



GEOSPATIAL PLANNING

Parallel Session Report Out



Discussion Questions

- What have you heard that you like about Ghana's approach to geospatial planning?
- What recommendations do you have for improvement?
 - *For data collection/quality?*
 - *Indicators/criteria for siting, energy source, generation capacity, etc.?*
 - *For integrating planning into decision-making?*

What are 3 key challenges/issues related to geospatial planning?

1. Ensuring accuracy of data collected
2. Avoiding a government siloed approach

Possible recommendations to address challenges/issues

- Challenge 1: Data accuracy/collection
 - *Develop a concrete data renewal/updating plan*
 - *Use a questionnaire to verify population data*
 - *Include immigration projections*
 - *Engage with district and municipal assemblies*
 - *Engage local communities to increase data credibility*
 - *Use on-the-ground data to enhance cost estimates*
 - *Consider funding use of drones/remote sensing*
 - *Engage other stakeholder for data – e.g. academics*
 - *Improve granularity of access data beyond the village level – consider using census to collect data*

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■ Challenge 2: Avoiding siloes

- *Develop a comprehensive integrated plan for mini grids, involving all ministries at the table*
- *Use an integrated approach across siloes to both pull data from and push data to different agencies*
- *Develop integrated data platform and uniform data standard*