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**Working Group on Operational Policies - Status Report to the Arctic SDI Board**

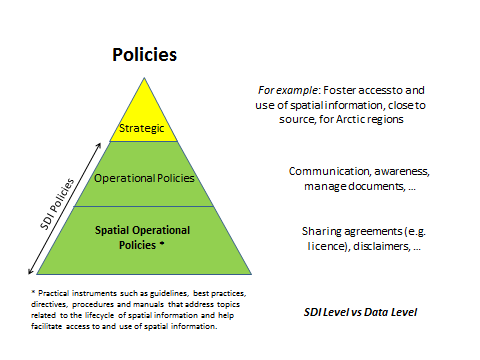
This is an update on activitiesfor the Arctic SDI Board Meeting 20-21 November 2014, Reykjavik Iceland:

* *The Working Group on Operational Policies* (lead Denmark, supporting countries Canada and USA) was established in May 2014.
* *The working group has met 3 times (May in USA, September in Iceland and October in Canada) back to back with other working group meetings.*

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|  | **Activity** | **Status** |
| Research and define Operational Policies | * Desk studies – publication etc. from UN-GGIM Americas, European Location Framework Project, National SDI’s from USA and Canada | *Ongoing* |
| Products | * Terms of Reference * Activity Plan 2014   Activity Plan 2015   * Background paper on the role of operational policies * Spatial Operational Policies for the Geoportal and its services | *Finalized*  *Finalized*  *Pending Strategy*  *To be finalized February 2015*  *Internal hearing process in the 8 Mapping Agencies January – May 2015* |

The focus of the work is

* To define – in the international context – what we understand by Operational Policies and
* To research work already done in this context
* To produce the legal text required for the Geoportal and Web Map Service
* To identify the most important policy areas for operational policy guidelines on SDI
* Prioritize the work on Operational Policies

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