



Outcome of the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

65th CES – Item 7b - Statistics for Sustainable Development Goals –
Road Map

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- First time organized in the region;
- 24 and 25 April 2017 in Geneva;
- Held back-to-back with the 70th Anniversary session of UNECE (26-27 April 2017);
- 24 April: **Civil society consultation** and **regional preparatory workshop** for the countries from the UNECE region conducting Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) at the 2017 High-Level Political Forum.

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- **Two segments:**
 - **Policy segment:** The second year of the SDGs in the region - knowing where we stand and moving on to prosperity and well-being for all;
 - **Peer learning segment:** Parallel regional round tables:
 - **Round Table I.** National and local adaptation of SDGs;
 - **Round Table II.** Subregional cooperation for SDG implementation;
 - **Round Table III.** Data and monitoring;
- **All documents and summaries available under:**
<https://www.unece.org/rfsd2017.html#/>

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- I. The 2030 Agenda underscores the importance of quality, accessible, timely and reliable **disaggregated data** to ensure that no one is left behind;
- II. The **statistical community has taken up this challenge** and initiated SDG-related activities at national, regional and global levels;
- III. Other elements mentioned:
 - a. Data needs to be based on **Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics**;
 - b. National statistical offices have a **key coordinating role**;
 - c. Support should also come from donors, through **South-South cooperation and partnerships**;
 - d. Link to the **Regional Road Map**;
 - e. It needs **data from outside the official statistical system** are needed;
- IV. No country or organization could succeed on its own – **collaboration and cooperation** were needed at all levels and with all relevant stakeholders to achieve the SDGs.

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The **conversation** with the political community at the regional forum and the HLPF is necessary (see resolution pertaining to the work of the UN Statistical Commission – paragraph 10)!

Thanks for your attention!

