



The post-2025 SNA Research Agenda

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Research Agenda for the 2008 SNA update

- **May 2018:** ISWGNA Task Force, to formulate a Research Agenda for the update of the 2008 SNA
- **List of 61 issues** broken down into the following categories:
 - Globalization (1 – 11)
 - Digitalization (12 – 17)
 - Well-being and sustainability (18 – 26)
 - Other issues considered as a priority (27 – 35)
 - Long-term SNA Research Agenda (36 – 61)
- **October 2019:** Endorsed by the AEG
- **March 2020:** Endorsed by the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC)

Assessment of the SNA Research Agenda

- **October 2022, AEG discussed the assessment of the SNA Research Agenda**
 - Primary objective: assessment of the progress made
 - Also allowed for identifying issues for the post-2025 SNA Research Agenda
 - March 2023 the assessment was put forward to the UNSC
- **Additional issues were identified for the post-2025 SNA Research Agenda**
 - through the consolidated list of recommendations for the SNA update
 - the AEG in its deliberation on some of the issues
- **Annex to the paper for this agenda item**
 - Provides a summary of the assessment of resolving the research issues for the 2008 SNA update
 - Identified an initial list of 13 topics for the post-2025 SNA Research Agenda

Potential list of issues for the post-2025 SNA Research Agenda

- 1 Valuation of imports and exports
- 2 Crypto-assets
- 3 Statistical units
- 4 Broadening the fixed asset boundary to include other intellectual property assets
- 5 Final consumption of corporations
- 6 The treatment of social transfers in kind to and from the rest of the world
- 7 The inclusion of international organizations in the SNA
- 8 Clarification of the income concept in the SNA
- 9 Accruing interest in the SNA
- 10 Calculation of FISIM
- 11 The measurement of neutral and real holding gains and losses
- 12 Treatment of the atmosphere as an asset
- 13 Treatment of Rent

The AEG is invited to:

- Comment on the initial list of issues for the post-2025 SNA Research Agenda
- Suggest other items that could be added

Thank you