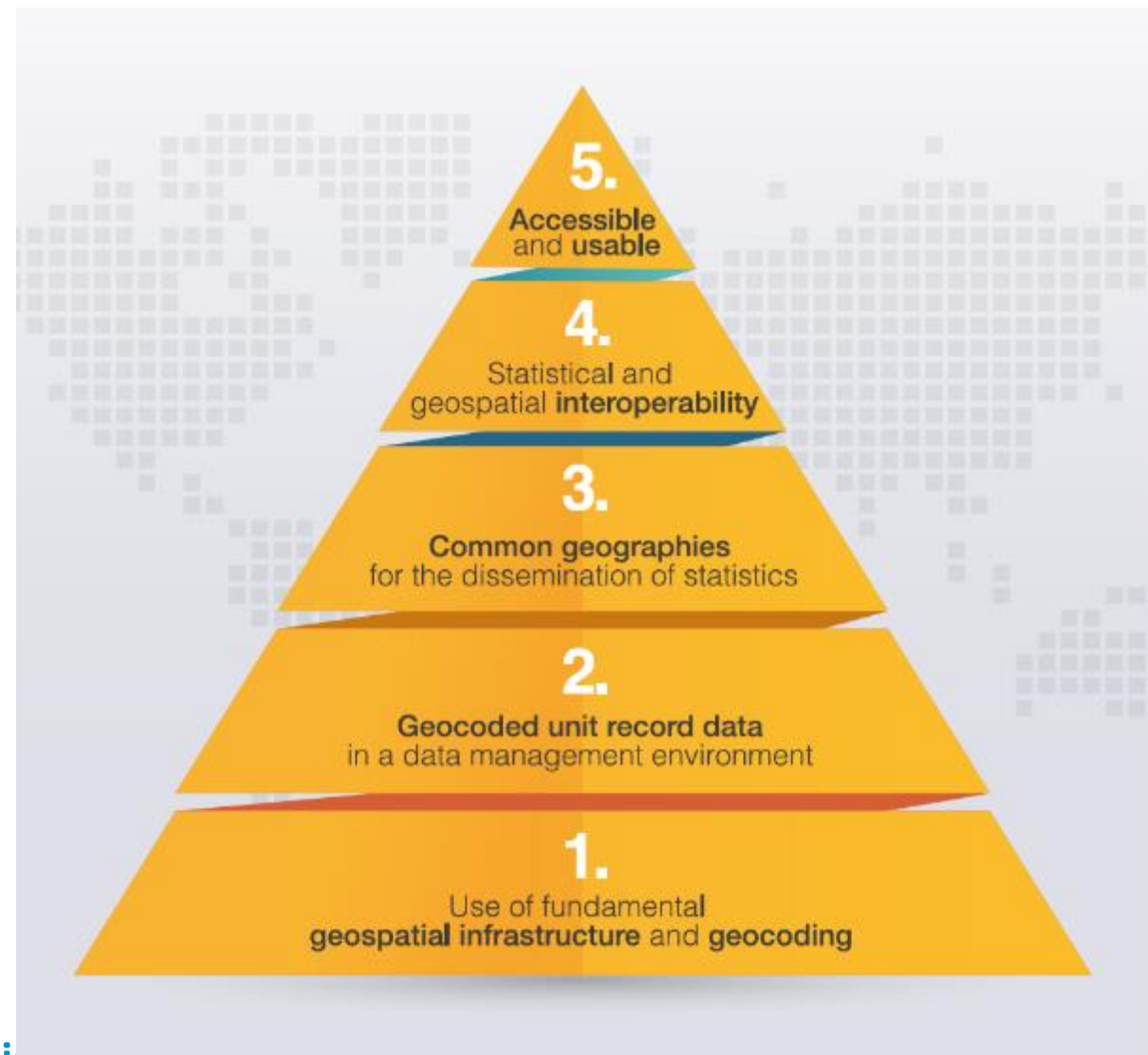
- 90 complete replies were submitted from 76 Member States and 2 non-Member State observers
- 59% of Member States submitted a coordinated reply from the NSO and NGIA
- 41% of Member States submitted singular replies representing only one organisation.
- In Europe, 61% (34 of 56 countries) responded to the global survey



# THE FUTURE FOR THE EG-ISGI

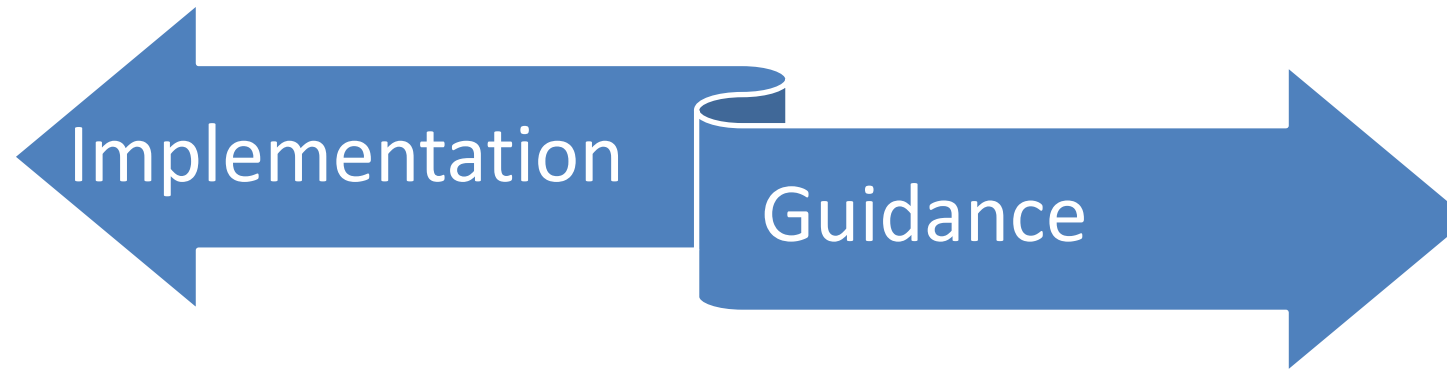
Key Questions for the EG-ISGI as we advance:

- Where are we heading?
- What is needed?
- How do we get there?
- What are our messages?
- What is the value proposition?
- What is the case for change?
- What resources do we have currently?
- What resources do we need?





# THE DIRECTION FOR THE EG-ISGI



- Ensuring the holistic use of geospatially integrated statistics
- Supporting the advance towards Data services, not just data
- Supporting custodianship of data and the evolution of NSOs and NGIAs
- Partnerships and Collaboration

# THE DIRECTION FOR THE EG-ISGI

Our Future

Our Pathway(s) Forward

IGIF

Expanding the IGIF for the Statistical Domain

Communication and Promotion

Raising awareness of the GSGF

Regional Coordination

Strengthening regional coordination and coherence

Capacity Building

Enabling others to implement the GSGF  
Provide:

- Disaggregation of Data
- Geocoded data

Other Directions

What are we missing?