

Where is the geospatial data required by the global agenda?



Rio + 20 The Future We Want (GA, RES/66/288)

...reliable geospatial information in support of comprehensive hazard and risk assessment...



2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (GA, RES/70/1)

...promoting a framework for disaggregated data to link between statistics and geographic location...



UN-GGIM (Report E/C.20/2016/5/Add.1)

...highlighted administrative boundaries as a priority "core global fundamental geospatial data theme"...





Current situation on administrative boundaries

- No reliable global dataset on common geographies
- Few pan-national or regional reliable geospatial
- Few standard and harmonized dataset
- a lot of unstructured and unreliable data available
- many places to retrieve data
- from unknown sources
- many fragmented approaches

How can the geospatial community provide authoritative common geographies globally so users can discover, analyse and integrate different statistical datasets?

(from Principle 3 of the Framework for disaggregated and reliable data to link geospatial and statistics)





SALB objectives

The Second Administrative Level Boundaries (SALB) initiative aims at compiling data worldwide on administrative boundaries and names from authoritative source

In this context SALB objectives are:

- i. compile authoritative GIS dataset worldwide for administrative boundaries and names for level 1 and 2, at 1million scale; and
- ii. identify and maintain National Geospatial Authorities point of contacts on administrative boundaries and names; and
- iii. maintain an overview of historical changes of national administrative units.





Benefits of SALB

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One goal users can discover, analyse and integrate different statistical datasets



Institutional approach





Common geography

Administrative boundaries/units



One coordinate system

WGS84



Uniform scale range

1 million



Specifications

Towards integration with stats



Common data specifications

Names and attributions



Standard encoding format

.shp and .gml



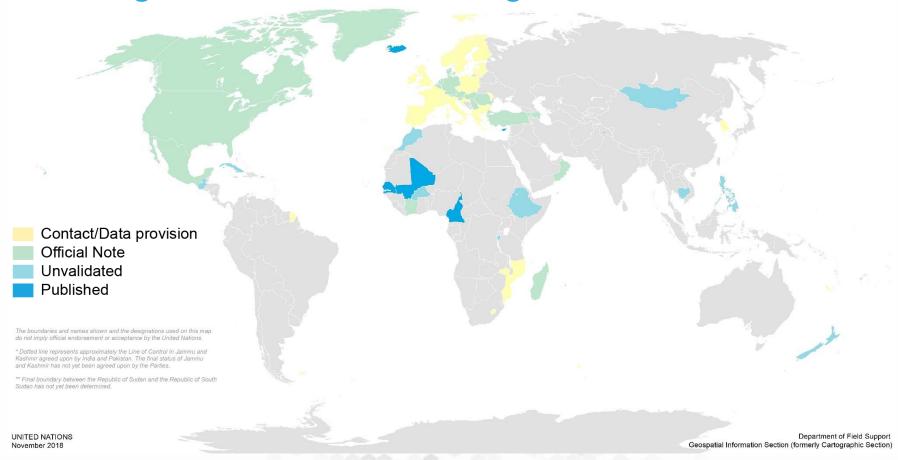
Common dissemination platform

SALB website





Programme status since August 2017







Submit your National data



Send to SALB focal point



Data processing & standardization



Validate your National data



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