Statistical Commission
Fifty-second session
1–3 and 5 March 2021*
Item 2 of the provisional agenda**
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Provisional programme of work and timetable

Note by the Secretariat

1. The proposed programme of work and timetable for the fifty-second session of the Statistical Commission has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Statistical Commission in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the limits of the time and services allocated to the Commission.

2. Taking into account the continued impact of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) on the working arrangements for the subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council and guidance provided by the President of the Council, the Bureau has recommended that the fifty-second session of the Statistical Commission will be held in a scaled-down format on a virtual platform from 1 to 3 and on 5 March 2021.

3. All informal meetings of the fifty-second session of the Commission will be convened at 9 a.m. for two hours each day from 1 to 3 and on 5 March.

---

* The dates of the session have been adjusted from those mandated in Economic and Social Council decision 2020/211 as a result of the impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.
** E/CN.3/2021/1.
Provisional programme of work and timetable

Monday, 1 March 2021

9–9.20 a.m. Opening of the session

Item 1. Election of officers

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

For discussion

Provisional agenda and annotations (E/CN.3/2021/1)

Note by the Secretariat on the provisional programme of work and timetable (E/CN.3/2021/L.1)

Item 3. Items for discussion and decision

9.20–10.20 a.m. Item 3 (a). Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

For discussion


9.40–10 a.m. Report of the Secretary-General on work for the review of progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (E/CN.3/2021/3)


10.20–10.40 a.m. Item 3 (b). Coordination of statistical programmes

For discussion


For information

Report of the Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (E/CN.3/2021/6)

10.40–11 a.m. Item 3 (c). Economic statistics

For discussion

Report of the Friends of the Chair group on economic statistics (E/CN.3/2021/7)

1 All times given are New York time.
Tuesday, 2 March 2021

9–9.20 a.m.  Item 3 (d). National accounts

For discussion


9.20–9.40 a.m.  Item 3 (e). Business and trade statistics

For discussion


9.40–10 a.m.  Item 3 (f). Environmental-economic accounting

For discussion


10–10.20 a.m.  Item 3 (g). Migration statistics

For discussion

Report of the Secretary-General on migration statistics (E/CN.3/2021/11)

10.20–10.40 a.m.  Item 3 (h). Regional statistical development

For discussion

Report of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia on regional cooperation for development of official statistics (E/CN.3/2021/12)

10.40–11 a.m.  Item 3 (i). Management and modernization of statistical systems

For discussion

Report of the Secretary-General on management and modernization of statistical systems (E/CN.3/2021/13)

Wednesday, 3 March 2021

9–9.20 a.m.  Item 3 (j). Big data

For discussion


9.20–9.40 a.m.  Item 3 (k). International statistical classifications

For discussion

9.40–10 a.m.  Item 3 (l). Household surveys

For discussion


10–10.20 a.m.  Item 3 (m). Data and metadata presentation and dissemination

For discussion

Report of the Secretary-General on data and metadata presentation and dissemination (E/CN.3/2021/17)

10.20–10.30 a.m.  Item 4. Items for information

Note: The following items are presented to the Commission for information. Limited time has been allocated for interventions under these items.

Item 4 (a). Demographic statistics

For information

Report of the Secretary-General on demographic statistics (E/CN.3/2021/18)

Item 4 (b). Culture statistics

For information


Item 4 (c). Climate change statistics

For information

Report of the Secretary-General on climate change statistics (E/CN.3/2021/20)

Item 4 (d). Disaster-related statistics

For information


Item 4 (e). International Comparison Programme

For information


Item 4 (f). Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata
For information

Item 4 (g). Statistical capacity development

For information
Report of the Secretary-General on statistical capacity development (E/CN.3/2021/24)

Item 4 (h). Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council

For information
Report of the Secretary-General on policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council that are relevant to the work of the Statistical Commission (E/CN.3/2021/25)

Item 4 (i). National Quality Assurance Frameworks

For information

Item 4 (j). Integration of statistical and geospatial information

For information

Item 4 (k). World Statistics Day

For information

10.30–10.40 a.m.  Item 5. Programme questions (Statistics Division)
Oral report by the Director of the Statistics Division concerning current activities, plans and priorities

10.40–11 a.m.  Item 6. Provisional agenda and dates for the fifty-third session of the Commission

For discussion
Note by the Secretariat containing the draft provisional agenda for the fifty-third session of the Commission (E/CN.3/2021/L.2)
Note by the Secretariat on the draft multi-year programme of work of the Statistical Commission, 2021–2025 (E/CN.3/2021/29)

Friday, 5 March 2021

9–11 a.m.

Item 7. Report of the Commission on its fifty-second session

For discussion

Draft report of the Commission on its fifty-second session

Informal paper with draft decisions

Closing of the session