**GEOGRAPHY SERVICES USER FORUM - 4TH May PROGRAMME**

**THEME:** **JOINING UP GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS**

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| Registration and Coffee |  | 09:30 |
| Welcome  |  | 10:00 |
| Morning session: Sharing best practice – setting standards |
| The International Picture |
|  Mapping the international bodies and initiatives to share/join up stats and geography  | Ian Coady | 10:15 |
|  Driving progress through projects |  |  |
|  Sustainable Development Goals  | tba | 10:30 |
|  Earth Observation Data | Alison Matthews | 10:45 |
|  The UK Picture | Ian Coady | 11:05 |
|  Harmonising geography for official statistics: * Address Service for Government
* PSMA
* GSS committees
* Geography Champions in the GSS
* Central Government Group on Geography
* Published statistics – do they comply with GSS Geography Policy?
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| Who else has a role? Are there overlaps or gaps? Who leads/should lead?  | Group Exercise | 11:30 |
| Lunch and discussions |
| Afternoon session: Joining up in action - User Stories |
| Discovering statistics through geography – new developments in ONS  | tba, ONS  | 13:00 |
| Discovery through Linked Data | Elspeth Body, Defra | 13:30 |
| Managing changes in geography  | Roger Winter and Gerald Tessier, Boundary Commission for England and Wales  | 13:50 |
| Tools for sharing data/best practice  – using ArcGIS Online  | Tba, ONSHayley Holgate, Public Policy, ONS | 14:20 |
| Review of the day |  | 14:45 |
| Wrap Up and close |  | 15.00 |