



## **Plenary Session**

**8th Meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs)**

**Update on the work of the Interlinkages working group**

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Stockholm, Sweden

# Composition of Group

- The Interlinkages working group was initially composed of 11 members of the IAEG-SDGs
- The group added 8 additional members to the group:
  - 3 from academia
  - 3 from international and regional organisations
  - 2 from civil society organisations
- The group is co-chaired by Canada and China



# Objectives of the Group

- Identify possible interlinkages in the statistics underlying the global SDG indicators
- Research and identify ways in which these interlinkages can be harnessed to facilitate global, regional and national SDG monitoring and analysis
- Propose strategies for using interlinkages to start a discussion on how the statistical system can help with bridging policy fields and to support a more integrated analysis of the economic, social and environmental developments in SDG monitoring



# Work to date

- Consultations – the group held internal and open global consultations.
- Drafted a report on the interlinkages incorporating:
  - Early interlinkages work undertaken by the interlinkages workstream
  - Results of the global and internal consultation
  - Incorporated examples and best practices of countries and organizations who have examined interlinkages
  - Started to examine integrated analysis of the economic, social and environmental developments to support policy



# Next steps

- Finalize the report as a background document to the IAEG-SDG report for the 50<sup>th</sup> session of the UNSC.
- Prepare a second report to be submitted to the 51<sup>st</sup> session of the UNSC that takes a deep dive to examine the UNSEEA interlinkages with the SDGs, examine the interlinkages between policy, legislation and more examination of examination of integrated analysis.

