Statement by Statistics Canada under agenda item 3(q)

Statcan commends the work presented by the FOC group and accepts both the maturity model as an approach to assess compliance to the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and the guidance proposed in the context of new data sources.

On this topic, we would like to reiterate Canada's willingness to share its recent experience on the use of new data source as we did in the side event on The Right to Privacy and the Need for Statistical Information. This side event had the Privacy Commissioner of Canada as a special guest and some of you, our esteemed colleagues, as panellists. If you missed the event, please know that we are working jointly on a Necessity and Proportionality Framework to address these questions and are happy to collaborate with interested parties on this topic.

Coming back to the FPOS, we concur that the FOC group has fulfilled its mandate for this round of review.