

# Conference call of the IAEG-GS Advisory Group on Emerging Issues (AGEI)

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## Participants:

Philippines - Lina Castro, NSCB (Chair)  
Jordan – Manal Sweidan  
Brazil – Leonardo (sat in for Ana Luisa)  
World Bank – Masuko  
OECD - Mario Piacentini (Statistics) and Emily Esplen (Development Co-operation)  
UNODC - Enrico Bisogno  
UNSD - Francesca Grum, Haoyi Chen and Linda Hooper

Discussion on:

### 1. Update on the review of the indicators (Philippines)

Lina summarized the overall objectives of the Advisory Group and updated the group on what has been done on the reconciliation for violence against women indicators/statistics.

### 2. Discussion on the comments provided by members

Lina presented the summary table of comments provided by Advisory group members. There was discussion on what can be changed in the reconciliation of the indicators. The group was advised that the labels can be adjusted to reflect standards, but that the meaning/content of the statistic cannot be changed. There was support for limiting the changes to the wording.

The point was raised that in the minimum set some indicators are very specific, while others are very general.

A question on age group for the violence indicators was posed. In the forthcoming *Guidelines*, there is a move away from the 15-49 age limitation and toward 16+.

It was recommended to eliminate the reference to the age group all together, and this can be accomplished by using 'ever-partnered'

The multi-dimensional aspect of the tabulations was emphasized.

ACTION: UNSD will send the group their suggestion/proposal (see attached).

### 3. Next steps

UN Women has a data table on violence against women surveys. It was requested that the Advisory group members:

- 1) *review* their national data contained in the UN Women table,
- 2) *assess* the column headers and *make* suggestions on additional headers as well as required footnotes,
- 3) *provide* additional background documentation including questionnaires.

ACTION: The Advisory Group members will send the information above (1 to 3) to UNSD. UNSD will compile these data/metadata; update/modify the original table and share it with UN Women

### 4. Inputs for the September 2013 IAEG-GS

The Advisory Group session will meet on 11 September 2013 for an in-person meeting before the 7th IAEG-GS meeting. The purpose is to finalize the proposed reformulation of indicators on VAW with justification of why specific indicators were included. The next steps for the Advisory Group will be discussed at the 11 September 2013 meeting, which might include additional clean-up of the Tier 2/3 indicators and further clarification on the current list of agreed indicators.