Welcome!

The European Forum for Geography and Statistics (EFGS) is pleased to invite you to the **9th Conference** on the integration of geography and statistics, which is to be held in Paris from **15 to 17 th November 2016** at the **Mercure Paris Vaugirard Porte de Versailles Hotel**. This year's conference will be hosted by Insee, the French National Statistical Institute (NSI), with support from Eurostat and in co-operation with IGN, the French National Mapping Agency (NMA), and with the French Ministry of the Environment, Energy and Marine Affairs.

Many programmes and initiatives at European level require frequently updated high quality statistical and geospatial information for evidence-based decisionsmaking at all levels of public administration, from local to global. The EFGS supports the creation of a professional community dedicated to the development and harmonization of NSI-based systems of spatial statistics and their integration with geospatial information as part of the UN-GGIM initiative. Best-practice studies from both NSIs and NMCAs help inspire and encourage a closer co-operation between the two communities.

The motto of this year's conference is *"Suitable, Reliable, Sustainable"* which stands for the *suitable* tools that both statistical and geographical communities have to provide, in order to feed the growing demand on spatial statistics. These tools will prove useful only if they rely on comprehensive, authoritative and accurate data, in one word on *reliable* data. Finally, fueling the demand will only be achieved in the long run if the bridges built at the previous EFGS conference in Vienna, between NSIs and NMAs, are *sustainable*. Moreover sustainability lies at the heart of the current debate on Development Goals. As such it is included in the themes to be discussed at the conference.

Conference overview

Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Morning	Registration
	Conference opening
	keynote: Data integration for mapping and monitoring the SDGs
	Session 1: UN-SDG and UN-GGIM
Afternoon	Session 2: Cooperation between NMAs and NSIs
	Session 3: Integration of geography in the statistical production process

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Morning	Session 4: Management of census geography
	Session 5: Environment Statistics
	Keynote: Why does using individual and geocoded data matter in urban economics?
	Session 6: Big Data and Earth observation data in official statistics
Afternoon	Session 6: Big Data and Earth observation data in official statistics (continued)
	Session 7: Geospatial Analysis Best practices 1
Evening	Conference dinner

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Morning	Session 8: Geospatial Analysis Best practices 2
	Session 9: Dissemination Issues
Afternoon	The EFGS General Assembly

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Time	Programme Activity	Speaker Chair	Organisation Institution
08:30-09:30	**Registration**		
09:30-10:30	**Conference opening**	Sylvie Lagarde*	Statistics France
09:30-09:45	Welcome Speech by the Director General of INSEE	Jean-Luc Tavernier	Statistics France
09:45-10:00	Welcome Speech by the Director General of IGN	Daniel Bursaux	IGN
10:00-10:15	Welcome Speech by the President of EFGS	Janusz Dygaszewicz	Central Statistical Office, Poland
10:15-10:30	Welcome Speech by the representative of Eurostat	Ekkehard Petri	European Commission Eurostat - Gisco
10:30-11:00	**Coffee Break**		
11:00-11:30	**Keynote**		
11:00-11:30	Data integration for mapping and monitoring the SDGs	Linus Bengtsson	Flowminder, Karolinska Institutet
11:30-13:05	**Session 1: UN-SDG and UN-GGIM**		
11:30-11:35	Introduction by chair	Pier-Giorgio Zacchedu	Federal Agency for Cartograhy and Geodesy
11:35-11:55	Progress on the Global Statistical Geospatial Framework	Martin Brady	Australian Bureau of Statistics
11:55-12:15	Progress of UN-GGIM: Europe Working Group A on Core Data	Dominique Laurent	IGN
12:15-12:35	UN-GGIM: Europe Work Group B on Data Integration – Support of the better integration of geospatial information and statistics and the UN SDG monitoring	Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu	Federal Agency for Cartograhy and Geodesy
12:35-12:55	Monitoring Agenda 2030 through a geospatial lens	Marie Haldorson	Statistics Sweden
12:55-13:05	Summing up by chair	Pier-Giorgio Zacchedu	Federal Agency for Cartograhy and Geodesy
13:05-14:05	**Lunch Break**		

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14:05-15:40	**Session 2: Cooperation between NMAs and NSIs**		
14:05-14:10	Introduction by chair	François Chirié	IGN
14:10-14:30	Population and Housing Statistics - The use of 3D models	Vilni Verner Holst Bloch	Statistics Norway
14:30-14:50	A questionnaire for collecting opinions for Statistical Units Data Specifications (UNGGIM-Europe, WGA)	Ignacio Duque	Statistics Spain
14:50-15:10	Collaboration between French NMA and NSI (from NMA point of view)	Dominique Laurent	IGN
15:10-15:30	Resource Centre for GIS and Geospatial Information in Statistics Norway	Trine Haagensen	Statistics Norway
15:30-15:40	Summing up by chair	François Chirié	IGN
15:40-16:10	**Coffee Break**		
16:10-17:45	**Session 3: Integration of geography in the statistical production process**		
16:10-16:15	Introduction by chair	Martin Brady	Australian Bureau of Statisctics
16:15-16:35	Geostat 2: Building and maintaining a point-based geospatail reference framework for statistics – preliminary conclusions from the project	Jerker Moström	Statistics Sweden
16:35-16:55	Geostat 2: Some experiences and conclusions - applying GSBPM to geospatial statistical data production	Rina Tammisto, Marja Tammilehto-Luode, Tuuli Pihlajamaa	Statistics Finland
16:55-17:15	Working towards a Geospatial Strategy in Statistics Denmark	Karen Skjelbo	Statistics Denmark
17:15-17:35	Combining statistical and geospatial data – challenges and possible solutions from German official statistics' perspective	Dr. Susanne Schnorr-Baecker, Malte Etienne	Federal Statistical Office of Germany
17:35-17:45	Summing up by chair	Martin Brady	Australian Bureau of Statistics

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08:30-09:45	**Session 4: Management of census geography**		
08:30-08:35	Introduction by chair	Caroline Escapa	Statistics France
08:35-08:55	Improving quality and added value of geo-statistical units	Ignacio Duque	Statistics Spain
08:55-09:15	Statistics Canada, Temporal and Spatial Opportunities	Elaine Castonguay	Statistics Canada
09:15-09:35	Egyptian Experience in integrating statistical and geospatial information	Mennat Allah Anwar Ahmed Hashim	Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS), Egypt
09:35-09:45	Summing up by chair	Caroline Escapa	Statistics France
09:45-10:40	**Session 5: Environment Statistics**		
09:45-09:50	Introduction by chair	Patrick Sillard	French Ministry of the Environment, Energy and Marine Affairs
09:50-10:10	Compilation of land use statistics using GIS	Emil Vågnes	Statistics Norway
10:10-10:30	Integrated system of natural capital and ecosystem services accounting in the EU – an introduction to the project from a geospatial perspective	Ekkehard Petri	European Commission
10:30-10:40	Summing up by chair	Patrick Sillard	French Ministry of the Environment, Energy and Marine Affairs
10:40-11:10	**Coffee Break**		
11:10-11:40	**Keynote**		
11:10-11:40	Why does using individual and geocoded data matter in urban economics?	Pierre-Philippe Combes	Lyon University, Sciences Po Paris
11:40-12:45	**Session 6: Big data and Earth observation data in official statistics**		
11:40-11:45	Introduction by chair	Jerker Moström	Statistics Sweden
11:45-12:05	EO4Urban: Sentinel-1A SAR and Sentinel-2A MSI Data for Global Urban Services	Yifang Ban	KTH Royal Institute of Technology
12:05-12:25	Cop4Stat_2015plus – Analysis of COPERNICUS remote sensing data for areal statistical purposes	Stephan Arnold, Thomas Wiatr	Federal Statistical Office (DESTATIS), Germany
12:25-12:45	Collaboration to produce official statistics from satellite data products from the Australian Geoscience Data Cube	Martin Brady, Matt Jakab, Richard Dunsome	Australian Bureau of Statistics
12:45-14:00	**Lunch Break**		

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14:00-15:30	**Session 6: Big data and Earth observation data in official statistics (continued)**		
14:00-14:20	Integrating Geography and Statistics, but what about Earth Observation?	Ola Nordbeck	Norwegian Space Centre
14:20-14:40	Mining Mobile Phone Data to Recognize Urban Areas	Stéphanie Combes, Marie-Pierre de Bellefon, Maarten Vanhoof, Thomas Plötz	Statistics France; Orange Labs – University of Newcastle, United Kindom
14:40-15:00	Global Population Distribution: a continuum of modeling methods	Greg Yetman, Kytt MacManus	CIESIN, Columbia University, USA
15:00-15:20	Merging big data and official statistics for modelling statistical commuting	Pasi Piela	Statistics Finland
15:20-15:30	Summing up by chair	Jerker Moström	Statistics Sweden
15:30-16:00	**Coffee Break**		
16:00-17:35	**Session 7: Geospatial Analysis Best practices 1**		
16:00-16:05	Introduction by chair	Ng Siau Yong	Singapore Land Authority
16:05-16:25	Exploring Europe's border areas with the help of geostatistics	Hugo Poelman	European Commission - DG Regional and Urban Policy, Belgium
16:25-16:45	Fly across the boundary: A tracing of actual movements in air transportation network	Dongkun Yim, Suyoung Kang	Department of Geography, Seoul National University, South Korea
16:45-17:05	Income levels and inequality in metropolitan areas: a comparative approach in OECD countries	Justine Boulant, Monica Brezzi and Paolo Veneri	Regional Development Policy Division, OECD, France
17:05-17:25	Geospatial Data and Statistics at Austrian Post Office	Karel Mauric, Simone Ortner	HQ of Austrian Post, Vienna, Austria
17:25-17:35	Summing up by chair	Ng Siau Yong	Singapore Land Authority
19:30-22:00	**Conference Dinner - sponsored by INSEE and IGN**		

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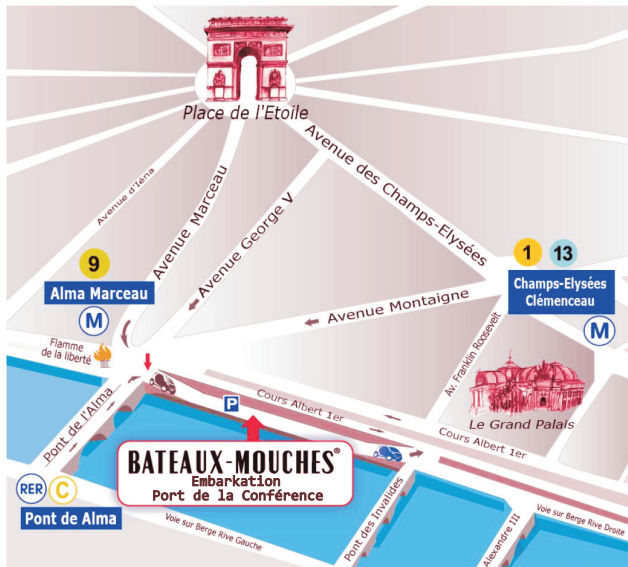| Time	Programme Activity	Speaker Chair	Organisation Institution
08:30-10:25	**Session 8: Geospatial Analysis Best practices 2**		
08:30-08:35	Introduction by chair	Marie-Pierre de Bellefon	Statistics France
08:35-08:55	Population distribution in the Republic of Kosovo: a comparative analysis on urban-population and its classification based on administrative and non-administrative criteria	Idriz Shala, Burim Limolli	Kosovo Agency of Statistics, Republic of Kosovo
08:55-09:15	Official grid-based statistics: regional statistics in Andalusia	Iria Enrique Regueira	Institute of Statistics and Cartography of Andalusia, Spain
09:15-09:35	Capturing the Synergy of Geospatial and Statistics: A Singapore's Perspective	Ng Siau Yong, Angelinie Winarto	Singapore Land Authority
09:35-09:55	Enhancing reliability of soil sealing indicators by use of geostatistical modeling	Patrick Sillard	Observation and Statistics Service - Ministry of Environment, France
09:55-10:15	A Room with a View or Rear Window? The Demand for Housing Attributes in Paris	Mathilde Poulhes	Observation and Statistics Service - Ministry of Environment, France
10:15-10:25	Summing up by chair	Marie-Pierre de Bellefon	Statistics France
10:25-11:00	**Coffee Break**		
11:00-12:35	**Session 9: Dissemination Issues**		
11:00-11:05	Introduction by chair	Ekkehard Petri	European Commission
11:05-11:25	Geostatistics Portal – new developments and future plans	Miroslaw Migacz	Central Statistical Office, Poland
11:25-11:45	An open and closed case? Dissemination and the use of proprietary suppliers in an open data world	Ian Coady	Office for National Statistics, United Kingdom
11:45-12:05	Table Joining Service: The solution for INSPIRE themes without geometry	Pieter Bresters	Statistics Netherlands
12:05-12:25	Spatial Statistics on Web 2 and Oskari	Timo Aarnio, Jani Kylmäaho	National Land Survey of Finland
12:25-12:35	Summing up by chair	Ekkehard Petri	European Commission
12:35-12:45	Announcement of the EFGS-2017 Conference	Dermot Corcoran	Statistics Ireland
12:45-13:00	Conference Closing	Janusz Dygaszewicz	Central Statistical Office, Poland
13:00-14:00	**Lunch Break**		
14:30-17:00	**EFGS General Assembly at Insee (Salle Malinvaud)**		

Conference Dinner

On Wednesday, 16 November 2016 – 19:30-22:00 the Conference Dinner will consist of a dinner cruise on the Seine. The dinner is sponsored by the French National Institute of Geographic and Forest Information (IGN) and by the French National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies (Insee) and is free of charge.

Please bring your personal invitation along to the dinner. Your received it together with your conference material during the registration at the registration desk.

The Boat name is 'Jean Bruel'. The port of embarkation and disembarkation is the Port de la Conférence located at the Pont de l'Alma, on the right bank. You can use one of the several means of public transport available nearby.

Access Plan

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(P) Free parking on the dock throughout the cruise duration