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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Lithuania	
<i>Statement:</i> Lithuania welcomes the substantial work carried out of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators and congratulates the Group for its remarkable achievements in response to the decisions of the Commission and undertaken activities. Lithuania takes note of the background documents on COVID-19 and the global indicators for the SDGs. Practical guide on data disaggregation for the SDGs and Compilation tools/guidance of existing materials for data disaggregation are of high importance for the development of SDGs indicators. Lithuania also welcomes the work carried out in the context of annual refinements. The proposed changes to the Global Indicator Framework are limited and the titles of SDG indicators are clearer. Lithuania stresses the importance of the work carried out by the Group, approves the Work Programme and activities foreseen for 2021, and underlines the importance for the future development of SDGs indicators. Lithuania appreciates the ongoing activities of Custodian Agencies, but draws attention to filling-in of the time-consuming questionnaires and complicated use of IT tools for provision of information and data on SDG indicators.	
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