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53rd
Session

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Preparations for the 53rd session of the Statistical Commission “Global Chat”

- Welcome and introductory comments from the Director, Mr. Stefan Schweinfest
- Timetable/Overview of discussion items
- Logistical arrangements
- Written statements
- Process
- Side events
- Frequently asked questions
- Open discussion



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Statistical Commission
Fifty-third session
28 February–2 March and 4 March 2022*
Item 2 of the provisional agenda**
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Provisional programme of work and timetable

Note by the Secretariat

1. The proposed programme of work and timetable for the fifty-third session of the Statistical Commission has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Statistical Commission in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the limits of the time and services allocated to the Commission.

Overview -discussion items for 53rd session



- (a) Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- (b) Data Stewardship
- (c) Working Methods of the Statistical Commission
- (d) Regional statistical development
- (e) Population and Housing Censuses
- (f) Civil registration, vital statistics, and statelessness statistics
- (g) Human settlements statistics
- (h) Gender statistics
- (i) Health statistics
- (j) Crime and criminal justice statistics
- (k) Education statistics
- (l) Environmental-economic accounting
- (m) Climate change statistics

- (n) National accounts
- (o) Network of economic statisticians
- (p) Business and trade statistics
- (q) Information and communications technology statistics
- (r) International Comparison Programme
- (s) Agricultural and rural statistics
- (t) Informal economy statistics
- (u) Big data
- (v) International statistical classifications
- (w) Open data
- (x) Integration of statistical and geospatial information
- (y) Governance, peace and security statistics

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28 February – 2 March and 4 March

10:00-12:00 and 15:00-17:00 (Eastern)



	Monday, 28 Feb	Tuesday, 1 March	Wednesday, 2 March	Thursday, 3 March	Friday, 4 March
10:00 – 12:00	Opening Items 3 (a – b)	Items 3 (g-j)	Items 3 (o-r)	No meeting	Items 3 (w-y) Item 4 (Items for info) Item 5 Programme questions (UNSD) Item 6 Provisional agenda and dates for the fifty-third session of the Commission
15:00 – 17:00	Items 3(c-f)	Items (k-n)	Items (s-v)		Item 7 Report of the Commission on its 53rd session

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Logistical arrangements

REGISTRATION



- Register the composition of delegations in the e-deleGATE portal (under ECOSOC/Statistical Commission) through your Permanent Mission to the UN in NY.
- Essential to register through the PMs, including emails, for access to the meeting platform
- Encouraged to kindly limit delegations to the experts who will actively participate in the session's work.

PLATFORM



Online platform.

Simultaneous
interpretation into all
six official UN
languages.

Logistical arrangements



- During the session, please use the chat window to communicate with the Secretariat.
- Webcasting on UN WebTV.
- Encourage advanced submission of written statements to the Secretariat by 17 February.

53rd session

Current session

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Activities

Inter-sessional activities

Archive

- Past sessions
- Reports of past sessions
- Chairs of past sessions
- Bureaus of past sessions
- Photo gallery
- 70th anniversary
- 60th anniversary
- Decisions

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All documents

Official documents

Background documents

Written statements

Guidelines for submission of written statements:

Member States and entities encouraged to submit written statements by Thursday, 17 February 2022.

Written statements provide an opportunity for delegations to contribute to the substantive discussion on the agenda items of the 53rd session. The official documents contain "Action to be taken by the Statistical Commission" which the Commission is invited to discuss. Written statements are expected to address these points raised but might include more general statements on the topic. However, the written statements should avoid

<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/documents/#statements>

@UNGGIM

Join us for the #UNSC53 side event on "Geospatial Information for Enabling Sustainable Development" to learn about

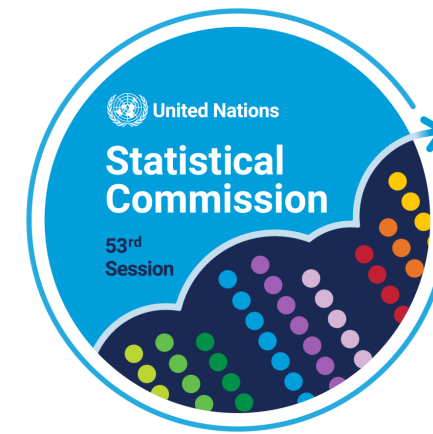
WRITTEN STATEMENTS



Process of the 53rd Statistical Commission

- Due to the virtual nature of the session and the reduced time for the meetings, Member States and entities are encouraged to submit **written statements** (preferably in English) by Thursday, 17 February 2022.
- Written statements:
 - Provide an opportunity for delegations to contribute to the substantive discussion on the agenda items of the 53rd session.
 - Need to refer to a specific agenda item.
 - May be submitted by or on behalf of the Head of Delegation, Representative or Designated official.

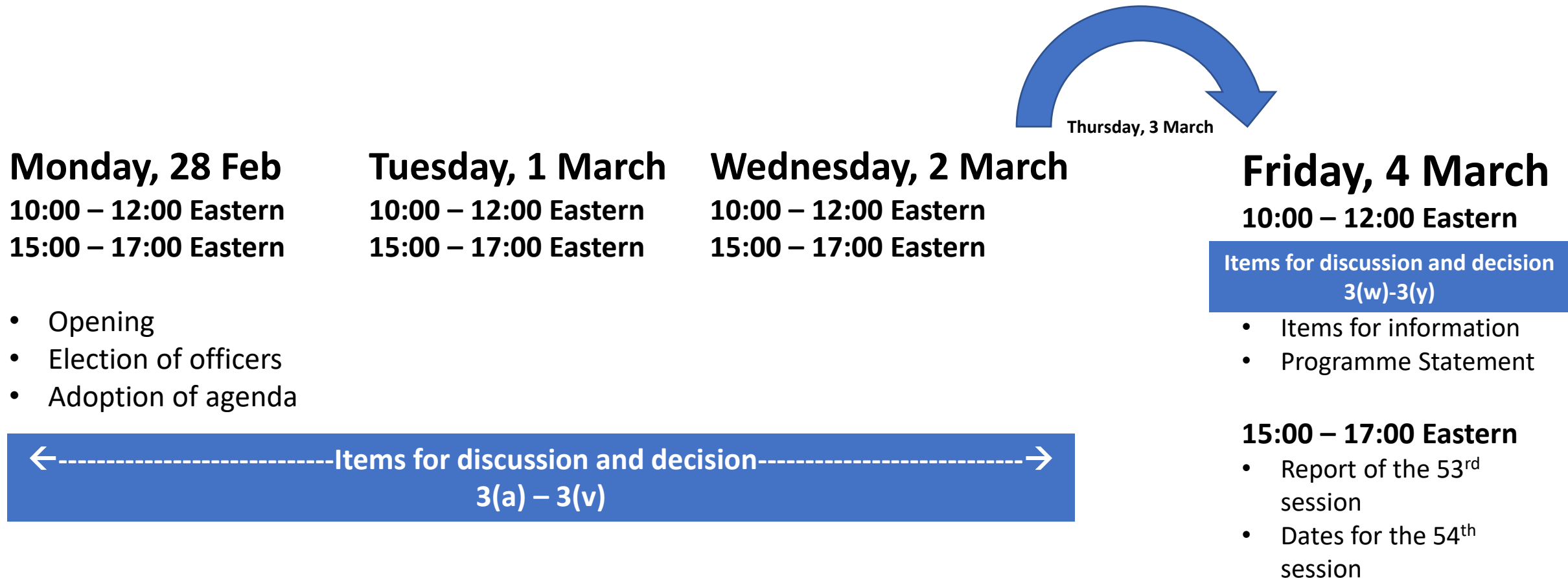
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Submission of written statements

- Early submission of written statements will:
 - Help facilitate discussions and general debate.
 - Allow for the Secretariat to review and summarize them and facilitate informal discussions between relevant delegations to find consensus language, in case of apparent disagreements.
- Please submit the forms, preferably as pdf files, to the Secretariat (hooper@un.org and wangl@un.org).
- All forms received will be date-stamped and uploaded to the 53rd session website, in the language received, as soon as feasible (except over weekends).

Process of the 53rd Statistical Commission



All official documents will be available electronically both on the Commission website (<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/>) and on the PaperSmart portal.

53rd session – Timeline for the draft decisions and report



- On 2 March, Wednesday
 - Part 1 of the draft decisions of the 53rd session of the Statistical Commission (agenda items 3(a) – 3(v)) available online for comment.
- By 14:00 EST, 3 March, Thursday
 - Member States and relevant observers submit comments against Part 1 of the draft decision items (form online).
- By 13:00 EST, 4 March, Friday
 - Part 1-“Bracketed” and Part 2 of the draft decision (agenda items 3(w) – 3(y)) available online.
- At 15:00 EST, 4 March, Friday
 - **Eighth informal meeting of the 53rd session of the Statistical Commission** considers Part 1-“bracketed” and Part 2 of the draft decisions and agrees on final language for the ‘informal’ adoption of the report. Silence procedure then initiated.

SIDE EVENTS



- 12 side events held as of yesterday, 8 February
- 47 more side events to be organized virtually in February
- 4 more side events to be organized virtually in March

- Upcoming High-level event
 - High-level event: Financing for data and statistics: the role of NSOs
 - Wednesday, 16 February 2021, 9:00 – 10:30 am Eastern

<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/side-events/>

Frequently asked questions

REGISTRATION

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GENERAL QUESTIONS

<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/resources/FAQ-8Feb2022.pdf>

Global chat – open discussion

Moderator: Stefan Schweinfest, Director, UNSD

Communications and engagement

- Weekly updates from the Director
- Forthcoming information on platform connectivity

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