

# DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS STATISTICS DIVISION UNITED NATIONS

Fourth Meeting of the UN Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting New York, 24-26 June 2009 Millennium UN Plaza Hotel – Manhattan Room

#### ORGANIZATION OF WORK

#### Wednesday, 24 June 2009

Registration of participants (9:30-10:00) – Millennium Hotel

*Morning Session* (10:00 – 1:00)

- 1. Opening of the meeting
  - a. Opening statement by Paul Cheung, Director, United Nations Statistics Division
  - b. Opening remarks by Peter Harper, Chair UNCEEA and Australian Deputy Statistician
  - c. Adoption of the agenda (UNCEEA/4/1)
- 2. Nexus of economic growth, development and environment (for information/discussion)
  - a. Climate Change (Organized by UNDP)

Afternoon Session (2:30-5:30)

- 2. Nexus of economic growth, development and environment (Cont'ed)
  - b. Green Economy, Resource Productivity, The Economics of Ecosystem Services (organized by UNEP)
    - The Economics of Ecosystem Services (Haripiya Gundimeda on behalf of UNEP)
    - Resource Efficiency and Resource Productivity (Guido Sonnemann UNEP-Division of Technology, Industry and Economics on behalf of the Panel for Resource Efficiency and Resource Productivity)
- Green Economy Initiative and Global Green New Deal (Fulai Sheng-UNEP) Reception hosted by the United Nations Statistics Division

#### Thursday, 25 June 2009

*Morning Session* (10:00 – 1:00)

- 3. Frameworks of Environmental-Economic Accounting and Environment Statistics
  - a. Dutch environmental accounts (Statistics Netherlands)
  - b. A Framework for Developing Environment Statistics (Statistics Canada)
  - c. Natural Resources Accounting for Forestry Sector- A Case Study (Indian Statistical Institute)

#### Afternoon Session (2:30-6:00)

- 4. Governance, mandate, terms of reference of the Committee (*for decision*)— Paper prepared by the UNSD (UNCEEA/4/5)
- 5. Review of mandate of the Inter-Secretariat Working Group on Environment Statistics (*for discussion*) Paper prepared by the ISWG-Environment Statistics (UNCEEA/4/14)
- 6. Programme of work UNCEEA (for discussion) Paper prepared by the UNSD (UNCEEA/4/6)
- 7. Revision of the SEEA
  - a. Progress Report London Group (*for discussion*) Paper prepared by the Chair of the London Group (UNCEEA/4/7)
  - b. Draft Annotated outline Volume 1 revised SEEA (for discussion) Paper prepared by Peter Comisari (UNCEEA/4/8)
  - c. Valuation of ecosystem benefits and damages in the SEEA: Progress report (for discussion) –Paper prepared by the World Bank (UNCEEA/4/9)
  - d. Land Cover and Land Use Classifications in the SEEA Revision (for discussion) paper prepared by the European Environment Agency and FAO (UNCEEA/4/11)
  - e. Timeline and Process for the Revision of the SEEA (*for discussion*) Paper prepared by UNSD (UNCEEA/4/12)
  - f. Funding Situation for the Project Revision of the SEEA (*for discussion*) Paper prepared by the UNSD (UNCEEA/4/13)

### **Friday, 26 June 2009**

*Morning Session* (9:30 – 1:00)

- 8. Linking agricultural statistics to environment statistics (*for discussion*) Paper/ presentation prepared by FAO (UNCEEA/4/15)
- 9. Implementation of the SEEAW Current status and way forward(for discussion)
  - a. Implementation of the SEEAW Paper prepared by UNSD (UNCEEA/4/16)
  - b. Joint Monitoring Programme (UNCEEA/4/17a) and UN-Water Global Annual Assessment of Sanitation and Drinking Water (GLAAS) (UNCEEA/4/17b) Presentations prepared by UNICEF and WHO
  - c. Outcome of the deliberation of the Expert Group on Monitoring, Indicators and Databases, including the way forward Paper/presentation prepared by the World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) (UNCEEA/4/18)
  - d. Regional activities
    - i. Europe Presentations prepared by the European Environment Agency (UNCEEA/4/19)
    - ii. Latin America and Caribbean Region Paper/presentation prepared by ECLAC (UNCEEA/4/20)
    - iii. Developing Water Accounts for the Arab-ESCWA Region Paper/presentation prepared by ESCWA (UNCEEA/4/21)

## Afternoon Session (2:30-6:00)

- 10. Progress of work on manuals and other publications
  - a. International Recommendations for Energy Statistics (for discussion) Paper prepared by UNSD (UNCEEA/4/22)
  - b. SEEA-Energy: Progress Report (for discussion) Paper prepared by UNSD (UNCEEA/4/23a) and Reflection Group on Energy Accounts (for discussion) Paper prepared by Eurostat (UNCEEA/4/23b)
  - c. SEEA-MFA: Drafting Process (for discussion) Paper prepared by UNSD (UNCEEA/4/24)
- 11. Reports of groups working under the auspices of the UNCEEA
  - a. Report of the Oslo Group on Energy Statistics (for information) (UNCEEA/4/25)
  - b. 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the London Group on Environmental Accounting Report of the Meeting (*for information*) Paper prepared by the London Group (UNCEEA/4/26)
  - c. Work on material flows and resource productivity (for information) OECD (UNCEEA/4/27)
  - d. Outcome of the work of the Working Group on Statistics for Sustainable Development and the creation of a new TF for Measuring Sustainable Development (for information) Paper prepared by UNECE secretariat (UNCEEA/4/28)

- e. Joint Task Force of the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy and the CES on Environmental Indicators in the CIS Countries TO Further Strengthen Environmental Reporting (for information) Paper prepared by UNECE secretariat (UNCEEA/4/29)
- f. Plans for Undertaking Work on Statistics on Climate Change under the Auspices of the Conference of European Statisticians *(for information)* Paper prepared by UNECE secretariat (UNCEEA/4/30)
- g. OECD-Eurostat Task Force Emission Permits in the National Accounts (for information) Eurostat and OECD (UNCEEA/4/31)
- 12. Other
- 13. Conclusions