

Experimental Estimates and Forthcoming UNSD activities

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About the updating process

The [Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts \(ISWGNA\)](#), assisted by the [Advisory Expert Group on National Accounts \(AEG\)](#), oversees the overall 2008 SNA update programme.

The [Project Management](#) page contains all documents (workprogramme, governance arrangements, progress reports of the project manager, reports to the UNSC, minutes of ISWGNA meetings, etc.) relevant to the management of the update project.

A three-pronged approach is envisaged for the update of the 2008 SNA:

A. Undertaking technical research in prioritized and other national accounts issues and experimentation and testing of selected recommendations.

To address the issues a series of [Guidance Notes](#) are being developed. This list is based on the consolidated SNA research agenda and an [initial list of issues](#) considered for updating the 2008 SNA which was identified in July 2020.

A novel key feature within the research component of the update of the 2008 SNA work programme is the explicit inclusion of an [experimental estimation / early implementation](#) component for some recommendations in the guidance notes.

Dedicated task teams were established to undertake the technical research and draft guidance notes.

B. Engaging in a broad consultation on the issues related to the thematic areas.


The Broad Consultation component of the SNA update constitutes several rounds of interactions with various groups of stakeholders such as compilers, policymakers, academia, and the private sector. Among the instruments used to broadcast the update and collect feedback are online [Global Consultations](#) on the guidance notes and [Outreach](#) activities through global and regional webinars and forums.


C. Ensuring overall consistency with other statistical standards in the system of economic statistics.


For overlapping issues in the research agendas identified for the SNA, BPM, GFS, MFSM, SEEA, ISIC and CPC etc., the Task Teams were established consisting of subject matter experts from relevant Committees of Experts and other groups.


As of March 2022, of specific note is the historically close collaboration of the work on the [update of the BPM6](#) and the 2008 SNA and the efforts to align the two standards, as well as the engagement of the [Government Finance Statistics Community](#) in the update programme.


List of Task Teams


 **Digitalization Task Team**


 **Wellbeing and Sustainability Task Team**


 **Joint Globalization Task Team**


 **Joint Communication Task Team**


 **Joint Financial and Payment Systems Task Team**

 **Joint Informal Economy Task Team**

 **Joint Islamic Finance Task Team**

 **BPM Balance of Payments Task Team**

 **BPM Current Account Task Team**

 **BPM Direct Investment Task Team**

The impact of the new recommendations

Task Team on
issues relating
Communication

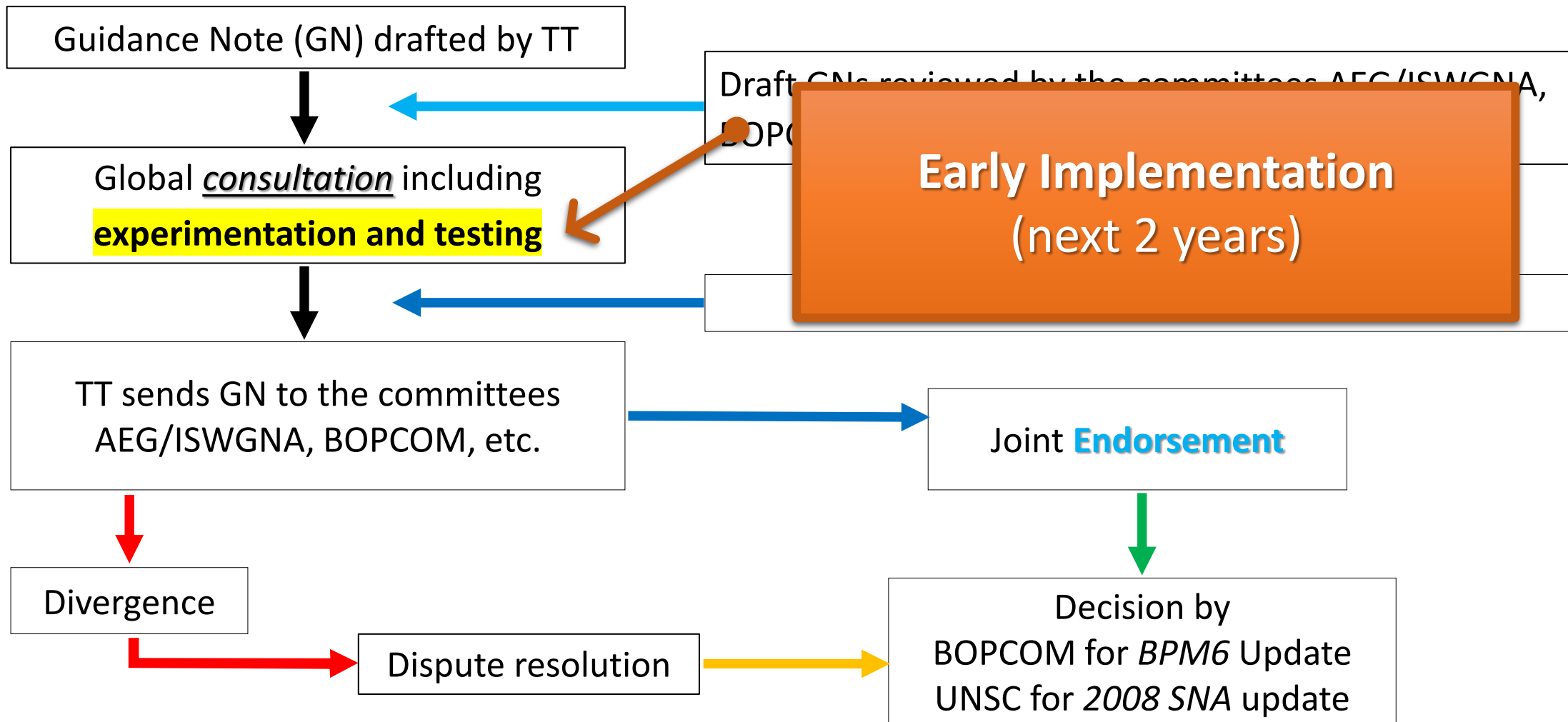
The SNA update work is in full swing:

- Most of the **research work** has been conducted;
- Several Guidance Notes (GN) have been **endorsed** for publication;
- Other GNs are in the process to be cleared for **global consultation** (GC);

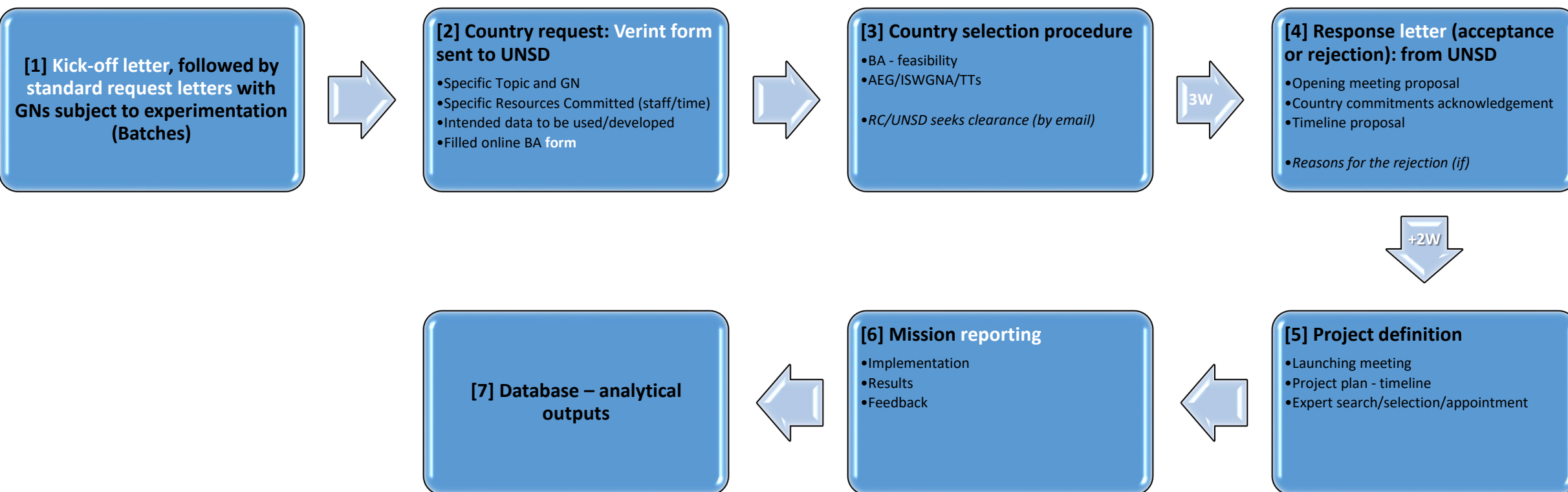
The recommendations can be categorized in terms of their impact on the NA concepts and definitions. Nonetheless, it is important to be aware of their potential impact on the current **compilation practices**, for instance:

Type 1:	Proposes a change to the 2008 SNA boundaries
Type 2:	Proposes a change to the 2008 SNA Central Framework
Type 3:	Proposes supplementary tables (within boundaries)
Type 4:	Proposes extended/satellite accounts (beyond boundaries)

Guidance Note Life Cycle



Experimental Estimates – proposed flow



Harmonized templates

Role of UNSD

Overall coordinator for global consultations of guidance notes and experimentation and testing exercises

- Prepare online Verint questionnaires for global consultations and experimental estimates exercises, in consultation with the relevant task teams
- Circulate guidance notes for global consultation and invitation letters for experimental estimates exercises
- Process outcomes of global consultations and experimental estimates exercises
- Maintain [global consultations](#) website
- Organize [outreach activities](#) through global and regional webinars and forums, in collaboration with relevant partners

Consultations

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Below is the list of consultations carried out on the 2008 SNA update issues. Detailed information and available comments for each consultation can be accessed by selecting the corresponding consultation from the list.

Consultation	Posted	Status	Deadline	Report
Testing - Assessment of FISIM Compilation Methodologies and Practices	9/19/2022	Closed	9/19/2022	No
Testing - CM.1 An Assessment Framework to Measure Alignment with the International Economic Accounting and Statistics Standards	8/23/2022	Closed	9/23/2022	No
Testing - DZ.6 Recording of Data in the National Accounts - Questionnaire for Phase 1 testing	8/23/2022	Open	10/31/2022	No
WS.8 Biological Resources & WS.10 Mineral and Energy Resources & WS.11 Renewable Energy Resources	7/6/2022	Closed	9/15/2022	No
Testing - F.2 Asymmetric Treatment of Retained Earnings	7/6/2022	Open	9/30/2022	No
WS.9 Recording of Provisions	6/29/2022	Closed	8/24/2022	No
WS.7 Treatment of Emission Permits	5/25/2022	Closed	6/23/2022	No
DZ.9 Incorporating Digital Intermediation Platforms into the System of National Accounts	5/18/2022	Closed	6/16/2022	No
DZ.7 Improving the Visibility of Artificial Intelligence in the National Accounts	5/18/2022	Closed	6/16/2022	No
F.14 Treatment of Factoring Transactions	5/17/2022	Closed	6/10/2022	No
F.13 Margins on Buying and Selling Transactions	5/17/2022	Closed	6/10/2022	No
DZ.6 Recording of data in the National Accounts	4/14/2022	Closed	5/13/2022	No
DZ.3 Treatment of "free" Digital Products in the "core" National Accounts & DZ.4 Recording and Valuing "free" Digital Products in an SNA Satellite Account	4/14/2022	Closed	5/13/2022	No
WS.5 Health and Social Conditions	4/11/2022	Closed	5/2/2022	No

Forthcoming activities of UNSD

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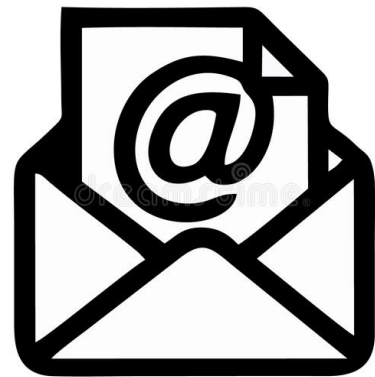
- [Second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress](#) (10-14 Oct 2022)
- 3rd meeting of Measurement of Inflation of Owner-Occupied Housing in the CPI sprint (24 Oct 2022)
- [International Seminar on Data Stewardship and the Secure Sharing of Data](#) (2-3 Nov 2022)
- [Thirteenth meeting of the IAEG-SDGs](#) (7-9 Nov 2022)
- [7th International Conference on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics](#) (7-11 Nov 2022)
- [Global Conference on Macroeconomic Statistics for the Future](#) (10-11 Nov 2022)
- [Workshop on Earth Observation for Ecosystem Accounting - EO4EA 2022](#) (28 Nov 2022-1 Dec 2022)

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- [54th Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission](#) (28 Feb-3 Mar 2023)
- 3rd Session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (1-5 May 2023)

[Global Calendar of Statistical Events](#)

Thank you for your attention



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