

# Friends of the Chair Group on broader measures of progress

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# The FOC group's mandate

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Set up by the Statistical Commission in response to the RIO+20 mandate for broader measures of progress

- 1- To build a work programme to develop broader measures of progress based on a stocktaking exercise of practices in this field
- 2- To undertake an active dialogue with United Nations bodies and the policy sphere in order to ensure that a robust statistical measurement approach is incorporated from the outset in preparations for the post-2015 development agenda.

# Composition of the FOC Group and modes of operation

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- Composed of 22 countries and 3 regional organizations  
Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Botswana, Brazil, Cameroon, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Italy, Jamaica, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, Norway, Philippines, Surinam, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Uganda, United Kingdom  
+Eurostat +UNECE+ OECD
- Co-chaired by France and India
- A deliverable for the 2013 and 2014 Statistical Commissions
- Functioning on a virtual basis; Only physical meetings back to back with other conferences
- Sharing information and fostering discussion thanks to a UN dedicated website  
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/broaderprogress/default.htm>

# FOC Group's main activities (1)

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- Analysing the report of the High Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the post 2015 Development agenda
- Providing with UNSD, a compendium of statistical notes for the OWG, currently working on setting out SDGs
- Contributing to the animation of an informal meeting with the Open Working Group dedicated to monitoring and measuring, on 17 December 2013
- Providing a stocktaking exercise on activities beyond GDP all around the world

## FOC Group's main activities (2)

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- Reporting to the Statistical Commission in March 2014
- Evaluating the SDSN proposals for indicators  
FOC members (13 countries), 3 regional organizations  
and 15 international organizations rating the indicators
- An indicator mapping exercise with OWG targets  
Matching OWG targets with 3 indicators set (SDSN,  
MDGs and SDI adopted by the CES )

Providing an initial and rough illustration of the current indicators and in which domains information is more readily available and where information is potentially scarce

# Report 2014 to the Statistical Commission

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## Key messages for policy makers

- A universal post-2015 development agenda needed
- The post 2015 agenda should reflect the 3-dimensional nature of well-being (here and now, later and elsewhere)
- An early and continued close involvement of the statistical community is necessary
- Open access to and use of data should be promoted
- Build on the lessons learnt from the monitoring of MDGs
- Take account of national and regional specificities
- Include a target in SDGs related to an effective official statistical system
- Need for statistical capacity development

# Working programme 2014-2015

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- Continue to provide and facilitate statistical support in the design of the SDGs and the post-2015 development agenda, in order to ensure that statistical considerations are appropriately taken into account
- Develop and pursue a workplan for the development and implementation of a monitoring framework for the post-2015 development agenda
- Organize the reflection on new data developments required
- Make a proposal for how a target related to an effective official statistical system could be formulated and supported by indicators

# UNCEEA Expert group's proposal to support FOC activities

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- The Chairmen of the FOC Group welcomes the UNCEEA Expert group's proposal to offer its expertise in support of FOC activities. This expertise concerns in particular on issues related to the measurement of economic environmental integration as well as methodologies for indicators on the environment and its relations to economic and human activities.
- The Chairmen of the FOC Group suggest UNCEEA Expert group send to the FOC group its suggestions to incorporate in the FOC group's work, at any time it considers necessary .



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# Thank you for your attention !

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