Moderator: Linda Hooper, Statistician, Development Data and Outreach Branch, UN Statistics Division

Linda Hooper is a Statistician in the Statistics Division. She contributes substantively to the work on capacity development, the implementation of the Cape Town Global Action Plan and oversees the High-level Group on Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda. For the UN World Data Forum, both the current one in Dubai and the first in Cape Town, she developed the substantive programme. Linda is the focal point on data disaggregation in the context of the 2030 Agenda.

The focus of the majority of her UN career has been in the area of social statistics, mainly gender and development statistics. Over her career, she contributed to the methodological development of gender statistics and oversaw various expert groups on health status, disability and quality of work. Linda first joined the UN in the Economic Commission for Europe in Geneva. Before joining the UN, Linda was a Demographer producing estimates and projections at the US Census Bureau and briefly in the UN Population Division. Her graduate work is in demography and statistics from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Panelist: Luis Gonzalez Morales, Chief, Web Development and Data Visualization Section, UN Statistics Division

Luis Gonzalez Morales is Chief of the Web Development and Data Visualization Unit and focal point on Data Revolution for Sustainable Development at the UN Statistics Division. He is part of the Secretariat's team organizing the UN World Data Forum and supporting the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and co-leads initiatives in data interoperability and integration of geospatial information and statistics for the SDGs. Since he joined the Statistics Division in 2005, Luis has worked with national statistical offices and international partners on methodology and capacity development projects, particularly in the fields of economic statistics, data quality, development indicators, and the coordination of national statistical activities for the SDGs. He has a PhD in Economics from the University of Bochum in Germany and an MSc in Statistics from the Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Studies in Mexico.

Panelist: Karen Lizeth Chavez Quintero, Director's Advisor, National Administrative Department of Statistics of Colombia - DANE

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