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Hungary welcomes and supports the work carried out by the United Nations Statistics Division and the Expert Group on Migration Statistics on the improvement of migration statistics.

Harmonized concepts and definitions related to international migration, as well as high-quality data comparable at the global level are of utmost importance for effective monitoring and evidence-based policies. Therefore the revised conceptual framework on international migration and mobility and accompanying definitions is are highly valuable.

As regards plans and priorities we consider that strengthened cooperation among international organisations and sharing best practices will contribute to reduce the burden on NSOs.

Acknowledging the importance of a standardized conceptual framework, Hungary is looking forward to participating in its practical implementation around the globe. Once such framework is set up and put into practice, we see the standardization of input data sources across countries as the next great endeavour ahead of the Statistics Division and of statisticians in the future.

Despite the fact that meeting each other virtually cannot fully replace in person gatherings, the past year proved that online events can be effective. We, therefore support to elaborate e-learning materials that can be shared by a large group of experts and used more often in the future, too.

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