

Best Practices – Data Sharing and Data Management in GEO:  
*Why Does **Open Data** Sharing and Sound Data Management Matter?*



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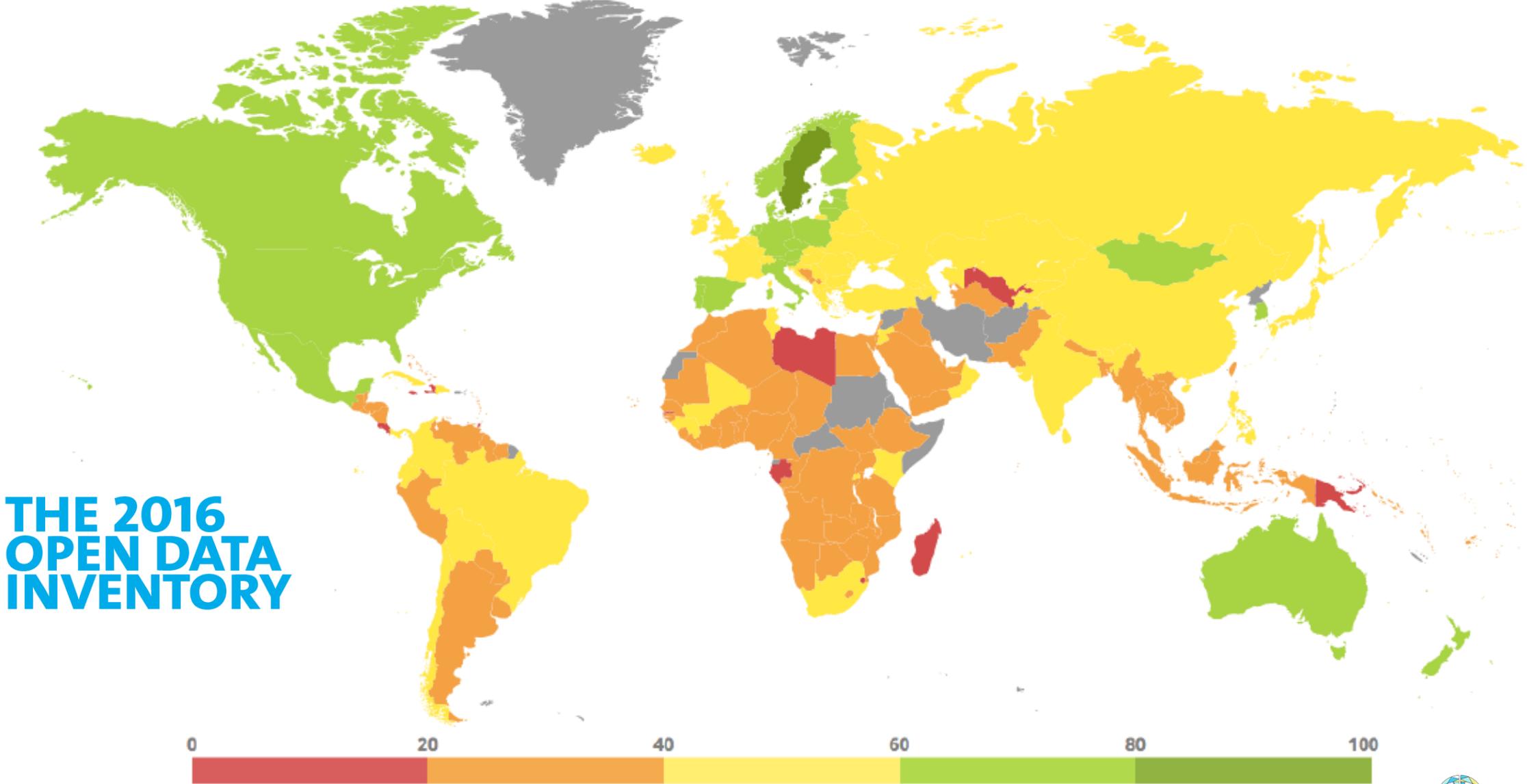
# Open data is defined as data that is:

- Open by default
- Timely and comprehensive
- Accessible and usable
- Comparable and interoperable
- For improved governance and citizen engagement
- For inclusive development and innovation

*Source: Open Data Charter*

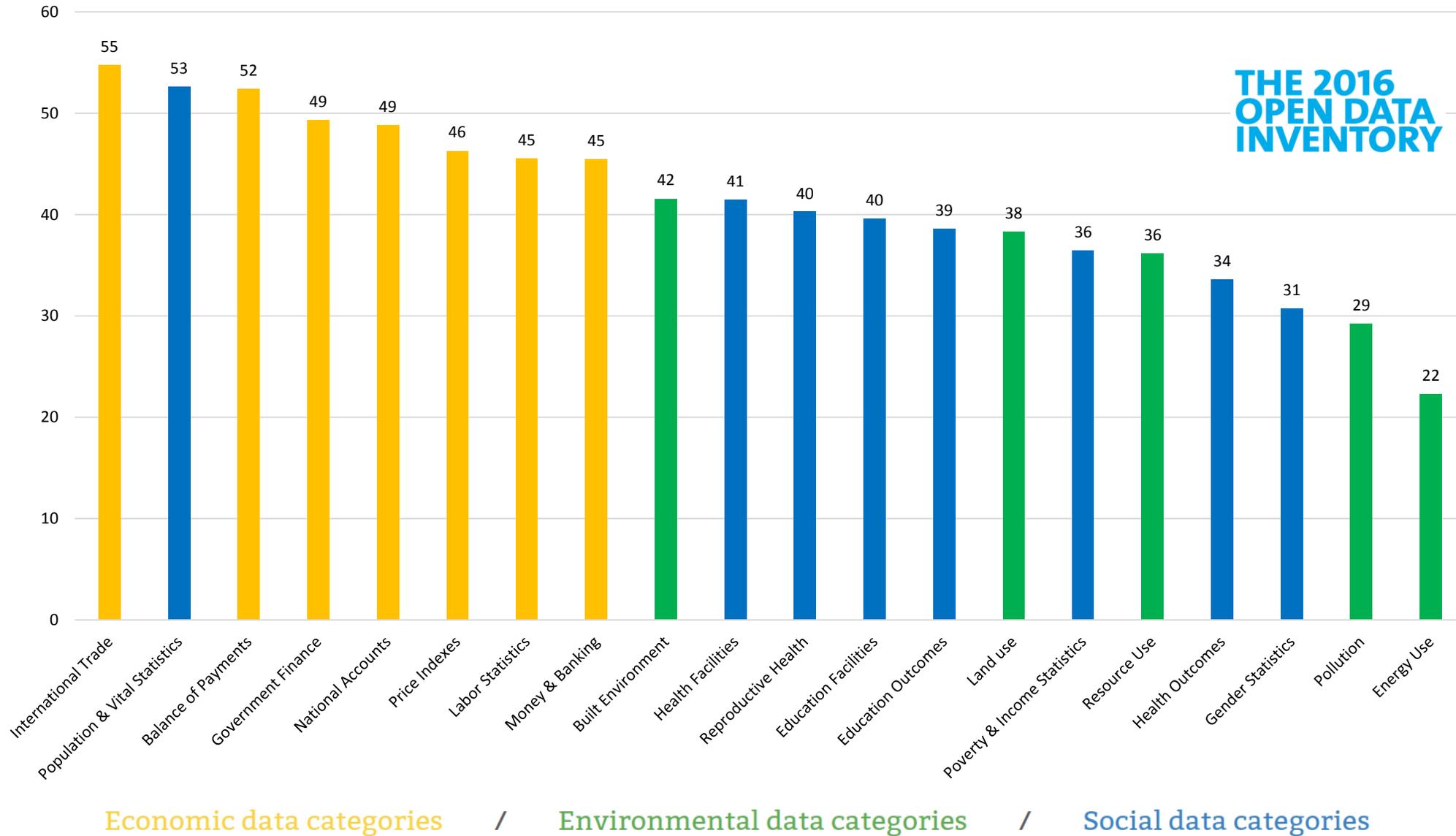


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**THE 2016  
OPEN DATA  
INVENTORY**

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## Discussions and consultation on Open Data for the SDGs

Open Data at the World Data Forum, January 2017

Open Data seminar around the 48th UNSC in March 2017

Open Data for SDGs conference in Korea on September 25-27, 2017

ICSDGS Conference in Philippines on October 4-6, 2017

Open Data at the 49th UNSC in March 2018

International Open Data Conference planned for September 2018  
World Data Forum October 2018

# Open Data: Not “IF” but “HOW”

“Promote the release of data as **open data by all data producers**, and build capacity for continuous data innovation.”

*- A World That Counts: Mobilizing The Data Revolution for Sustainable Development, 2014*

“Encourage national statistical offices **to embrace the open data initiative** and ensure stakeholders of the national statistical system as part of the process”

*- Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data, 2017*

“Official statistics that meet the test of practical utility are to be compiled and made available on an impartial basis by official statistical agencies to **honour citizens’ entitlement to public information.**”

*- The UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics, 2014*



# Open Data: Not “IF” but “HOW” Looking Ahead to 49<sup>th</sup> UNSC



Use NSDS to map the new strategy, including newly required legal and governance frameworks



Promote partnerships for data interoperability and integration with GEO data



Protect data privacy and security



Build capacity at all levels including to raise funds



Promote data use and impact





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