

# United Nations Statistical Commission

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## Seminar on Innovations in Official Statistics

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### **SEMINAR ON INNOVATIONS IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS** Friday, 20 February, 10am-1pm, 2:00 - 5:30 pm, Conference Room 3

This is part of a series of one-day high level seminars dedicated to topics of great relevance for the global statistical community. This year's *Seminar on Innovations in Official Statistics* is organized around three panel discussions focusing on the following specific themes: "Innovation in governance", "Innovation in Data Collection and Management" and "Innovation in Data Dissemination".

## Learning Centre Environmental- Economic Accounting

### **ENVIRONMENTAL-ECONOMIC ACCOUNTING** Monday, 23 February, 10am- 1:00pm, Conference Room 3

The Learning Center on Environmental-Economic Accounting will provide a general overview of the basic concepts on environmental-economic accounting, its policy relevance and a general overview of the revision process of the System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA). The session will also elaborate on the specific modules of the SEEA, in particular on water accounting, energy accounting and material flow accounting.

## Learning Centre CENSUS INFO: A new tool for dissemination of census

### **CENSUSINFO: A NEW INTERFACE FOR DISSEMINATION OF CENSUS INFORMATION** Monday, 23 February, 10am- 11:45am, Conference Room 5

The seminar, organized by the United Nations Statistics Division, features a presentation of a new software package whose objective is to provide a user friendly tool, easy to be customized by countries for the dissemination of their census results at any relevant geographical level.

## High Level Forum Globalization and Global Crisis: The Role of Official Statistics

### **HIGH LEVEL FORUM- "GLOBALIZATION AND GLOBAL CRISES: THE ROLE OF OFFICIAL STATISTICS"** Monday, 23 February, 3:00- 6:00pm, ECOSOC CHAMBER

This High Level Forum, organized by the UN Statistics Division, features a high level panel composed of users and producers of statistics, who will provide their views on the role of official statistics vis-a-vis globalization and the global crises.

## Seminar on Energy Statistics: Challenges and ways forward

### **SEMINAR ON ENERGY STATISTICS: CHALLENGES AND WAYS FORWARD** Tuesday, 24 February, 9-10am, Conference Room C

The seminar, organized by the United Nations Statistics Division and Statistics Norway as the convener of the Oslo Group on Energy Statistics, will discuss the need for international recommendations for energy statistics, present challenges in developing these recommendations, emphasize the importance of making energy statistics an integral part of official statistics, and discuss the way forward in the field.

## Advances in Environment Statistics

Conference Room 3  
Tuesday, 24 February 2009  
1:45 - 2:45 pm

### **ADVANCES IN ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS** Tuesday, 24 February, 1:45am- 2:45pm, Conference Room 3

This lunchtime seminar, organized by the European Commission, Eurostat will provide an overview of the recent developments and challenges ahead in environment statistics. Special presentation will be provided on "Geospatial statistics and its use in Environmental Statistics" by the Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE) and on "Recent developments in Environmental Accounts" by Statistics Netherlands, (CBS).

## Perspectives on Global Spatial Data Infrastructure

### **PERSPECTIVES ON GLOBAL SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE** Wednesday, 25 February, 1:45am- 2:45pm, Conference Room 3

This seminar will present the case study of Brazil on its efforts to establish a national spatial data infrastructure. Examples of how the geo-spatial data are used for national policy formulation will be shown. The seminar will also present the efforts by the UN to build a Second Administrative Level Boundaries (SALB) Database which aims to improve the availability of information at the second subnational level."

## Innovations in Population Census Data Collection and Archiving

### **INNOVATIONS IN POPULATION CENSUS DATA COLLECTION AND ARCHIVING** Thursday, 26 February, 1:45am- 2:45pm, Conference Room 3

The seminar is organized by the UN Statistics Division in collaboration with the UNFPA and presents country and other experience in the use of improved methodology and technology for data collection and data archiving.

## Dialogue on Statistical Development with International Agencies

### **DIALOGUE ON STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL Thursday, 26 February, 3:00am- 5:00pm, Conference Room 3**

This is a regular event at the Commission designed to foster the dialogue across the statistical community on issues related to capacity building and to increase the understanding of the impact of statistical development initiatives and programmes. Each representative from international agencies will give a brief presentation on their programmes on statistical development. Presentations will be followed by a discussion on the programmes presented.

## Exhibition on Statistical Development in Asia and the Pacific

### **EXHIBITION ON STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC** 24- 27 February, 9:00am- 5:00pm, (1B AREA by the Viennese Cafe)

The exhibition will focus on statistical development in Asia and the Pacific. Statistical publications including books, posters, brochures, and CDs as well as promotional material on statistical activities in Asia and the Pacific countries will be displayed at the exhibition.