

# **The UN Network of Economic Statisticians: Beyond GDP Sprint Two Third Session**



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**UN Network of Economic Statisticians**

# Today's Agenda

## **Session 1: Introduction, welcome remarks, and scene-setting**

- Benson Sim, UN Statistics Division
- Clodhna Taylor, UK Office for National Statistics

## **Session 2 - International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) development of ESG standards and implementation**

- Richard Barker, Board Member, International Sustainability Standards Board

## **Session 3 - Aligning well-being concepts and metrics with ESG**

- Vincent Siegerink, Centre for Well-being, Inclusion, Sustainability and Equal Opportunity OECD

## **Session 4 - Including sustainability information in financial reporting - the views of the accounting community and results of wellbeing study**

- Helen Slinger, Executive Director, Knowledge and Learning, Accounting for Sustainability

## **Session 5 - Sustainability reporting - challenges to expect and perspectives of national statistical offices**

- Samir Trabelsi, Professor of Accounting and Governance, Brock University
- Sonia Raizenne, Director - Industrial Organization and Finance Division, Economic Statistics Field, Statistics Canada

# Sprints through this year

Sprint	Speaker 1	Speaker 2	Speaker 3	Speaker 4	Speaker 5	Speaker 6
<b>One – Updating social perspectives of wellbeing and the relevance of UN work for today – June 1st</b>	Francesca Grum – The evolution of social and demographic statistics 1948-2030 and Beyond	Ivo Havinga – The potential scope of the SPSS	Catherine van Rompaey & Jorrit Zwijnenburg – The ‘SNA’ Domains – what is the proposal for 2025 SNA	Steven MacFeely – WHO – stretching beyond the economic dimension	Rafael Díez de Medina (ILO) – Labour and Social Security since the 1970s	Oliver Chinganya – Observations on the session
<b>Two - Consulting Users on wellbeing themes – June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Anu Peltola (UNCTAD) ‘Valuing What Counts’</b>	<b>Rutger Hoekstra (Leiden University) – Synthesis of Beyond-GDP Metrics</b>	<b>Jonathan Barth - Zoe Institute – GDP lock-in and the European Dimension</b>	<b>Gerard Eding – The importance of Here &amp; Now, the future and elsewhere</b>	<b>Clíodhna Taylor – Understanding capitals</b>	<b>Graciela Marquez – (President of INEGI) – Using existing measures of wellbeing measures</b>
<b>Three - What is the role of ESG data within ‘Beyond GDP’? – June 22nd</b>	Richard Barker - ISSB – ESG Indicators	Vincent Siegerink (OECD)	Helen Slinger (A4S) – Data needs for ESG	Jan-Emmanuel De Neve (Oxford University) – The World wellbeing movement	Sammy Trabelsi - Brock University	Sonia Raizenne – the potentials for using ESG data
<b>Four - Mapping domestic wellbeing dashboards and their concepts and contents – September 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Eleanor Rees – Domestic Dashboards – differences and similarities	Amit Yagur-Kroll (UNECE) A recent survey of dashboards	Carrie Exton (OECD) - reflections on Living Well dashboards and metrics	Country Presenter (tbc)	Diane Ramsay / Julie Carter (Statistics NZ) The New Zealand experience	Kari Wolanski (Statistics Canada) – The Wellbeing Government Commitment
<b>Five – Mapping distributional frameworks -September 14th</b>	Tim Miller – Comparing and contrasting different models of distributional accounts	Jorrit Zwijnenburg – OECD) - The EG-DNA model (tbc)	Matthew Fisher-Post or Ignacio Flores - The DINA Model (Eurostat) (tbc)	Ronald Lee or Andrew Mason - The NTA Model (tbc)	Pedro Conceição (UNDP) - Use of AI and Geospatial data in disaggregating HDI at local levels	Panel Discussion
<b>Six – A conversation about Composite Measures September 21st</b>	Richard Heys – The vexed question of composites and how to create them.	Khalid Abu Ismail (ESCWA) New composite metrics	Martin Weale (KCL) – Methods to weight subjective and objective data	William Muhwava – UNECA – multi-dimensional indices of poverty (tbc)	Amit Kapoor – India – The Social Progress Index	Clíodhna Taylor – UK Gross and Net Inclusive Income
<b>Seven - Reporting back on progress over the sprint – October 5th</b>	Francesca Grum – The SPSSA/S	Catherine van Rompaey – The ‘SNA Domains’	Sonia Raizenne – the potential of ESG data	Rutger Hoekstra – Developing typologies for users	Eleanor Rees – The global dashboards landscape	Stefan Schweinfest – Reflections on the sprint

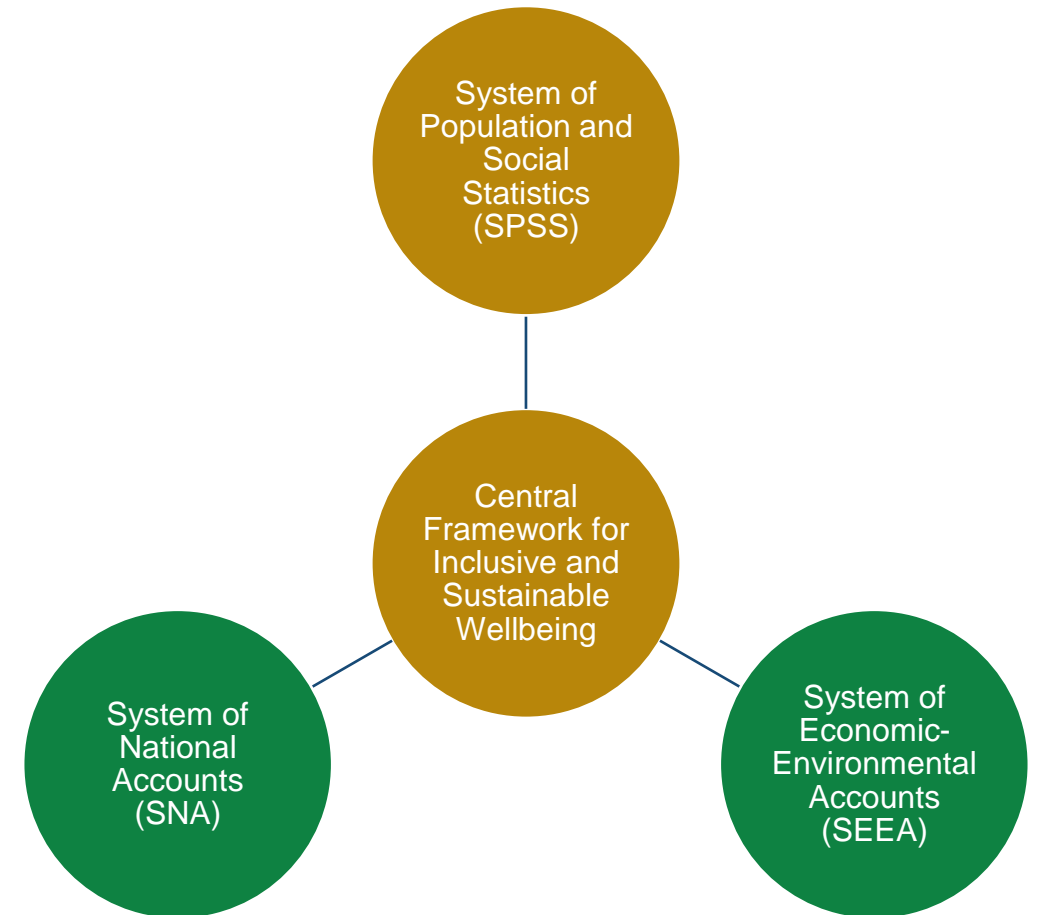
# Report on Sprint Session 2

# Proposed Way forward

A research prospectus for an integrated statistical framework for inclusive and sustainable wellbeing proposed an integrated statistical system which clarifies how the range of statistical standards and outputs can give a comprehensive picture of the modern world and deliver a coherent framework within which users can use different data in varied ways to meet complex policy questions.

Sprint 1 focused on the System of Population and Social Statistics proposition.

Sprint 2 focused on the Central Framework for Inclusive and Sustainable Wellbeing.



# Sprint 2 headlines

**Anu Peltola (UNCTAD)** presented a summary of the UN-led process, drawing on the Secretary General's 'Our Common Agenda' and the recent 'Valuing What Counts' research paper. She outlined the strategy around the 'Summit of the Future' in September 2024 and the need to focus on 10-20 indicators.

**Rutger Hoekstra (Leiden University)** provided an overview of Horizon programme and the new [www.beyond-gdp.world](http://www.beyond-gdp.world) website, showcasing their capacity to compare and contrast different metrics.

**Jonathan Barth (Zoe Institute)** provided an update in Europe and the Zoe's Institute research on the strengths of GDP and the four levels of factors which preserve GDP's hegemony.

**Gerard Eding (Statistics Netherlands)** provided an update on progress in the Netherlands, the importance of involving Parliamentarians and stimulating demand from key users, and the strengths of using the 'here and now', 'now and future', and 'now and elsewhere'.

**Clíodhna Taylor (UK Office for National Statistics)** provided an update on the measurement of the wider landscape of capitals, including the environment and human capital, and how we could imaginatively combine these.

**Graciela Marquez (President, INEGI)** provided an update on the satellite accounts developed in Mexico and how these are deployed to engage users and demonstrate what is feasible to meet Beyond GDP needs.