

Tenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Environment Statistics (Virtual) New York, 3, 4, 6 and 10 October 2023 Final Agenda

Tuesday, 3 October 2023

Opening session

08:00 – 08:30 Opening and objectives of the meeting

Welcome speech by Director, UNSD

Logistical matters

Adoption of the agenda

Session One: Climate Change Statistics and Indicators

08:30 – 9:15 Implementation of the Global Set

- a) Outcome of the survey on 'State of the implementation of the Global Set of Climate Change Statistics and Indicators' (UNSD, 12 min)
- b) New requirements for transparency (UNFCCC, 13 min)
- c) Discussion (plenary, 20 min)

Coffee break 10 mins

9:25 – 11:00 Related inter-governmental, regional and national initiatives on climate change statistics

- a) Updates from FAO: agriculture, forestry, land use, emissions from LULUCF (FAO, 10 min)
- b) Work of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group (IAEG) on Disaster-related Statistics; implementation of the Sendai Framework in countries (UNDRR/ESCAP, 10 min)
- c) Updates on International Programme for Action on Climate (IPAC) (OECD, 10 min)
- d) Updates on the work of the UNECE Task Force on the role of NSOs in achieving national climate objectives (ECE, 10 min)
- e) Discussion (plenary, 15 min)

National experiences

- a) Country experiences on implementation of the Global Set (Brazil, Cabo Verde, Netherlands, Suriname, 4 min each)
- b) Discussion on best practices on climate change statistics (plenary, 20 min)

Wednesday, 4 October 2023

Session One: Climate Change Statistics and Indicators: Group work

8:00 – 9:00 **Development of methodology and implementation support for the Global Set**

- a) Overview of methodological and implementation support updates (UNSD, 8 min)
- b) Climate and health (UK-ONS, 8 min)
- c) Climate and gender (Advisory Group to IAEG-GS, 8 min)
- d) Applications of CISAT (ECLAC / ECLAC consultant, 8 min)
- e) Applications of Implementation Guidelines and roadmaps (COMESA consultants, 8 min)
- f) Discussion and Introduction to group work (UNSD, 20 min)
- 09:00 10:10 Group work according to the above thematic areas, implementation guidelines and CISAT
 - Introduction to key issues and options in each group (10 min)
 - Review and discussion (40 min)
 - Preparation of reporting to plenary (20 min)

Coffee break 10 min

10:20 – 11:00 Plenary: Conclusion of group work and priorities for future work

- a) Group work conclusions (5 min each)
- b) Discussion (plenary, 15 min)

Friday, 6 October 2023

Session Two: Environment Statistics Data Collection

08:00 – 09:20 Water Statistics

- a) Keynote presentation on Water Conference, implications on new data requirements (WHO, 10 minutes)
- b) UNSD showcase of practical use of country owned water data for SDGs (UNSD, 10 min)
- c) Panel discussion (40 min total: OECD, FAO, WHO, HABITAT, State of Palestine, Ireland)
- d) Plenary discussion with audience (20 mins)

Coffee Break 10 mins

09:30 – 10:30 **Waste Statistics**

- a) Recent developments on waste statistics (UNEP /UNITAR /HABITAT, 5 min each)
- b) UNSD showcase of practical use of country owned waste data for SDGs (UNSD, 10 min)
- c) National successes and challenges of waste data (Bangladesh, Mauritius, 10 min each)
- d) Discussion (15 mins)

10:30 – 11:10 Other data collection and reporting requirements (data collection instruments)

- a) Data sources used in environment and climate change statistics (UNSD, 5 min)
- b) Developments in survey module on climate change (Pacific Community, 8 min)
- c) Tanzania's experience on climate change related data collections via Population and Housing Census (Tanzania, 8 min)
- d) Discussion (20 min)

Tuesday, 10 October 2023

Session Three: Environment Statistics Toolbox

08:00 – 08:35 FDES and the Basic Set of Environment Statistics

- a) Implementation of the FDES and national compendia on environment statistics (UNSD, 4 min)
- b) ESSAT applications (UNEP, 8 min)
- c) Discussion (plenary, 15 min)

Session Four: Capacity Development in Environment Statistics and Climate Change Statistics

08:35 – 9:50 Capacity development

- a) Capacity development for environment and climate change statistics (UNSD, 10 min)
- b) Activities on Climate Change and Disaster-related statistics under the DA 14 project (UNEP/ESCAP, 10 min)
- c) Other related initiatives
 - Lessons-learned from PARIS21 on mobilizing climate change data ecosystems (PARIS21, 8 min)
- d) Activities led by regional institutions:
 - Updates on capacity development activities from ECE (ECE, 4 min)
 - Updates on capacity development activities from ECLAC, including outcomes from DA12 project and beyond (ECLAC, 4 min)
 - Updates on capacity development activities from ESCAP (ESCAP, 4 min)
 - Updates on capacity development activities from ESCWA (ESCWA, 4 min)
 - Updates on capacity development activities from the CARICOM Secretariat (CARICOM, 4 min)

- Climate change statistics development in COMESA region (COMESA, 4 min)
- e) Discussion (25 min)

Coffee break 20 mins

Session Five: Discussion of Priorities and Conclusions

10:10 – 11:15 Review and decisions on future actions