6th Joint OECD/UNECE Seminar on Implementation of SEEA[1]

Online meetings, 9-11 March 2021

#SEEAseminar2021

Provisional Programme (v. 03/03/2021)

Note: The meeting will be held with Kudo with English and Russian interpretation. Times are in CET – time zone of Geneva and Paris.

Tuesday, 9 March 2021	
SESSION 1	**OPENING AND INTRODUCTION** Session organisers: OECD and UNECE Seminar co-chair: Ekaterina Poleshchuk (National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus
13:00 – 13:20	**Opening** - Ekaterina Poleshchuk (Seminar Chair, Belstat) - Lidia Bratanova (Director of UNECE Statistical Division) - Peter van de Ven (Head of OECD National Accounts) - Viveka Palm (Head of Eurostat Directorate on Sectoral and Regional Statistics) **Organisational and technical issues:** - Michael Nagy (UNECE)
13:20 – 13:30	**Update on discussions of work of UNCEEA, including revised SEEA-EA, at the 52nd Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission (2-5 March 2021)** (Alessandra Alfieri, UNSD)
13:30 – 13:40	**Update on discussions held at the 26th meeting of the London Group on Environmental Accounting** (Sven Kaumanns, Destatis, London Group Chair)
13:40 – 13:50	**Updating the 2008 SNA: Environmental-Economic Issues** (Peter van de Ven, OECD)
13:50 – 14:00	**Questions and answers**
SESSION 2	**SEEA ECOSYSTEM ACCOUNTS (SEEA-EA) AND ITS RELEVANCE IN POLICY AND DECISION MAKING** Session organisers: Australian Bureau of Statistics and UNSD Session Chair: P. Bhanumati (Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation of India)
14:00 – 14:05	**Introduction** (Session Chair)
14:10 – 14:55	**Part I: Policy context of SEEA-EA**

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[1] Members of the Organising Committee: National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus (Co-Chair), Statistics Netherlands (Co-Chair), Australian Bureau of Statistics, Statistics Canada, Statistics Finland, Federal Statistical Office of Germany, Statistics Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, National Statistical Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic, Statistics Sweden, Eurostat, UNDP Kyrgyzstan, UNSD, OECD, UNECE and Tillväxtanalys.

	• **Monitoring Framework for the Global Biodiversity Framework** (Jillian Campbell, UNEP-CBD)
	• **IUCN Motion on Accounting for Biodiversity** (Juha Siikamäki, IUCN)
	• **Accounting for biodiversity** (Trond Larsen/Rosimeiry Portela, Conservation International)
	Questions and answers
14:55 – 15:00	*Break*
15:00 – 15:55	**Part II: Implementation of SEEA-EA** • **Introduction to ARIES (Artificial Intelligence for Environment and Sustainability)** (Ken Bagstad, U.S. Geological Survey) • **Ecosystem Accounts in Brazil: Extension and Threatened Species** (Leonardo Bergamini, Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics) • **Country example Estonia** (Kaia Oras, Statistics Estonia) **Discussion facilitated by a discussant**
15:55 – 16:00	**Concluding remarks** (Session Chair)
16:00	**Closing of first day**

	Wednesday, 10 March 2021
SESSION 3	**MEASURING CIRCULAR ECONOMY WITH SEEA, AND THE ROLE OF WASTE ACCOUNTS** Session organisers: Statistics Canada, Statistics Finland and the National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus Session Chair: Sven Kaumanns (German Federal Statistical Office)
13:00 – 13:05	**Introduction** (Session Chair)
13:05 – 13:45	**Part I: Measuring Circular Economy with SEEA:** • **Main outcomes of the Conference of European Statisticians' In-Depth Review of Measuring Circular Economy** (Johanna Pakarinen, Statistics Finland) • **Measuring the circular economy and plastic waste** (Jeff Fritzsche, Statistics Canada) • **How can the government contribute to the greening of the industry through promoting resource efficient systems for materials and metals?** (Nancy Steinbach, Tillvaxtanalys Sweden) **Questions and answers**
13:45 – 14:45	**Part II: SEEA Waste Accounts** • **Questions for the audience** • **Introduction to waste accounts and possible integration with other SEEA accounts** (Arturo de la Fuente, Eurostat) • **Accounting of electronic wastes – lessons learned** (Kees Balde,

	United Nations University)
	Discussion, questions & answers
14:45 – 14:50	**Concluding remarks** (Session Chair)
14:50 – 14:55	*Break*
SESSION 4	**USING SEEA FOR POLICIES ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE** Session organisers: OECD, UNECE and UNSD Session Chair: Greg Peterson (Statistics Canada)
14:55 – 15:00	**Introduction** (Session Chair)
15:00 – 16:00	**Part I: SEEA for national climate change policy** • **Luxembourg** (Olivier Thunus, Statistics Luxembourg) • **Climate change and carbon accounts in Mexico** (Luis Miguel Galindo Paliza, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)) • **SEEA-based quarterly emission accounts in New Zealand** (Adam Tipper, Statistics New Zealand) **Discussion facilitated by a discussant** (Viveka Palm, Eurostat)
16:00	**Closing of second day**

	Thursday, 11 March 2021
SESSION 4	**USING SEEA FOR POLICIES ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE (CONT.)** Session organisers: OECD, UNECE and UNSD Session Chair: Greg Peterson (Statistics Canada)
13:00 – 14:15	**Part II: Panel discussion on sustainable finance and business accounting** Panellists: o **James Tebrake** (International Monetary Fund) o **Fabienne Fortanier** (Central Bank of Netherlands) o **Sanjay Singh** (Ambuja Cement, India)
14:15 – 14:20	**Concluding remarks**
14:20 – 14:25	*Break*
SESSION 5	**CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: STORYTELLING WITH SEEA** Session organisers: Tillväxtanalys, OECD and UNECE Session Chair: Nancy Steinbach (Tillväxtanalys)
14:25 – 14:30	**Introduction** (Session Chair)
14:30 – 14:45	**Lessons learned from sessions 2, 3 and 4** • Main take-aways in terms of storytelling with SEEA • What is the recommended way forward?

14:45– 15:45	**Panel discussion: How to tell a policy-relevant story with SEEA?** **Panellists:** **Nils Brown** (Statistics Sweden) **Irene Alvarado-Quesada** (Central Bank of Costa Rica) **Cathy Maguire** (European Environment Agency) **Jillian Campbell** (UNEP-CBD)
15:45 – 15:50	**Concluding remarks** (Session Chair)
15:50 – 16:00	**Closing of the Seminar** Seminar co-chair Gerard Eding (Statistics Netherlands)