High Level Seminar on the Future of Economic Statistics
Shanghai, People’s Republic of China
3 – 5 June 2019
Draft Agenda

3 June

Session 1 – 10 Years of NBS-UNSD Trust Fund
9:30 – 11:30 Ceremony Session
Opening Ceremony

Session 2 – New Economics for Sustainable Development
14:00 – 14:30 Global trends and the SDG framework
Mr. Hamza Ali Malik, UNESCAP
14:30 – 15:15 Assessing the Quality of Infrastructure through the Lens of Nighttime Lights
Ms. Xuehui Han, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
15:15 – 16:00 A Prosperous, Inclusive, Resilient, and Sustainable Asia and the Pacific
Mr. Stefan Schipper, Asian Development Bank
16:00 – 16:20 Tea Break
16:20 – 17:00 Global Economic Developments
Mr. Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division
17:00 – 17:30 Panel Discussion: New economics for sustainable development and the implications for economic statistics – Ms. Xuehui Han, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, Mr. Stefan Schipper, Asian Development Bank, Mr. Hamza Ali Malik UNESCAP

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Session 3 – Economic Statistics response to the 2030 Agenda
9:00 – 9:30 International economic statistics developments
Mr. Michael Smedes, United Nations Statistics Division
9:30 – 10:00 Asia-Pacific in the global system
Ms. Gemma van Halderen, UNESCAP
10:00 – 10:30 Tea Break
10:30 – 11:00 Developments in System of Environmental Economic Accounting
Mr. Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division

11:00 – 12:00 Country examples: Economic statistics directions
Mr. Brian Moyer, Bureau of Economic Analysis
Ms. Catherine van Rompaey, Statistics Canada

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Session 4 – Institutional Transformation

14:00 – 14:45 Big Data and the Global Platform
Mark Craddock, United Nations Statistics Divisions
Ms. Gemma van Halderen, UNESCAP

14:45 – 15:30 New statistical services
Mr. Brian Moyer, Bureau of Economic Analysis
Ms. Catherine van Rompaey, Statistics Canada

15:30 – 16:00 Tea Break

16:00 – 17:00 Statistical agencies as data steward
Mr. Brian Moyer, Bureau of Economic Analysis
Ms. Catherine van Rompaey, Statistics Canada

5 June

Session 5 – Approaches to standard setting

9:00 – 9:30 Current approach and principles to inform change
Mr. Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division

9:30 – 10:00 Distribution of income and wealth
Mr. Michael Smedes, United Nations Statistics Division

10:30 – 11:00 Tea Break

Session 6 - Future of economic statistics

11:00 – 11:30 Friends of the Chair on Economic Statistics
Mr. Brian Moyer, Bureau of Economic Analysis
Ms. Catherine van Rompaey, Statistics Canada
Mr. Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division
11:30 – 12:30 Room discussion on the future of economic statistics
Ivo Havinga, United Nations Statistics Division
12:30 – 13:00 Closing remarks and group photo

Session 7 – Economic modelling in China (NBS participants only)
14:00 – 17:00 Training on economic modelling for NBS staff