

Regional UN System Meeting for Europe and Central Asia

Dedicated session: IBC support to COVID-19 Response

22 April 2020 (to be held virtually)

09:30-10:30 New York time / 15:00-16:30 Geneva time / 16:00-17:30 Istanbul time

Agenda

Time (NY time)	Agenda item
09:00 – 09:10	<p>Item 1: Opening</p> <p>Opening remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, Co-Chair and UNDP Regional Director for Europe and CIS Ms. Olga Algayerova, Co-Chair and UNECE Executive Secretary
09:10 – 09:20	<p>Item 2: Brief updates on the COVID-19 situation in Europe and Central Asia</p> <p>Dr. Hans Kluge, WHO Regional Director for Europe</p>
09:20 – 10:10	<p>Item 3: Regional UN System response to COVID-19: Issue Based Coalitions (IBCs) at work</p> <p><u>Focus:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IBC support to COVID-19 response at country level through development of regional-level guidance, policy and advocacy knowledge products. Each IBC will present its proposed contribution to COVID response (3 mins each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue-based Coalition on Health Issue-based Coalition on Gender Equality Issue-based Coalition on Youth and Adolescents Issue-based Coalition on Social Protection Issue-based Coalition on Large Movements of People, Displacement and Resilience Issue-based Coalition on Environment and Climate Proposal to establish the IBC on Food Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vladimir Rakhmanin, Assistant Director General/Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia Update on the needs and expectations of the RCs/UNCTs from the IBCs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irena Vojáčková-Sollorano, Regional Director a.i., UN Development Coordination Office for Europe and Central Asia <p><u>Background documents:</u></p> <p>Matrix of IBC guidance notes, advocacy and knowledge products for COVID-19 response</p> <p>TORs IBC on Food Systems;</p> <p>Work Plan of the IBC on Food Systems</p>



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Item 4: COVID-19 and Official Statistics

Focus: presentation of the new UNECE platform on COVID-19 and official statistics and its suggested use by the Regional Coordination Group on Data and Statistics

Lidia Bratanova, Director, Statistical Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Background materials:

<https://statswiki.unece.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=278038837>

10:20 – 10:30

Conclusions and final remarks

Ms. Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, Co-Chair and UNDP Regional Director for Europe and CIS

Ms. Olga Algayerova, Co-Chair and UNECE Executive Secretary