

Statistical Commission side event

# **The IAOS Network of Friends of Official Statistics in support of implementation of FPOS.**

9 February 2026 (Virtual)

3:00 PM New York Time

Organiser: IAOS Network of FOS

## **Microsoft Teams meeting**

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The global data ecosystem is rapidly evolving, presenting new opportunities and challenges for national statistical offices, international agencies, and other data producers. As countries work to safeguard the trustworthiness, impartiality, and quality of official statistics, the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (FPOS) remain the cornerstone of ethical, professional, and credible statistical systems.

The Friends of Official Statistics Network – a global community of former senior statisticians, academics, experts, and advocates – can play a unique and increasingly important role in advancing these principles through advocacy, support, and advice, contributing to stronger national statistical systems and evidence-based decision-making across society.

This side event will explore how the FOS Network can support efforts to uphold and strengthen the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics. It will also provide an opportunity to learn more about the upcoming United Nations Consultative Advisory Board on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and its envisioned role, and to discuss how the FOS Network could support it in practice.