

# Proposed Outline for a System of Extended International and Global Accounts

1. **Executive Summary: What's New and Why is it important?**
2. **Background**
  - a. The changing nature of international trade, global production and global finance
  - b. The need for extended measures of global production and finance
  - c. Importance of linkages to:
    - i. Existing guidelines (SNA/BPM)
    - ii. Existing core accounts (NA/BP)
    - iii. Recent research on concepts and methods (UNECE Globalization Guidelines, IMF Integrated Financial Accounts and OECD Trade in Value-Added)
    - iv. Extension of, and supplement to, existing standards, accounts, and research (macroeconomic policy, as well as for trade, regulatory, tax, environmental, national security regional, and other policies)
  - d. New system will provide clear linkages to, and integration with, existing accounts.
    - i. Such integration of concepts and methods make extended international accounts a powerful tool for macroeconomic policy, as well as for trade, regulatory, tax, environmental, national security, regional development, and other policies. Specifically, these extended, or satellite accounts will:
      - Provide additional breakdowns of existing international entries in the core accounts, such as breakdowns of exports and imports by the characteristics of traders.
      - Provide global linkages, with alternate scope and concepts, to the core accounts, such as global supply and use tables that link to expanded country tables and can provide a decomposition of trade and bilateral balances on a value-added basis.
      - Provide a consistent framework for developing new measures, without overburdening, or reducing the accuracy or consistency of the core accounts
3. **System of Extended International and Global Accounts Framework**
  - a. Overview – Goal is an integrated decomposition and linkages for production, international trade, income, assets and liabilities, and environmental-economic transactions across regions, countries and industries
  - b. Key features of the SEIGA Framework
    - i. Relationship of SEIGA to the System of National Accounts
    - ii. Relationship of SEIGA to the Balance of Payments
    - iii. Relationship of SEIGA to the System of Environmental Economic Accounting
    - iv. Strong focus on relevance to public policy and private decisions

- v. Incremental and cost-effective approach with a focus on work that improves core accounts and SEIGA
  - vi. Key extensions:
    1. Extended global and regional supply and use tables
    2. Extended production, income, capital, and financial accounts
    3. Supplemental information on employment and distribution of income
- c. Accounting Structure
- i. Introduction
  - ii. Overview
  - iii. Main accounts and tables of the SEIGA framework
    - Extended supply and use tables
    - Extended production accounts
    - Extended trade, income, and investment accounts
    - Extended capital and financial accounts
    - Supplemental employment and distribution of income data
    - Accounting for cross-country value-added
    - Accounting for cross-border income
    - Accounting for cross-border assets and liabilities
    - Stocks, flows, and accounting rules
  - iv. Extensions to information on the geographic breakdown of intermediate inputs (value-added chains) by industry, business functions, employment by occupation, and additional detail on industry, firm size, ownership, and trading status
  - v. Extensions of Cross-Border Accounts:
    - “Factoryless” goods production estimates
    - Modes of supply for trade in services
    - Additional detail in supply and use tables
    - Trade and foreign direct investment (affiliated party trade)
    - Inward and Outward Foreign affiliate statistics (U.S. operations data)
    - Outsourcing (foreign and domestic)
    - Firm heterogeneity (export intensities, firm size, productivity, ownership, business functions)
- d. Developing Global Accounts
- i. World Accounts
  - ii. Multi-Regional Accounts
  - iii. Country Accounts
  - iv. Global Supply and Use Tables: Overview of Methods
  - v. Integration with existing I-O and integration of extended information
  - vi. Globally consolidated MNC accounts (MNC operations accounts)
  - vii. Ownership-based BOP accounts
  - viii. Consolidated financial accounts

ix. Macro-prudential Country and Global Risk Accounts

**4. Extension of SEIGA to International Financial Accounts**

- a. Ultimate beneficial owner and ultimate creditor/debtor
- b. Integrated real and financial sectoral accounts
- c. Linkages across systemically important countries: alignment of SEIA and SGA with SNA/ BOP of G-8 countries

(Overview of, and links to, work on G20 Data Gaps Initiative on cross-border financial linkages, risk, and vulnerability and IMF and Country work)

**5. Applications of SEIGA**

- a. Estimating Trade in Value Added
  - i. Methods
  - ii. Source Data
  - iii. Rules of thumb for dealing with unresolved issues from the Research Agenda (Appendix I)
- b. Integrating additional information on employment, firm size, export intensity, intangibles, ownership, geography, etc.
- c. Integrating and using the SEIGA with the SNA, BOP and SEEA
  - i. Macro tools
  - ii. Micro tools
- d. Research and public policy uses
- e. Business, investor, and household uses

**6. Data collection issues**

- a. High quality business registers
- b. Global Enterprise Group Register
- c. Linking trade and investment with business registers
- d. Extensions of existing surveys
- e. New surveys

(providing new information on the geographic breakdown of intermediate inputs (value-added chains), business functions, employment by occupation and additional detail on industry, firm size, ownership, and trading status)

**7. Data compilation issues – addressing Bilateral and Global Asymmetries**

- a. Differences in partner country attribution
- b. Statistical valuation
- c. Time of recording
- d. Classification systems and country classification within those systems
- e. Special issues with services data
- f. International income, financial flows, and balance sheet data
- g. Statistical quality and balancing methods:

- i. Mathematical algorithms
  - ii. Expert judgement
  - iii. Hybrid: quality-weighted statistical algorithms
- h. Data linking and reconciliation to provide improved accuracy, additional detail on industry, firm size, ownership, employment by occupation and wage, and trading status.
  - i. Micro data
  - ii. Aggregates and sub aggregates
  - iii. Privacy Issues and Incentives

**8. Annex I: Overview of Research Agenda Related to Globalization and the SEIGA**

**9. References**

**10. Glossary**

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