# LONDON GROUP ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC ACCOUNTING 18<sup>th</sup> MEETING STATISTICS CANADA OTTAWA

## AGENDA, 2-4 OCTOBER 2012

## Tuesday, 2 October 2012, Morning Session

Opening (9.30 AM)

• Welcome on behalf of Statistics Canada, by Art Ridgeway, Assistant Chief Statistician, National Accounts and Analytical Studies (15 minutes)

Updates on UNCEEA and RIO+20 business, Alessandra Alfieri (30 minutes)

- Implementation of the SEEA-Central Framework
- Project Management Framework for the SEEA -- Experimental Ecosystem Accounts and SEEA -- Extensions and Applications

Session 1 – SEEA -- Experimental Ecosystem Accounts

In this session the London Group will be informed of progress in the drafting of the SEEA -- Experimental Ecosystem Accounts. Draft chapters will be presented with the aim of highlighting measurement and other issues. Country examples will be presented to further illustrate the topics and propose approaches and solutions for consideration to the London Group.

1.1 Policy setting, Glenn-Marie Lange (30 minutes)

# 10:30 Break for coffee

- 1.2 Accounting models and concepts
  - Introduction of key elements of SEEA Part 2 and measurement challenges, Carl Obst (90 minutes)

### 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

### Tuesday, 2 October 2012, Afternoon Session

- International Classification of Ecosystem Services, Jean-Louis Weber / UNSD (45 minutes)
- Accounting for biodiversity, Per Arild Garnåsjordet (30 minutes)
- Extended production and sequence of accounts, Lars Hein and Bram Edens (60 minutes)

### 3:00 Break for coffee

- Extended production and sequence of accounts, Lars Hein and Bram Edens (continued)
- Accounting for carbon, SEEA editor (30 minutes)

# 1.3 Country examples and accounting practices

• Land accounting in Québec: Pilot project for a sub-provincial area, Stephanie Uhde (45 minutes)

### 5:00 Depart for group dinner at Mill Street Brewpub

### Wednesday, 3 October 2012, Morning Session

9:00 Session 1, continued

- Measuring ecosystem goods and services in Canada, François Soulard (45 minutes)
- Ecosystem accounting in Australia, Mark Eigenraam and Michael Vardon (45 minutes)

# 10:30 Break for coffee

- Ecosystem accounting in the UK, Rocky Harris and Jawed Khan (45 minutes)
- Progress of work at the EEA, Jean-Louis Weber (45 minutes)

### 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

## Wednesday, 3 October 2012, Afternoon Session

*Session 2 – SEEA -- Extensions and Applications* 

This session will present the draft text of the SEEA -- Extensions and Applications, highlighted with examples on specific topics.

- Discussion of draft SEEA -- Extensions and Applications, SEEA editor (60 minutes)
- State of play CREEA and Exiopol projects:
  - Water and forest accounts, Viveka Palm (45 minutes)

### 3:00 Break for coffee

- Multiregional IO modelling, Bram Edens (45 minutes)
- Perspectives on Environmental Input-Output Modelling, Joe St. Lawrence (45 minutes)

# 6:30 Group dinner at Lone Star Texas Grill

## Thursday, 4 October 2012, Morning Session

9:00 Session 3 – Energy Accounts and Statistics

This session will focus on *SEEA* -- *Energy* and the *Energy Statistics Compilers Manual* (*ESCM*) being developed by the Oslo Group. The purpose of the session is to discuss the content of the *SEEA* -- *Energy* draft and to discuss an annotated outline of the ESCM.

- SEEA -- Energy draft chapters, UNSD (60 minutes)
- Energy accounts in Canada, Cindy LeCavalier (15 minutes)

# 10:30 Break for coffee

- Energy Statistics Compilers Manual Annotated outline (*Oslo Group, 45 minutes*)
- List of data items for SEEA, UNSD (45 minutes)
- Energy Accounts in the European Statistical System (ESS) state of the art, Anton Steurer (10 minutes)

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

Thursday, 4 October 2012, Afternoon Session

Session 4 – Water Accounts and Statistics

This session will focus on the *Guideline for the Compilation of Water Accounts and Statistics* The purpose of the session is to inform on the project management framework and to discuss an annotated outline of the *Guideline as well as identify possible contributors of country experiences*.

• Project Management Framework and Annotated Outline for the Guidelines for the Compilation of Water Accounts and Statistics, (UNSD, 45 minutes)

*Session 5 – SEEA-- Agriculture* 

This session will focus on SEEA—Agriculture. The purpose of this section is to discuss the plans to advance the work on SEEA-Agriculture and identify possible contributions from the London Group.

• SEEA - Agriculture, (FAO, 30 minutes)

3:00 Break for coffee

# Session 6 – Implementation of SEEA Central Framework

This session will discuss an interim report from the *Task Force on SEEA Implementation*, and will then focus on the experiences of countries who have recently undertaken the implementation of environmental accounts.

- Preliminary Task Force report, Sjoerd Schenau (60 minutes)
- Implementation roadmap India, Suresh Kumar (to be confirmed, 30 minutes)

Session 7 – Election of the London Group Chair and any other business (30 minutes)

The Chair of the London Group, Mark de Haan, will step down after this meeting. In this session a new chair will be elected.

Closing of the meeting and way forward