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## 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for the 2030 Agenda (HLG-PCCB)

Hybrid meeting: Hangzhou, China at the sidelines of the fourth UN World Data Forum 24 and 28 April 2023 (Part I & II), Open meeting

### Opening

1. Ms. Awad chaired the first part of the meeting prior to the fourth UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) being held in Hangzhou, China and Ms. Dhuli (co-chairs) chaired the second part held after the Forum. This summary is a combined record of the two meetings. Following the decision at the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting, both parts were open and included issue partners as well as members of the UNWDF Programme Committee.
2. Mr. Schweinfest (secretariat) gave some opening remarks and thanked members, issue partners and the Programme Committee for their hard work over the past 18 months planning the fourth United Nations World Data Forum (UNWDF); in particular the resolve of the Government of the People's Republic of China, including the Zhejiang Province, Hangzhou City and the National Bureau of Statistics to hold the UNWDF at the tail end of a global pandemic and take the necessary steps to ensure the health and safety of those in attendance as well as put the infrastructure in place for a large virtual audience to follow and engage with the programme live.

### UN World Data Forum (UNWDF): Hangzhou 2023

#### a. Logistical arrangements

3. Deputy Commissioner Mao Youfeng (China) welcomed members to Hangzhou, China. He looked forward to a full 4-day programme of events to mark the fourth UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) and mentioned some of the highlights from the preparations with the setting of the venue, the exhibit space, publicity from the international, national and local media. Deputy Commissioner Mao Shengyong (China) in the second meeting reflected on the successful conclusion of the Forum and congratulated those at the meeting for assembling such a compelling programme.
4. Ms. Badiie (Programme Committee co-chair) on behalf of the Programme Committee reported on the committee's work with the host to select the final programme of 6

plenary sessions and 88 parallel sessions, including 3 announcement sessions, 6 sessions of 3 short-talks, 11 learning labs and 3 demos. The [media page](#) on the UNWDF website contains links to the session recordings, press materials and social media.

#### **b. Hangzhou declaration - outcome document**

5. The secretariat shared the final text of the [outcome document](#). The text was developed through a HLG-PCCB sub-group and shared with the all the whole group through an email dated 15 April 2023. The document was officially launched during the [closing session](#).

#### **c. Initial reflections and key lessons learned**

6. Members and issue partners reflected on the fourth UNWDF and made the following suggestions for preparing the next Forum:
  - Find ways to monitor the change indirectly or directly attributable to the Forum and make better connections to the innovations in financing underpinning the Forum to present them at wider global events like the SDG Summit 2023, and the Summit of the Future 2024.
  - Improve the representation of youth, private sector and other parts of Government dealing with the digitalisation agenda, including on the Programme Committee
  - Curtail the number of remote speakers allowable at the next Forum and reduce the number of parallel events and plenary sessions (i.e. 1-a-day)
  - Maintain the four themes established this year by the Programme Committee
  - Do more to orientate new participants to the workings of the Forum such as through the reprisal of the webinar series
  - Do more with the concept of local meetups for those wishing to gather in a nearer locality and regional pre-events to reduce the travel costs and promote different ways to participate
  - Promote greater multilingualism in the conduct of the programme and contents generated by the Forum

**Action: UN Secretariat to circulate an evaluation questionnaire to collect additional feedback on the holding of the fourth UNWDF from HLG-PCCB members, issue partners and PC members.**

#### **UN World Data Forum 2023 and 2024 preliminary planning and expectations**

7. Mr. Trujillo and Mr. Mendez (Colombia) gave some preliminary details of the preparations for the fifth UN World Data Forum to take place in Medellín with the venue selected and coordination already begun with different parts of the Government.

**Action: UN Secretariat will promptly begin substantive discussions with the next host country on the logistics, programme and communications for the fifth UN World Data Forum.**

## Administrative arrangements for 2023/24 meetings

8. The secretariat reminded members of the up-coming rotation policy for the group in conjunction with that of the [IAEG-SDGs](#), where members within their regional commission will decide the future membership composition of the group for the next two years. This process is usually concluded by May 2023 so that the new membership is effective starting June 1, and the secretariat can promptly reach out to the new members to schedule the remaining two meetings of the group planned for 2023.

## Annex 1: Agenda

### Thirtieth meeting of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

**Date/ time:** Monday, 24 April 2023, 10:30pm – 12:30pm (local time, CST)

**Location:** In-person – Hangzhou International Expo (Hangzhou, China)

#### Agenda

Time (CET)	OPEN MEETING ITEMS	Item type
10:30 – 10:45pm	1. Opening	
10:45 – 11:30pm	2. UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) Hangzhou 2023	
	a. Logistical arrangements	For information
	b. Hangzhou declaration	For information
11:30 – 12:25pm	3. Administrative arrangements for 2022/23 meetings	
	a. Review of working arrangements	For discussion
	b. Work plan and meetings 2022/23	For discussion
12:25 – 12:30pm	4. AOB / Summary	

**Date/ time:** Friday, 28 April 2023, 9:30am – 11:30am (local time, CST)

**Location:** In-person – International Expo Centre (Hangzhou, China)

Time (CET)	OPEN MEETING ITEMS	Item type
09:30 – 09:45am	1. Opening	
09:45 – 10:45am	2. UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) Hangzhou 2023	
	a. Initial reflections	For discussion
	b. Key lessons learned	For discussion
10:45 – 11:15am	3. UN World Data Forum 2024 preliminary planning and expectations	
11:15 – 11:20am	4. Any other business	
11:20 – 11:30am	5. Summary and next steps	

## Annex 2: List of participants

### Thirtieth meeting of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

#### HLG-PCCB member countries

1.	Albania (co-chair)	Ms. Elsa Dhuli, Institute of Statistics (INSTAT-Albania)
2.	Albania	Mr. Olsida Spiro, Institute of Statistics (INSTAT-Albania)
3.	State of Palestine (co-chair)	Ms. Ola Awad, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)
4.	State of Palestine	Ms. Safia Ibrahim, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)
5.	Cameroon	Mr. Barnabe Okouda, Institut national de la statistique (INS-Cameroun)
6.	China	Mr. Mao Shengyong, National Bureau of Statistics (NBS-China)
7.	China	Mr. Mao Youfeng, National Bureau of Statistics (NBS-China)
8.	China	Ms. Zha Ruixian, National Bureau of Statistics (NBS-China)
9.	Kyrgyzstan	Mr. Baktybek Kudaibergenov, National Statistical Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic
10.	Lebanon	Ms. Marleine Bakhos, Central Administration of Statistics (CAS-Lebanon)
11.	Mexico	Ms. Graciela Márquez, Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI-México) [connected virtually]
12.	Mexico	Ms. Ariadna Díaz, Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI-México) [connected virtually]
13.	Morocco	Mr. Ayache Khellaf, Haut-Commissariat au Plan (HCP-Maroc)
14.	Philippines	Ms. Marizza Grande, Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)
15.	Poland	Ms. Olga Świerkot-Strużewska, Statistics Poland
16.	Poland	Ms. Dominika Joanna Rogalinska, Statistics Poland
17.	Spain	Mr. Pedro Revilla, Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE-España)
18.	Hungary (ex-officio member)	Ms. Andrea Ordaz, Hungarian Central Statistical Office (HCSO)
19.	Colombia (fifth UNWDF host)	Mr. Leonardo Trujillo Oyola, Departamento Administrativo Nacional de Estadística (DANE-Colombia)
20.	Colombia (fifth UNWDF host)	Mr. Camilo Andres Mendez Coronado, Departamento Administrativo Nacional de Estadística (DANE-Colombia)

#### Issue partners and UNWDF Programme Committee

21.	Centro de Pensamiento Estratégico Internacional (Cepei)	Mr. Philipp Schönrock [connected virtually]
22.	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)	Ms. Rachael Beaven
23.	Open Data Watch (ODW)	Ms. Shaida Badiee
24.	Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21)	Mr. Sasha Ramirez-Hughes
25.	Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) TReNDS	Ms. Maryam Rabiee
26.	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA)	Mr. Ziad Abdallah
27.	World Bank (WB)	Ms. Haishan Fu
28.	African Institute for Mathematical Sciences (AIMS)	Mr. Charles Lebon Mberi Kimpolo
29.	Development Initiatives (DI)	Ms. Claudia Wells
30.	International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)	Ms. Dilek Fraisl
31.	International Statistical Institute (ISI)	Mr. Xuming He
32.	Renmin University of China (RUC)	Ms. Xiaojun Wang
33.	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	Mr. Babatunde Abidoye
34.	International Digital Health and AI Research Collaborative (I-DAIR)	Ms. Nnenna Nwakanma

### Secretariat

35.	United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD-DESA)	Mr. Stefan Schweinfest
36.	UNSD-DESA	Ms. Francesca Perucci
37.	UNSD-DESA	Mr. Ian Mark Rutherford