

**Decisions submitted to silence procedure following formal meeting with remote participation
of the 69th plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians, 24-25 June 2021**

Agenda item	Document (LINK)	Decision
1	ECE/CES/100	The Conference adopted the provisional agenda of its 69 th session.
2	ECE/CES/2021/24	The Conference agreed that the CES High-level Group for Modernization of official Statistics will take on board the outcome of the session ‘Innovation in national statistical offices organization and working arrangements’ in the work on human resources and communication.
3	ECE/CES/2021/25 ECE/CES/2021/26 ECE/CES/2021/27 ECE/CES/2020/21	The Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - recognized the increasing need for climate change-related statistics and data, and the key role national statistical offices must play in meeting this need. Producing such data requires systemic approaches, linking various statistical fields, innovation, collaboration across the national statistical system and effective communication with users; - underlined the importance of timely data and the critical role of the System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA); - called for strengthening of international collaboration to develop classifications, manuals and link different standards to ensure comparable data across countries, taking into account the global and regional indicator sets and other ongoing initiatives, and coinvesting in relevant tools and data sources; - asked for a close collaboration with the policy process, including developing guidance on using statistics for reporting under the Enhanced Transparency Framework of the Paris Agreement; - asked to discuss the use of statistical and geospatial data for climate change (possibly at the 2022 plenary session); - supported the work of the CES Steering Group on Climate Change-Related Statistics.
4		The Conference agreed with the topics of the upcoming in-depth reviews: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subjective poverty measures (October 2021, led by Poland) ▪ Measuring the non-observed/informal economy (October 2021, led by Mexico) ▪ Collaboration with private sector data providers (February 2022, led by Poland with contributions from Canada, Mexico, Eurostat, IMF and ILO) ▪ How national statistical organizations adhere to the core values of official statistics (February 2022, led by Ireland and Canada)
4(a)	ECE/CES/2021/9	The Conference endorsed the outcome of the in-depth review on new forms of employment and quality of employment, including setting up a Task Force, and thanked Canada and CIS-Stat for translating the document into French and Russian.

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4(b)	ECE/CES/2021/8	<p>The Conference endorsed the outcome of the in-depth review of measuring circular economy.</p> <p>The Conference requested the Task Force on measuring circular economy to contribute a progress report on its work to the UNECE Commission Session in 2023.</p>
5	ECE/CES/2021/10 and 10/Add.1	<p>The Conference approved the annual report of the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics (HLG-MOS), including the outcomes of the activities carried out in 2020 and plans for the rest of 2021.</p> <p>The Conference supported the continuation of the work on modernization of official statistics. Statistical organizations are invited to support the HLG-MOS work programme and to become partners in the Statistical Modernization Community.</p>
6	ECE/CES/2021/17 ECE/CES/2021/30	<p>The Conference noted the importance of explicitly recognising, upholding and demonstrating the core values of official statistics, and requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Secretariat to initiate a conversation within the official statistics community to elaborate a list of core values of official statistics; ▪ the Bureau to oversee this work, including mapping of the core values to the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics, and defining behaviours that support the core values and the implementation of the Fundamental Principles; ▪ the Secretariat to report on progress at the 70th CES plenary session in 2022.
7	ECE/CES/2021/6 and 6/Add.1 ECE/CES/2021/4 and 4/Add.1 ECE/CES/2021/3 and 3/Add.1 ECE/CES/2021/5 and 5/Add.1	<p>The Conference endorsed the following documents, subject to the amendments presented in the summaries of e-consultations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd edition of the <i>CES Road Map on statistics for SDGs</i>; • <i>Waste statistics framework</i> • <i>Guidelines for assessing the quality of administrative data for censuses</i>; • <i>Approaches to measuring social exclusion</i> <p>The Conference welcomed the <i>Guide on producing CPI under lockdown</i>.</p> <p>The Conference encouraged countries to implement the materials, supported the directions for future work identified in the documents, and asked the CES Bureau to consider how to implement the proposals for future work.</p>
8	ECE/CES/2021/14	<p>The Conference:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ confirmed the decisions of the CES Bureau as reflected in their meeting reports and approved the report on the implementation of the 2020 UNECE Statistical Programme (ECE/CES/2021/14 and addenda);

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	ECE/CES/2021/15 and 15/Add.1 ECE/CES/2021/16 and 16/Add.1 ECE/CES/2023/INF.1 ECE/CES/2021/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ adopted the UNECE Statistical Programme for 2021, including changes to the publications programme; ▪ adopted the Programme of Work for 2022 including the list of planned publications and meetings, and recommended it to the EXCOM for approval; ▪ agreed with the outline of key components of the programme of work of Statistics subprogramme for 2023; ▪ agreed with the annual report by the Regional Coordination Group on Data and Statistics for Europe and Central Asia, and requested the group to continue reporting annually on its work. <p>The Conference agreed on the 70th CES plenary session to take place on 20-22 a.m. June 2022 (dates to be confirmed) in Geneva, back-to-back with the OECD Committee on Statistics and Statistical Policy.</p>
9	ECE/CES/2021/2	<p>The Conference elected the following Heads of National Statistical Offices to serve on the Bureau for the 2021-2023 term of office:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pdraig Dalton (Ireland) as Chair ▪ Stepan Mnatsakanyan (Armenia) ▪ Anil Arora (Canada) ▪ Dominik Rozkrut (Poland) ▪ Miladin Kovačević (Serbia) ▪ Ian Diamond (United Kingdom) ▪ Aija Zigure (Latvia) ▪ Julio Santaella (Mexico) (to reach out to ECLAC region) ▪ Mark Sowden (New Zealand) (to reach out to ESCAP region)