The United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC), at its 47th session in 2016, decided to establish an international Expert Group on Refugee Statistics comprised of participants drawn from national authorities and international statistical organizations as well as other technical experts. The expert group will develop a set of international recommendations for refugee statistics and a refugee statistics compiler manual with operational instructions. The Commission also requested that the expert group include statistics on internally displaced persons in its scope of work. The expert group is expected to present its work to the UNSC in 2018. At the side event the group will report on the status and progress of its work and discuss challenges encountered thus far.

Agenda

Ms. Kimberly Roberson, UNHCR (moderator)

1:15 pm   Opening – Ms. Christine Meyer, Director General, Statistics Norway

→ Global challenges - Reporting and use of statistics. Ms. Petra Nahmias, UNHCR

→ Statistics on refugees. Examples from a National Statistical Office - Mr. Vebjørn Aalandslid, Statistics Norway

→ Challenges and Opportunities: Taking stock of statistics on internally displaced persons - Ms. Natalia Baal, Joint IDP Profiling Service (JIPS)

→ Statistics on internally displaced persons. Country example (tbc)

→ Progress of the work of the Expert Group - Mr. Piotr Juchno, Eurostat

→ Q&A

2:20 pm   Closing - Ms. Mariana Kotzeva, Director General (Acting), Eurostat