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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Planning and Statistics Authority, Qatar	
<i>Statement:</i> A three-dimensional approach is envisaged to modernize the System of National Accounts 2008: (a) Conduct technical research on priority national accounts and other issues, including better support for sustainable development from a macroeconomic perspective; (b) Engage in a broad consultation on issues related to the thematic areas of globalization, digitization, well-being and sustainability; (c) Ensure general consistency with the economic statistics system, taking into account the macroeconomic and microeconomic perspectives. The deliberations on the issues identified through the task forces will be carried out during the period 2020-2023. Recommendations, along with approved guidance notes, will be sent to countries for comments and, where appropriate, for piloting and testing, as they become available in 2020-2023. Countries will be invited to demonstrate their intention to implement and test the feasibility of statistical measures based on the guidance notes.	
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