

## International Statistical Institute Intervention to the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the UNSC March 2017

## Agenda Item 4(k) "Statistical capacity-building" Report of the Secretary-General

- 1. The ISI congratulations the UNSD on the extensive and impactful work they have done in SCB.
- 2. The ISI has similar interests in SCB and would welcome the opportunity to partner with the UNSD on more activities. For example,
  - a. ISI sponsors the World Statistics Congress (WSC) biannually and Regional Statistics Conferences (RSCs) annually where the UNSD might be interested in having greater involvement. Issues related to awareness-raising with regard to SDG (See B.29 in the UNSC SCB report on p. 10/17) could be featured at a WSC and/or a RSC.
  - Associations of ISI sponsor meetings that have directly connection to UNSC interests (e.g. IAOS official statistics, TIES environmental statistics, IASE statistical literacy).
  - c. ISI with World Bank Funding has provided high level workshops for NSO staff at a variety of locations around the world. (See A.11 in the UNSD SCB report on p. 5/17).
- 3. ISI could be a natural partner in the network of training statisticians (See B.31 in the UNSD SCB report on p. 11/17).
- 4. ISI is actively involved in training the next generation of statisticians as well as promoting statistical literacy. This work is very complementary to the Recommendation 1 of the UNSD SCB report (p. 15/17) that "production, dissemination and use of official statistics" is a focus.
- 5. ISI would welcome the role as a partner in the efforts to have an integrated support for national SC development at the global, regional and country levels (See Recommendation 4, in UNSD SCB report, p. 16/17).