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Briefing on the modernistats Initiative

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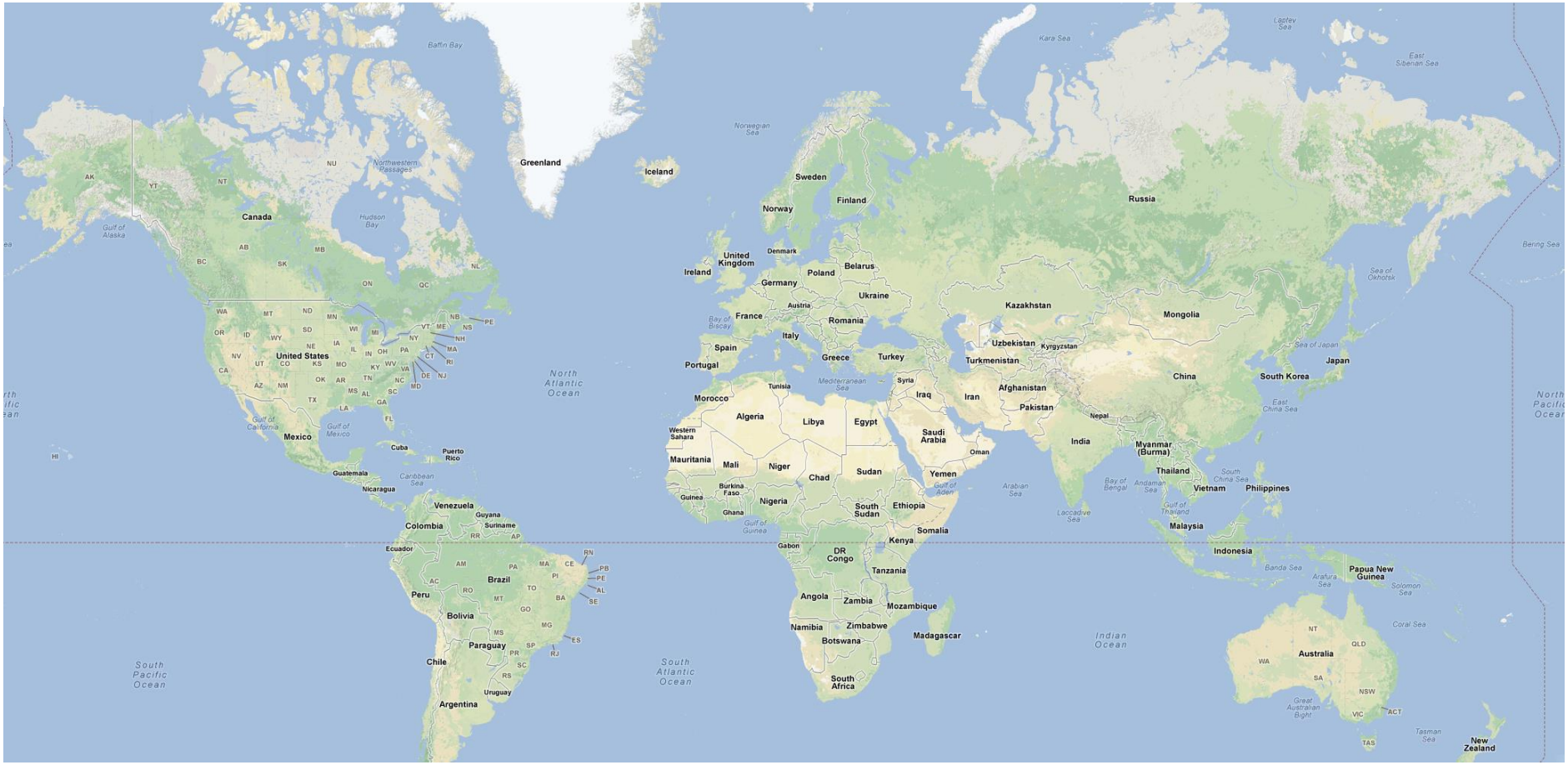
Introducing UNECE Statistics



UNECE Statistics: Priorities

- Population censuses, migration, gender
- Globalisation, National Accounts, employment, business registers
- Sustainable development, environmental accounts, climate change

- Modernisation

Introducing the HLG-MOS

- High-level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics
- Created by the CES Bureau in 2010
- Strategic vision endorsed by CES in 2011/2012
- Annual projects in priority areas
- Activities: **Voluntary and demand driven**

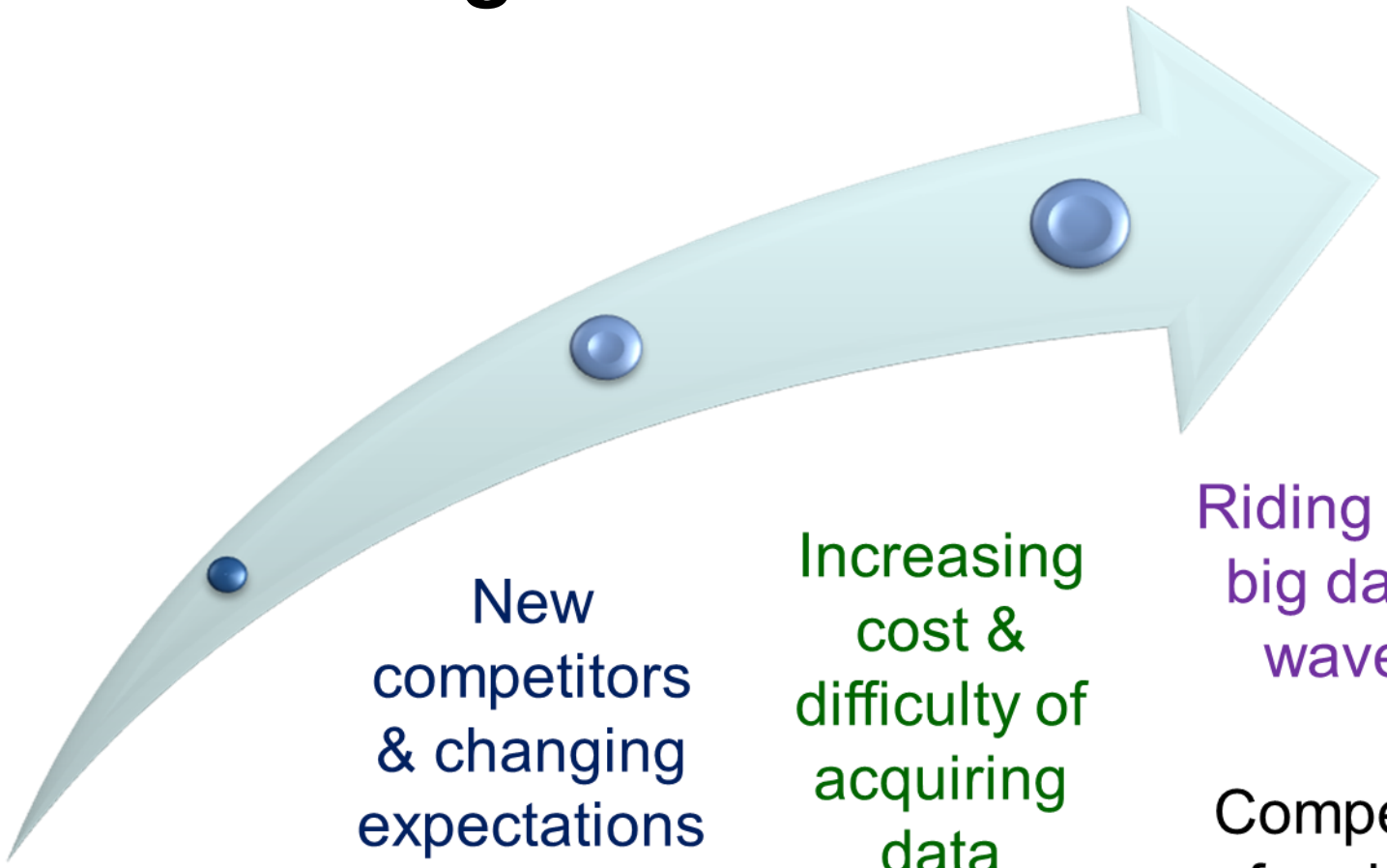
Who are the HLG-MOS members?

- Ireland - Chair
- Australia
- Canada
- Italy
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Republic of Korea
- Slovenia
- Eurostat
- OECD
- UNECE

Why is the HLG-MOS needed?

Before the HLG-MOS	Now
Many expert groups	Clear vision
Little coordination	Agreed priorities
No overall strategy	Strategic leadership
Limited impact	Real progress

The challenges



Rapid changes in the environment

New competitors & changing expectations

Reducing budget

Increasing cost & difficulty of acquiring data

Riding the big data wave

Competition for skilled resources

These challenges are too big for statistical organisations to tackle on their own

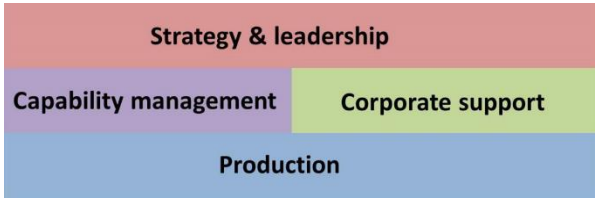
We need to work together

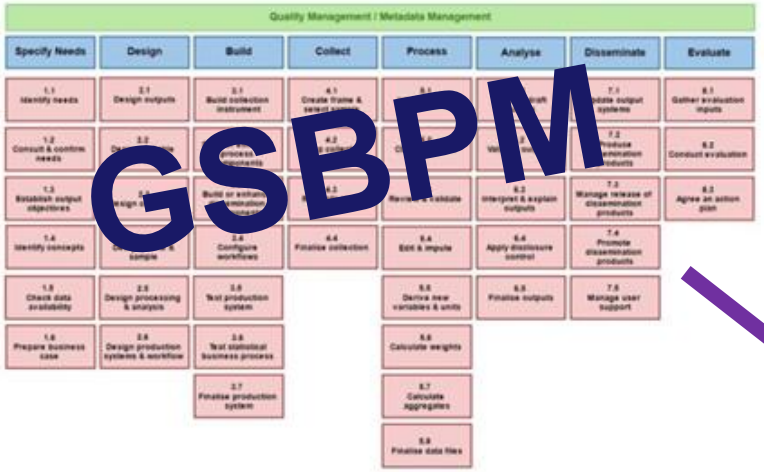
HLG-MOS

Expert Groups

Projects and activities

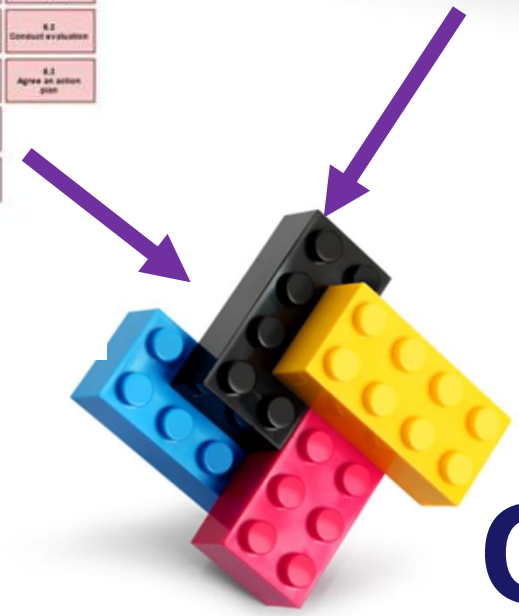
GAMSO





GSBPM

GSIM



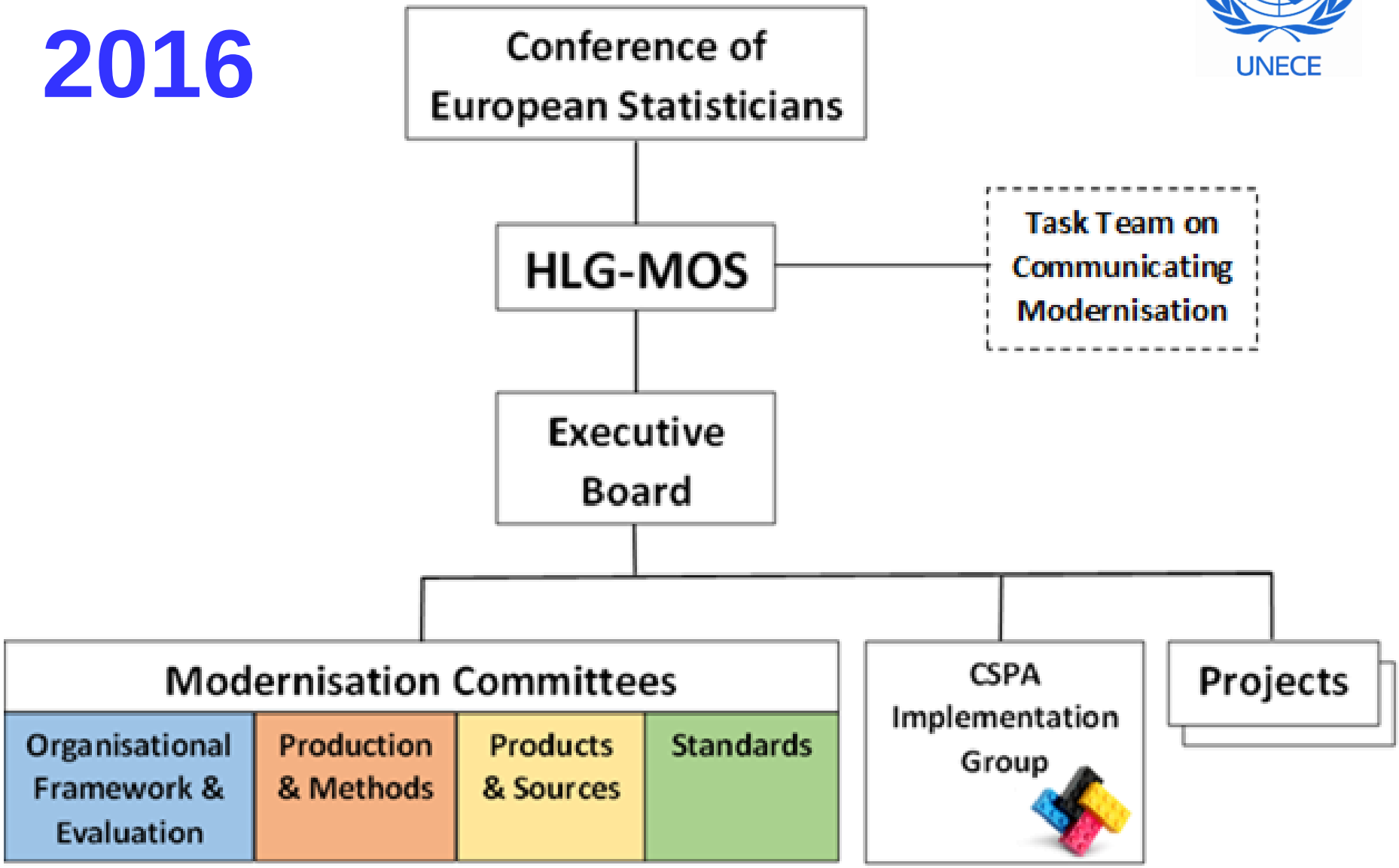
CSPA

2016 Projects

- Data integration
  - Statistics will rely on many sources in future: surveys, admin data, geo-spatial, Big Data, …
- Implementing Modernstats Standards
  - Linked open metadata
  - Modernisation Maturity Models / Roadmaps

Governance of Modernisation Activities

2016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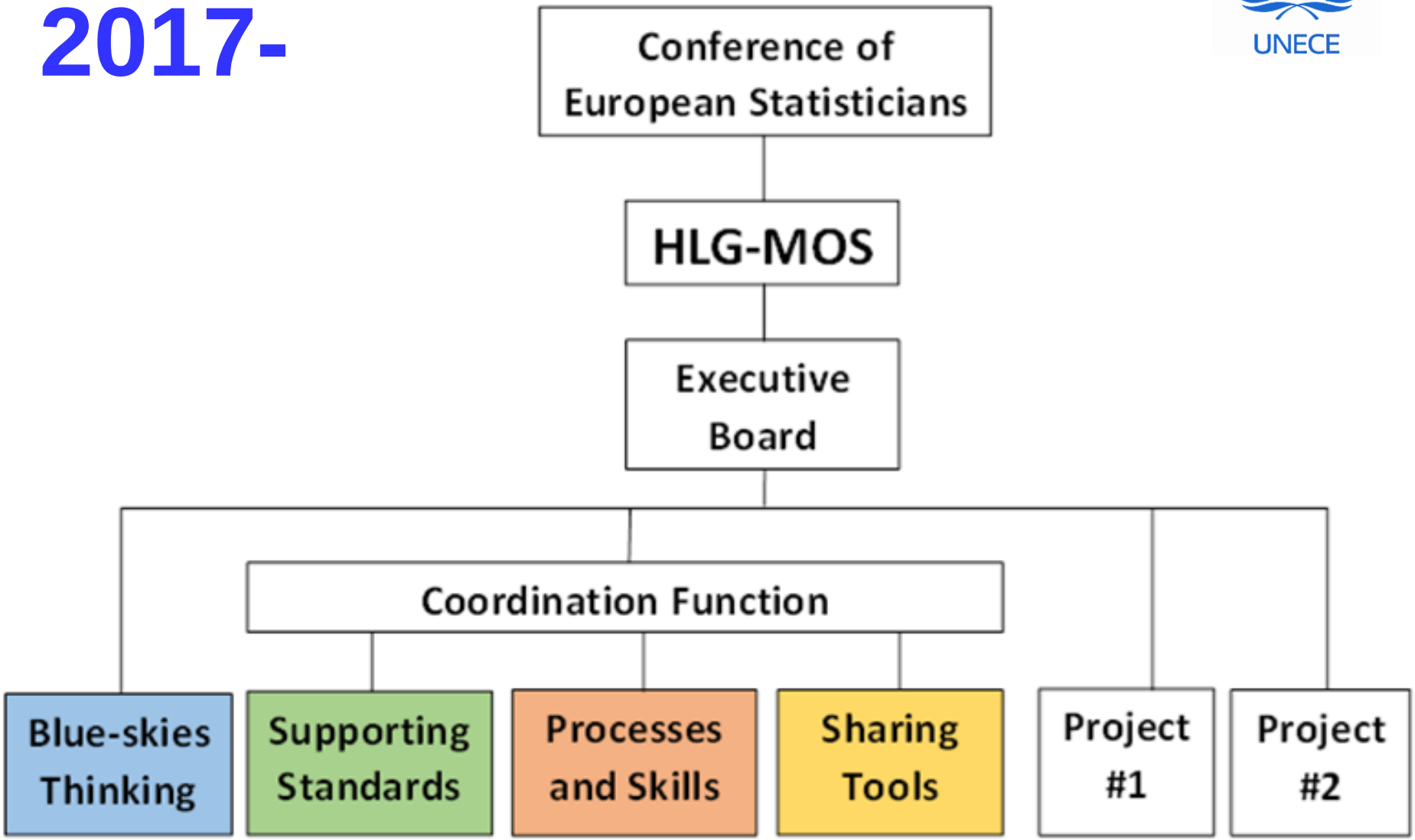
Executive Board
Modernisation Committees
Organisational Framework & Evaluation
Production & Methods
Products & Sources
Standards
CSPA Implementation Group
Projects

2017-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Coordination Function
Blue-skies Thinking
Supporting Standards
Processes and Skills
Sharing Tools
Project #1
Project #2

Supporting Standards Group

- Support implementation and use of GSBPM, GAMSO, GSIM, CSPA, …, including:
  - Answering questions and supporting implementers
  - Developing and publishing complementary materials, such as case studies, good practices, etc.
  - Workshops and training to promote and ensure consistent use of the HLG-MOS standards and models
  - Managing periodic reviews of standards and models. Next reviews of GSBPM / GSIM are scheduled for 2018
- Take on current work of the MC on Standards, and responsibility for CSPA documentation

Statistical Modernization Community

- Launched in 2016
- Open to all statistical organisations who endorse “Statement of Intent”
- No fee, but expectation to contribute
- Partners benefit from collaboration and sharing
- Four main principles:
  - Openness
  - Flexibility
  - Participation
  - Pragmatism

Get involved!

Anyone is welcome to contribute!

More Information

- HLG-MOS Wiki:

www1.unece.org/stat/platform/display/hlgbas

- LinkedIn group:

“Modernising official statistics”