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Subject: Statistical Commission - invitation to the first Global Chat on the 52nd session of the Statistical Commission

Sent on behalf of Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Director, United Nations Statistics Division/DESA

Dear Colleagues,

Happy Healthy New Year! I certainly hope this finds you, your families and your teams well.

We have now confirmed that the upcoming Statistical Commission (52nd session) will be held online from 1 to 3 and 5 March 2021 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday) – two hours on those four days.

This unusual reduced format will of course pose a number of challenges, but we at UNSD are confident that we can manage altogether. The most important element at this point for me is transparency and good communication.

So we want to start the year with what I call a first Global Chat on the Statistical Commission. You are all invited. And as the name indicates it is meant to be informal and address all kinds of questions you may have. In the Global Chat, we will provide information on how the session will be convened, the process of preparing and submitting written statements, and much more. Of course the most important element is to answer your practical questions. The first **‘Global Chat on the 52nd session of the Statistical Commission’** will take place as a WebEx meeting **on 20 January 2021 at 9:00AM Eastern/New York**. Please find the connection details below. No preregistration required.

If you have any questions, please feel to contact me or Linda Hooper.

I am certainly looking forward to connecting with you all soon, to working closely together over the coming weeks and to jointly managing a successful 52nd session – one for the history books!!

Warm regards,

Stefan Schweinfest

Connection details:

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

9:00 am | (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada) | 2 hrs

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