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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Finland	
<i>Statement:</i> Finland aligns itself with the joint statement of the countries of the EU and the EFTA. Finland welcomes and appreciates the substantial work carried out under the supervision of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting (UNCEEA). We underline the importance of the UNCEEA engagement in the SNA, ISIC and CPC updates. We welcome the involvement of the statistical community in the monitoring framework of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. Finland considers that additional efforts are needed for following up properly biodiversity targets and deriving indicators where appropriate, and encourages the focus on biophysical measures. As regards the implementation strategy for the SEEA – Ecosystem Accounting, Finland welcomes it and also recommends adequately balancing the work between putting into production agreed methodologies and further developing new required methodologies and guidelines, focusing on the physical accounts first.	
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