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Online workshop: Geo-ethics frameworks and governance

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Agenda

13.00-13.05		Welcome and Introduction

Paolo Veneri – Deputy Head of Economic Analysis, Data and Statistics Division, CFE-OECD

Olivia Powell - Head of Geography, Office for National Statistics, UK

13.05-13.10		Updates of the workstream

DESCRIPTION: Summary of the last session of the Ethics workstream and activities since then.

Olivia Powell - Head of Geography, Office for National Statistics, UK

Emily Daemen – Geonovum, NL

13.10-14.00		Presentations

TITLE: **Data ethics and governance**

DESCRIPTION: This presentation will highlight key findings of the *Code for Good Digital Public Governance (CODIO)* project developed for the Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations. The code builds on a variety of principles and values mentioned in the scientific literature, existing (international) codes and by experts. The code has been tested and implemented in three concrete cases in local government organizations in the Netherlands.

Dr. Erna Ruijer - Assistant professor at the Utrecht University School of Governance, NL

TITLE: **Geo-ethics frameworks**

DESCRIPTION: Overview of (geo) data ethics frameworks and their applications.

Emily Daemen – Geonovum, NL

Pauline Zwanikken – The Green Land, NL

14.00-14.20		Interactive session

DESCRIPTION: Discussion and Q&A with participants on the established (geo) ethics frameworks and their applications. Do these frameworks enable the use of geospatial data for policymaking?

Moderated by: **Claudia Baranzelli –** Policy Analyst, CFE-OECD

14.20-14.30		Looking forward / closing

DESCRIPTION: What's next for the Ethics workstream.

Olivia Powell - Head of Geography, Office for National Statistics, UK

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Geo-ethics frameworks and governance

■ Background

The OECD Laboratory for Geospatial Analysis (aka Geospatial Lab) is organising a workshop within the workstream on "promoting ethical and responsible use of geospatial data". Geospatial data are important to inform policy decisions and to improve our quality of life. The ubiquity of geospatial data (e.g. location data) will continue to grow as technological advancements continue to be made and become increasingly available with our everyday use of smart devices. To this end, there is an increasing interest to ensure that geospatial data are distributed and analysed following established ethics frameworks.

■ The Workstream on ethical and responsible use of geospatial data

The main aim of the workstream is to advance further the debate and understanding of location data ethics in the policy arena by bringing together experts from various sectors, from across the world and enabling collaboration between government institutions, NGOs, industry, and academia.

Objectives of the workstream:

1. To create an overview of all the geo-ethics/data ethics principles developed worldwide, so that they can be shared and compared.

2. To create a space where geo-ethics practices and perspectives from various countries, cultures and systems can be shared and compared.

3. To investigate how geo-ethics can be translated into policies.

These objectives are likely to lead to the following **outcomes**:

1. An interactive knowledge sharing platform/ repository hosted by the OECD, filled with geo-ethics initiatives and experiences.

2. A methodology on how to enable collaboration on geo-ethics in the policy arena.

■ This workshop

During this session, international experts will discuss the importance of following existing Geo-ethics frameworks as well as the importance of data ethics in the governance processes. The objective of the workshop is to establish our current understanding of the benefits that data ethics frameworks can bring in informing data-driven decision-making and ensuring social equity in the use of geospatial data.

About the OECD Laboratory for Geospatial Analysis

The OECD Laboratory for Geospatial Analysis (The Geospatial Lab) is an initiative to encourage the widespread adoption of geospatial data in shaping policies that make a difference in tackling today's place-based problems. It aims to create an international community of stakeholders from the public, private, and not-for-profit sectors, to share knowledge and co-operate in the production and use of geospatial data, all the while emphasising the policy implications of geospatial data use. The Lab is hosted by the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE).

For more information, visit our website: https://www.oecd.org/regional/regional-statistics/geospatial-lab.htm

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