Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Geospatial Insights Support Team: *The GIST*

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What is the GIST?
Vision
More equitable reach of essential goods and services from Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation programs as a direct result of improved spatial intelligence.
Top-level goals of the GIST

Direct support in smarter investments by BMGF program strategy teams which are more:

• Equitable
• Efficient in their use of resources

Indirect reach through community building which result in increased:

• Geospatial literacy inside our organization
• Geospatial integration into program strategies
• Geospatial capacity globally
Questions we help our programs answer:

• Where are the most vulnerable populations?
• How are vulnerable people moving over time? How do events like disasters, conflict, or climate change impact vulnerable populations?
• How can we improve our delivery planning to reach underserved people?
• How does where a person lives effect their health outcomes?
• Where are the focal points of disease transmission in space and time? How might these focal points change over time?
• Does the infrastructure exist for people to equitably access relevant and quality care?
Investment Portfolio

GRID³
Working with countries to generate, validate and use geospatial data on population, settlements, infrastructure, and boundaries

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Working with de-identified mobile operator data, satellite and household survey data to support your needs for data-driven insights
Thank you!