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# 9° SESSION

## UN-GGIM: Americas

### High-level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

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Session 4



**UN IGIF**

INTEGRATED GEOSPATIAL  
INFORMATION FRAMEWORK

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Santiago de Chile, ECLAC

# Our Path to Today

## 2018 UN-GGIM EIGHTH SESSION

The IGIF and its Overarching Strategic Framework is adopted, first Member State begins implementation



## 2019 WORK BEGAN DA-11 PROJECT

Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Fiji, Mongolia, Nepal and Tonga begin implementing IGIF



## 2020 UN-GGIM TENTH SESSION

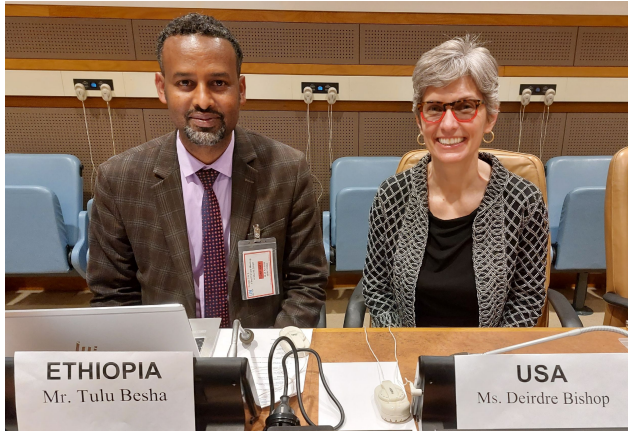
IGIF Implementation Guide is adopted and the formation of the HLG-IGIF is approved



**FEBRUARY 2021** HLG-IGIF  
forms and holds first  
virtual meeting



# High-Level Group of the IGIF (HLG-IGIF)



Dr. Tulu Besha Bedada, Co-Chair of the HLG-IGIF – Ethiopia  
Deirdre Dalpiaz Bishop, Co-Chair of the HLG-IGIF – United States  
By Appointment of the UN-GGIM Committee of Experts

Provides strategic leadership, promotion, coordination, and oversight to implement the IGIF globally

Comprised of 22 Member States:

- Bureau of UN-GGIM (4 members)
- Regional membership (2-4 members from each region)



# Regional Representation on the HLG

Balanced Geographical Representation





# The Mission



The High-Level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework aims to:

- ✓ **Provide the strategic leadership, promotion, coordination, planning and oversight** to successfully sustain the uptake and implementation of the IGIF
- ✓ **Explicitly demonstrate the societal value and impact of the IGIF**, and associated progress towards enabling the achievement of the SDGs
- ✓ **Provide expertise and advice** to assist countries in their implementation of the IGIF at the country level
- ✓ **Mobilize needed resources** for implementation and to maintain the momentum and evolving refinement of the IGIF with Member States and other key stakeholders



# HLG-IGIF Strategic Plan

## Six Strategic Goals



Improve  
Communication



Promote Data  
Governance,  
Availability and  
Accessibility



Strengthen  
Capacity  
Development



Mobilize  
Sustainable  
Funding



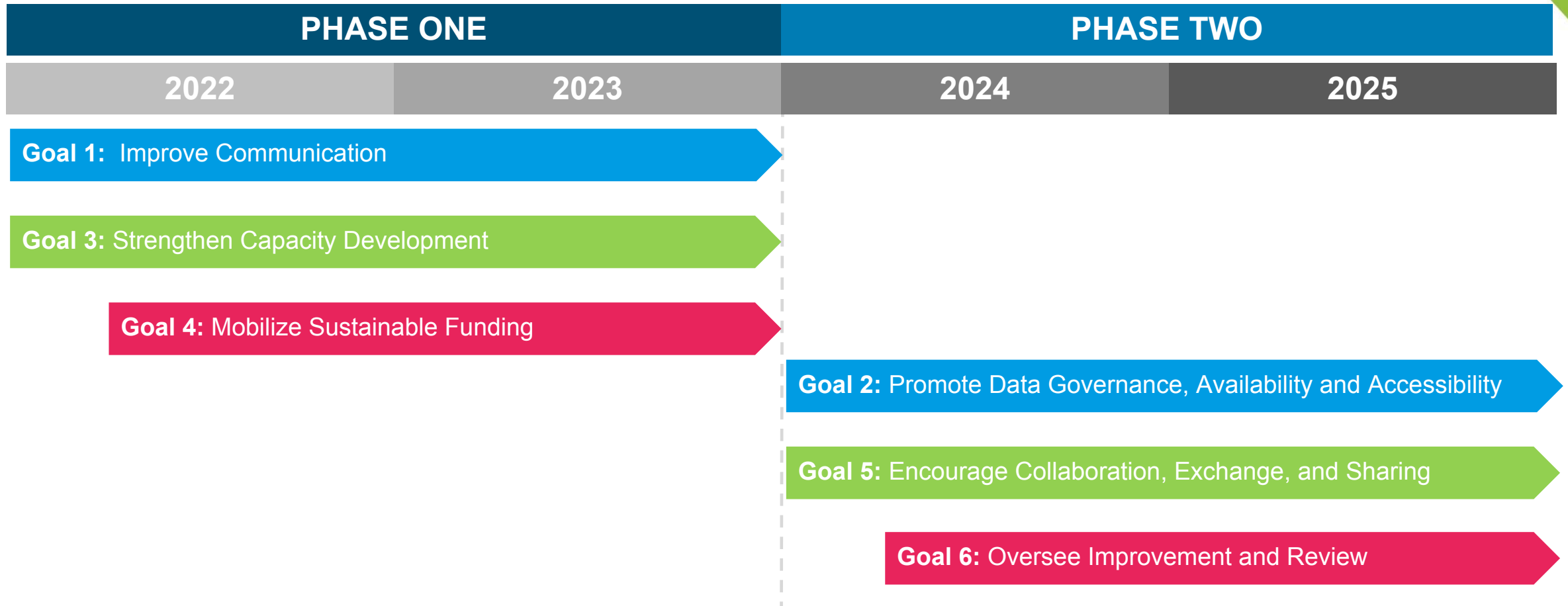
Encourage  
Collaboration,  
Exchange and  
Sharing



Oversee  
Improvement  
and Review

# HLG-IGIF Strategic Plan

## Implementation Phases



# HLG-IGIF Plan of Work

Three Priority Goals for 2022-2023

**Goal 1: Improve Communication**

**Goal 3: Strengthen Capacity Development**

**Goal 4: Mobilize Sustainable Funding**

## Plan of Work

- Tasks and Activities
- Strategic Objectives
- Stakeholders/Target Audience
- Communications Methods and Channels
- Responsible Party
- Resources Required
- Deliverables
- Priority Timeframe



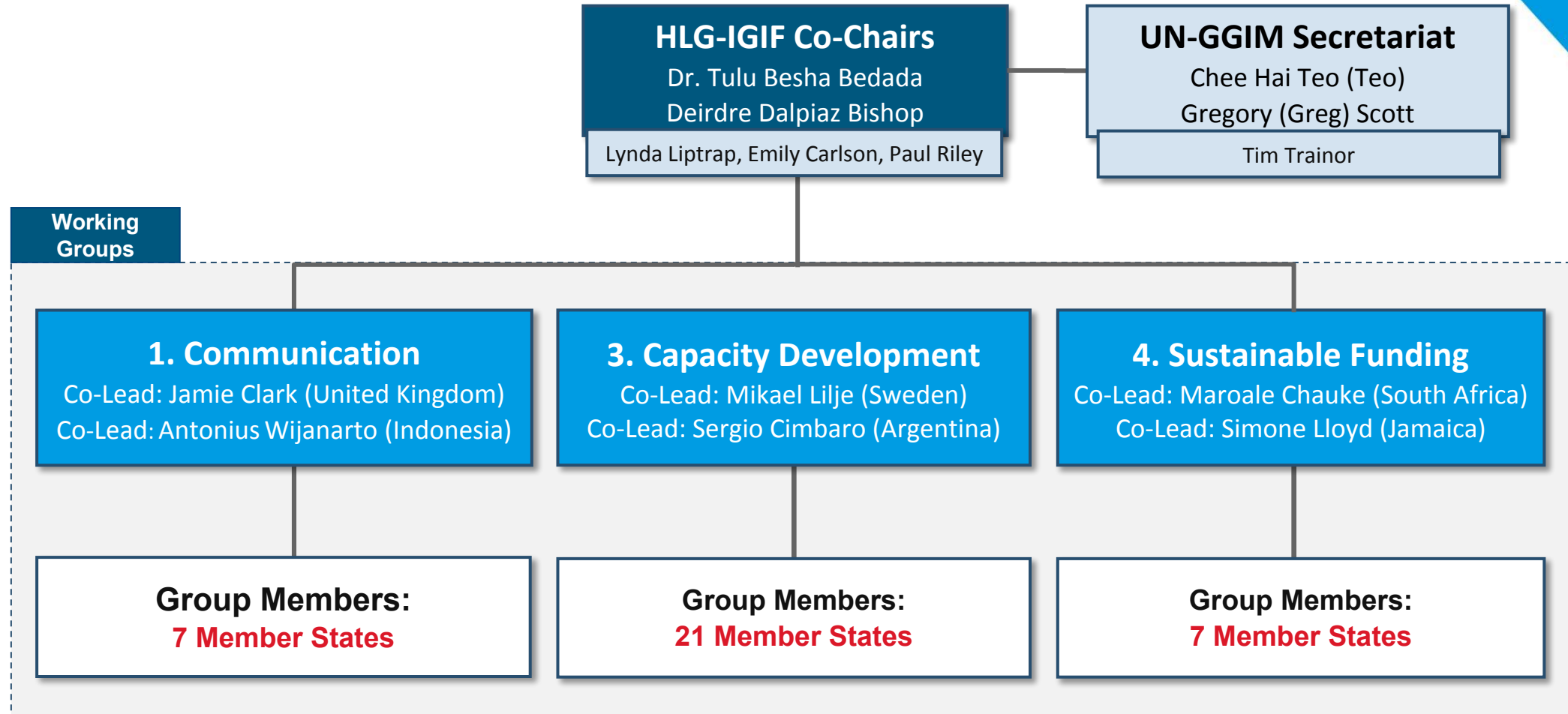
# HLG-IGIF Working Groups

Advancing the Plan of Work



# Working Group Structure

Organizing for Action



# HLG-IGIF Working Groups

Member State Representation

| Communications   | Capacity Development  | Sustainable Funding   |
|--|---|---|
| Belgium<br>Indonesia<br>Netherlands<br>Sweden<br>Tunisia<br>United Kingdom<br><b>United States</b> | Algeria<br><b>Argentina</b><br><b>Barbados</b><br>Belgium<br><b>Brazil</b><br><b>Chile</b><br><b>Colombia</b><br>Fiji<br>Germany<br><b>Mexico</b><br><br>Morocco<br>Netherlands<br><b>Panama</b><br>Saudi Arabia<br>Singapore<br>Sweden<br>UAE<br>United Kingdom<br><b>United States</b><br><b>Uruguay</b><br>Tunisia | Belgium<br><b>Jamaica</b><br>Morocco<br>Saudi Arabia<br>South Africa<br>Tunisia<br><b>United States</b> |

# Working Group Activities



## Communications

- ✓ Develop key messages and create awareness for decision makers
- ✓ Develop communication materials – case studies, flyers, and presentations
- ✓ Engage with stakeholder groups



## Capacity Development

- ✓ Finalize and translate all IGIF materials, guides and tools
- ✓ Develop IGIF Training materials and e-Learning tools
- ✓ Share information on IGIF lessons learned and best practices



## Sustainable Funding

- ✓ Identify potential sources of funding and funding requirements
- ✓ Identify specific items for dedicated funding and their associated costs
- ✓ Promote the positive impacts of investing in IGIF

# Progress of the HLG-IGIF

## A Year in Review



### Q1 2022

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Virtual Meeting

A new Co-Chair was designated.

HLG-IGIF Plan of Work was reviewed and finalized.

HLG-IGIF Communications Strategy and Plan finalized.



### Q2 2022

#### 1<sup>st</sup> In-Person Meeting

Formed 3 Working Groups and selected six Co-Leads.

Finalized proposed UN-GGIM report to ECOSOC and draft resolution with Friends of the Co-Chairs on E/RES/2016/27.

Launched the HLG-IGIF Newsletter.



### Q3 2022

#### 2nd In-Person Meeting

Completed the IGIF Branding Package—logo, tagline, elevator pitch, PowerPoint template.

Held 2 IGIF Events at UN-GGIM Twelfth Session to engage:

- Regional Committee Chairs
- Donors and funders
- Member States advancing IGIF to share lessons learned

ECOSOC Resolution passed.



### Q4 2022

#### Widespread Engagement

IGIF Featured at the 2nd World Geospatial Information Congress:

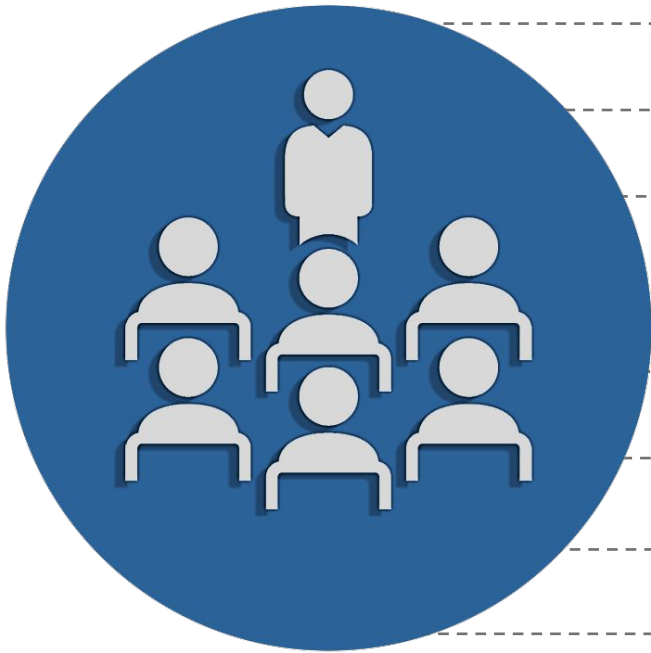
- Plenary Presentation
- HLG-IGIF Presentation
- Americas Regional IGIF plans

IGIF presented at the PAIGH 23rd General Assembly and resolution passed in support of the IGIF.

UN-GGIM Asia Pacific and Americas Regional Committees form IGIF Working Groups.

# Communication and Engagement

Creating Awareness, Sharing Lessons Learned, Building Capacity



- 1 Cambridge Conference – April
- 2 Esri User Conference IGIF Workshop – July
- 3 UN-GGIM: Americas IGIF Workshop – July
- 4 IGIF Forum at UN-GGIM 12<sup>th</sup> Session – August
- 5 Sustainable Funding Event: UN-GGIM 12<sup>th</sup> Session – August
- 6 World Geospatial Information Congress – October
- 7 23rd General Assembly of PAIGH – October
- 8 Ninth Session of UN-GGIM: Americas – November



# Why is this Important to the Americas?



# Working Together in the Americas



High-level Group or Committee

- Provide communication materials
- Translate implementation documents and tools
- Provide training and capacity building
- Promote the positive impacts of investing in IGIF



## The Goal

Advance the IGIF at the country level  
through regional and global:  
Collaboration  
Coordination  
Synergy



Subject Matter Experts Regional Committee

- Identify subject matter experts for HLG Work Groups
- Identify Member States ready to advance IGIF
- Provide success stories/case study examples
- Share IGIF implementation lessons learned

# HLG-IGIF Working Groups

Americas Representation

## Communications

**United States**

## Capacity Development

**Argentina\***  
**Barbados**  
**Brazil**  
**Chile**  
**Colombia**  
**Mexico**  
**Panama**  
**United States**  
**Uruguay**

\*Co-Lead of working group

## Sustainable Funding

**Jamaica\***  
**United States**

\* Co-Lead of working group

# Follow the High-level Group

## HLG-IGIF Quarterly Newsletter



### HIGH-LEVEL GROUP OF THE IGIF

May 2022

Highlights from the first plenary meeting



#### HLG-IGIF CO-CHAIRS MESSAGE



Co-Chairs Dr. Tulu Besha Bedada and Ms. Deirdre Bishop were thrilled to have the HLG-IGIF together for the first time. We were thankful so many were able to attend in person. For those that were not able to attend, we missed you and hope to see you at the UN-GGIM 12<sup>th</sup> session in New York August 3-5 (with side events August 1 & 2).

#### A WORKING MEETING

The HLG-IGIF met in person for the first time April 26-28. The focus was on advancing the Plan of Work for the three priority goals:

- Improve Communication
- Strengthen Capacity Development
- Mobilize Sustainable Funding

#### BREAKOUT SESSIONS

The HLG broke out into three groups to review and discuss the tasks for each of the three priority goals and to assign tasks to HLG members. We hope all HLG-IGIF members will participate in advancing the Plan of Work.

To see what the HLG is up to follow our newsletter at:  
<https://ggim.un.org/UNGGIM-HLG-IGIF/>

Follow us on Twitter: @UN\_IGIF



### HIGH-LEVEL GROUP OF THE IGIF

August 2022

Highlights from the Twelfth Session of UN-GGIM



#### HLG-IGIF CO-CHAIRS MESSAGE



Co-Chairs Dr. Tulu Besha Bedada and Ms. Deirdre Bishop were delighted to see the IGIF featured so prominently in many meetings and sides events during the UN-GGIM 12<sup>th</sup> Session. The enthusiasm was amazing, and the many offers of support and collaboration are greatly appreciated. We could not advance this important work without the help and support of the many Regional Committees, Thematic Networks, Functional Groups, and other partners that make our work possible. Thank you!

#### HLG-IGIF SIDE EVENT

The HLG-IGIF Co-Chairs hosted a side event on *Advancing and Implementing the IGIF*, which featured panel discussions with the HLG-IGIF Working Group Co-Leads, the UN-GGIM Regional Committee Presidents and Chairs, and the Member States implementing IGIF. The event also highlighted how the IGIF is helping to advance the SDGs.

#### HLG-IGIF WORKING GROUPS

The HLG-IGIF Working Group Co-leads discussed the progress and challenges of the three working groups. Recent accomplishments include development of IGIF related surveys, webinars, side events, and panel discussions, as well as the completion of a Branding Package (logo, tagline, elevator pitch and PowerPoint template). Thank you to our amazing Co-Leads for all your efforts to advance the Plan of Work! To join a Working Group, please contact:

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Thank You!

Questions?