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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Belgium	
<i>Statement:</i> <p>We thank the United Nations Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting for the work carried out over the past year and the progress that has been booked in this domain so far. For Belgium's general statement on SEAA and the adoption of SEAA Ecosystem Accounting in particular, we refer to the ESS common position, expressed by Denmark.</p> <p>Furthermore, we would like to encourage the experts of the group on Environmental and economic Accounting to consider the evaluation of already existing accounts in order to assess their relevance and usefulness. We believe it would be an interesting exercise to review these accounts in terms of their added value and whether they still match the needs of users. Such an exercise may reveal that certain components of EAA should be redefined or that less detail is required by the users. On the one hand, this could result in a better alignment between the already existing EAA and users' needs; on the other hand, this exercise could provide some room for maneuver for statistical entities to develop new accounts.</p>	
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