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SESSION 1: NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEGISLATION

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PAATA SHAVISHVILI, GEOSTAT



Paata Shavishvili has been serving as the Deputy Executive Director of GEOSTAT since June 2018. With a career spanning over two decades at the National Statistics Office of Georgia, Mr. Shavishvili has held various key roles. From 2001, he began his journey at the organization as a chief economist. From 2010 to 2018 he was appointed as a head of the Population Census and Demographic Statistics Division. Between 2008 and 2010, he served as the Head of the Social and Demographic Statistics Division.

Mr. Shavishvili holds a higher education degree in economics and is proficient in multiple languages, including Georgian (native), English, and Russian.

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Slobodan Malevski works at the State Statistical Office of the Republic of North Macedonia.

He graduated from law school in Skopje. He holds the position of Head of the Department for Legal Affairs and has 35 years of work experience. He began his career at the State Statistical Office in 1990 and has progressed from a beginner to his current position. Throughout his career, he has been involved in tasks related to human resources management and has directly participated in the preparation of legal documents and by-laws within the jurisdiction of the State Statistical Office.

He is directly involved in the preparation of the Laws on Census of Population and the Laws on Census of Agriculture. He participated in the preparation of the Law on State Statistics in 1997, working with an expert group of representatives from the European Union, and coordinated all activities related to the amendments and additions to the law. He has attended several trainings, seminars, and workshops both domestically and abroad in the field of legislation and statistical confidentiality.

BOJANA RADOJEVIC, STATISTICAL OFFICE OF MONTENEGRO

Bojana Radojevic MSc (Master of science in Statistics - EMOS and Master of science in Entrepreneurial Economy), worked in several domains, in Statistical office of Montenegro since 2002, ranging from national accounts, foreign trade statistics, coordinator of census population and coordinator of quality of official statistics. The past 10 years she has been active as head of Department for National coordination of statistical source of data. Her focus expanded to organizational arrangements for producing statistics, co-ordination of statistical activities, minimize reporting burden of respondents, statistics legislation and statistical standards.

She was member of EMOS board (2018-2020 and 2021-2023), current she is member of working groups related quality in statistics.

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Stepan Mnatsakanyan is currently the President of the Statistical Committee of the Republic of Armenia. As President, he started to work at the Statistical Office of Armenia in 1998. He is PhD in Economics, and since 1991 Associate Professor of the Department of Management of the Armenian State University of Economics.

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Gabriel Gamez has been the Inter-regional Adviser on Organization and Management of National Statistical Systems at the United Nations Statistics Division in New York since 2015. He is responsible for implementing and monitoring various global initiatives and programs to modernize national statistical systems' institutional frameworks and governance mechanisms supporting the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other international and national development policies.

He began his professional career at the Swiss Federal Statistical Office in 1991 and was appointed in 2004 Chief Statistician of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA). From 2010 to 2015, he served as Regional Adviser in Statistics at United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) in Geneva. Mr Gámez holds degrees in social science and economics, and he is post-graduated in Statistics from the University of Neuchâtel.

SESSION 2: LEGAL CHALLENGES IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS – DATA ACCESS, SHARING, PRIVACY AND TECHNOLOGY

RICHARD RAGNARSON, STATISTICS NORWAY (SESSION CHAIR)



Richard Ragnarsøn is Head of International Secretariat in Statistics Norway, and he is responsible for international as well as national coordination of official statistics.

He started his career in Statistics Norway in 1993 working with business statistics, and he was deputy head of division until he joined Eurostat in 2001 as a seconded national expert followed by a period as deputy head of the EFTA Statistical Office in Luxembourg until 2009.

He holds a degree in economics from the University of Oslo.

DAGMARA KOSKA, EUROSTAT

Dr Dagmara Koska is Head of Unit responsible for Eurostat's legal affairs, planning & evaluation activities as well as document management. Between 2018 and 2023, she worked as a diplomat for the European External Action Service. She was posted at the EU Delegation to the USA in Washington D.C., where she deputized for the Head of Global Issues and Innovation Section comprising climate, energy, environment, maritime affairs, transport, research & innovation and health policies. She oversaw climate and energy policies and managed EU relations with the U.S. Administration, the U.S. Congress, the U.S. States and municipalities, non-governmental organisations, academia and industry.



From 2014 to 2018, Dagmara Koska worked as Member of Cabinet of the Vice-President of the European Commission, Maroš Šefčovič (Energy Union). Prior to that role, Dagmara worked as Member of Cabinet of the Commissioner for Energy, Mr. Günther Oettinger.

Dagmara is a German lawyer specialising in the German and International Competition and Energy Law and holds a Doctorate in the European Antitrust Law from Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität in Bonn, Germany. Dagmara has been a guest lecturer at a number of renowned U.S. and European universities.

Before joining the European Commission in 2008, Dagmara worked in law firms Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP in Cologne and Redeker Sellner Dahs in Bonn, Germany, advising clients on German and International competition and corporate law.

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Peter Struijs is statistical officer for big data and trusted smart statistics at Eurostat, where he has contributed to the revision of the framework regulation on European statistics, in particular by supporting the High-Level Expert Group on facilitating the use of new data sources for official statistics and in drafting the Impact Assessment for that revision. Peter was previously employed by Statistics Netherlands, where he was the coordinator of the ESSnet Big Data, a research programme in which 28 partners of the European Statistical System (ESS) jointly investigated the possibilities for the ESS to use big data for official statistics. Before big data became prominent, Peter was Head of Unit for process development and quality management at Statistics Netherlands. He is an elected member of the International Statistical Institute.

JELENA ŽIVKOVIĆ, STATISTICAL OFFICE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

Jelena Živković is currently employed as a legal advisor at the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia. She obtained her degree from the Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade, in 2006.

With over a decade of experience in the private sector, Jelena transitioned to the public sector in 2016 when she joined the Directorate for Property of the Republic of Serbia. In this role, she focused on the disposition of real estate in public ownership.

In 2020, Jelena brought her wealth of experience to the SORS team, where she undertakes a variety of legal tasks. Her responsibilities include preparing legal and sub-legal acts in the field of statistics; drafting various types of contracts; managing property disposal and procurement procedures, contributing to tasks related to various IPA projects, including the Census of Population and Agriculture Census; facilitating cooperation among state authorities; and handling user requests.

Throughout her career, Jelena has demonstrated a strong commitment to legal excellence and a proactive approach to problem-solving.

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Aleksandar Ninkovic is currently employed as a legal advisor at the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia. He obtained his degree from the Faculty of Law at the University of Belgrade, Serbia.

During his four-year tenure at the statistical office, Aleksandar has demonstrated proficiency in various legal tasks. This includes active involvement in legislative activities, particularly in the development and adoption of new statistical laws. Additionally, he has collaborated closely with the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance and Data Protection, managed user requests, and contributed to multiple IPA projects.

Aleksandar has played a significant role in the planning, administration, organization, coordination, and reporting of diverse statistical research initiatives, notably including the Census of Population and Agriculture Census.

Moreover, earlier this year, Aleksandar undertook a professional assignment in Luxembourg at EUROSTAT, specifically in Unit B3 - Enlargement, neighbourhood, and development cooperation. During his time there, he actively participated in the activities of the Western Balkans and Türkiye Team, focusing on tasks related to statistical cooperation.

MARCELA ESCANDON, DANE COLOMBIA



Historian, political scientist and Master in Political Science from Los Andes University, Colombia, with 15 years of experience in the design, processing, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of legislation and public policies with differential approaches to victims, Internal Displaced People -IDPs, gender and ethnic-racial population, including the production of official statistics with these dimensions for decision making.

She has experience from Academia, Civil Society and Public Sector in Legislative Tracking, design of high-quality legislation and policies for vulnerable and historically discriminated populations, articulation and dialogue with communities and key stakeholders in complex social contexts, inter-institutional work in the public sector for the analysis and proposal of solutions for social problems, and in-depth knowledge about legislative process in Colombia.

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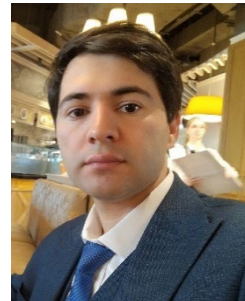
Intizar Aliyeva was born on March 11, 1997, in Azerbaijan. Following her graduation in 2014, she attended Baku State University's Faculty of Law from 2014 to 2018. After that, she spent a year working as an intern in a variety of courts and law firms.

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Since 2016, he has worked as a leading advisor-lawyer and head of sector in the Human Resources and Law Department of the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan, and currently he is the deputy head of that department.



JULIEN DUPONT, OECD

Julien Dupont has been working at the OECD Statistics and Data Directorate for more than 20 years. He held several positions in various areas in this Directorate, including prices, measurement of capital, productivity, and participated in the statistical reviews of candidate countries for OECD membership and in the development of the OECD Recommendation on Good Statistical Practice. His current activities covers the renewal of the Quality framework of OECD statistical activities, OECD internal quality reviews, OECD statistical reviews based on the Recommendation, global relations, and the Development Data Partnership, an initiative that facilitates access to private sector data for public good. He is member of the organising committee of the Expert meeting on modernising statistical legislation since its creation.

SESSION 3: STATISTICAL LEGISLATION IN THE EXPANDING LEGAL DATA ECOSYSTEMS

BARBARA JAROSIŃSKA, STATISTICS POLAND (SESSION CHAIR)

Due to her legal education background Barbara's journey with Statistics Poland started with purely legal tasks (she had worked in the legal division). Then, she moved to the International Relations and Statistical Cooperation Department in which she currently holds the position of Deputy Director. In her capacities she coordinates cooperation with the EU institutions with

the focus on the legislative process. In this respect she is also a Polish representative in the EU Council Working Party on Statistics.

AIKATERINI KATSOURAKI, HELLENIC STATISTICAL AUTHORITY



Aikaterini Katsouraki is a Legal Associate at President's Office.

Drawing on her expertise in data, intellectual property and EU law, Aikaterini joined the Hellenic Statistical Authority as a legal advisor for strategic issues of EU and international statistical cooperation in 2020. She has been participating in the Council Working Party on Statistics for 3 years. She is also a member of UNECE's Steering Group on Statistical Legislation.

Before, she worked in the European Union Intellectual Property Office, the European Patent Office and in a life sciences law firm. Graduate from the University of Athens (LLB) and the University of Leeds (LLM in Intellectual Property Law) and certified as Information Privacy Professional (EU) and Information Privacy Manager by IAPP.

BARTELD BRAAKSMA, STATISTICS NETHERLANDS

Barteld Braaksma is innovation manager at CBS, the National Statistical Institute of the Netherlands. In this role he has initiated and supported a wide range of innovation tracks, often in the form of concrete pilots or proofs of concept. Examples include piloting of machine-readable open data, the first infographics published by CBS, the introduction of a process mining tool for internal purposes, concrete big data experiments and pilots involving the use of mobile devices and sensors. In many cases, these innovation tracks have been realised in close collaboration with partners like cities, universities, large companies and small start-ups.



In the past, Barteld has been involved in a broad range of activities at CBS, including research and development of new statistics, quality management and enterprise architecture. Beside his CBS duties, Barteld is active in different national and international groups; for example as chair of the UN/ECE Blue Skies Thinking Network and as a member of the TAILOR network for trustworthy AI. He is also involved in the recently launched Innovation Network for the European Statistical System. Barteld was trained as a mathematician, in particular in nonlinear dynamics and chaos theory. Before and during his career at CBS he taught mathematics at universities in Holland and Belgium. In his free time, Barteld likes to play bridge; which implies a form of data processing which neither concerns open data nor big data.

STEPH TURNER, UNITED KINGDOM STATISTICS AUTHORITY

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BILAL KURBAN, TURKISH STATISTICAL INSTITUTE



Bilal Kurban is the head of the Artificial Intelligence and Data Analysis Unit under the Data Governance Department of the Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat). As an expert on official statistics with over 22 years of professional experience in TurkStat, he has experience acquiring, validating, processing, analyzing, and disseminating data for official statistics purposes. He has worked in various units, including subject matter, information technologies, coordination, dissemination and data collection units. Therefore, his expertise spans nearly all stages of the official statistical production process.

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Rikke holds an MSc in mathematics and computer science, a Diploma in Economics and is a certified teacher.

SESSION 4: LEGAL ISSUES FROM OTHER GROUPS AND OTHER EMERGING ISSUES

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Prior to his appointment as Regional Adviser on statistics, he was chief of the UNECE Statistical Management and Modernisation Unit and secretariat of the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics. Before joining UNECE in 2010, Taeke worked at UNECLAC, UNDESA and Eurostat as well as at various national statistical offices, universities, research institutes, the academy of science, and at private companies.

He studied Demography (BSc and MSc), Spatial Sciences (BSc and MSc) and Business and Development Economics.

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