



Report on the work of the Steering Group and its new terms of reference

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UNECE Steering Group on Climate Change-Related Statistics

Active Members (± 15)

National statistical offices: Canada (2024-); Netherlands (Chair 2021-2023), Luxembourg (Chair 2018-2020), Norway (Chair 2015-2017), Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, ...

International organizations: UNECE, UNFCCC, ECLAC, FAO, IEA, EEA, Eurostat, OECD, ...

Other (academics/experts): Midsummer Analytics, ...

Objective

- To provide direction to the Conference of European Statisticians (CES) work on climate change-related statistics, identify and address emerging issues and facilitate the implementation of CES guidelines in this area.

More information available on the [UNECE SG website](#)

History of the SG

- April 2014 – CES endorsed CES Recommendations on CC-related statistics
- Oct. 2014 – SG established
- 2018 & 2023 – CES Bureau reviewed work of the Steering Group and renewed terms of reference
- New Terms of reference is for the period 2023-2028

Work done between 2018 and 2023

- A. Steering CES activities in climate change-related statistics
- B. Methodological work
- C. Follow-up on the progress and promoting sharing of ideas and good practices
- D. Collaboration with international organizations
- E. Renewed ToR for the SG

[Link to 2023 Report on the Work of the SG](#)

A. Steering CES activities in CC-related statistics



- Expert fora for users and producers
- In-depth review of the role of the statistical community in climate action, 2020
- Session on official statistics for climate action during the 2021 CES plenary session



[2023 Expert Forum](#)
[2012-2022 Expert Fora](#)
[2020 In-depth Review](#)

B. Methodological work - identifying and addressing new areas



Task Forces (TF)

- TF on the set of core climate change-related statistics and indicators
- TF on measuring hazardous events and disasters
- TF on the role of NSOs in achieving national climate objectives

Subgroups + Webinar

- Subgroup on climate change adaptation
- Subgroup on green finance and green investment
- UNECE/IEA/Eurostat Webinar on Administrative Microdata for Climate Change, Environment and Energy Statistics

Publications available on the [UNECE CC-related statistics website](#)

C. Follow-up on progress & promoting sharing and good practices



- Questionnaire on “Climate Change-Related Statistics in Practice” (2021-)
- Wiki with good practices on climate change-related statistics (no longer supported)
- Collection of climate change adaptation case studies (2021-)
- EFTA/UNECE Training Webinars on Climate Change-related Statistics (Dec. 2020/ Jan. 2022)

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D. Collaboration with international organizations



- Participation of international organizations on the SG (e.g., ECLAC, EEA, Eurostat, FAO, IEA, OECD, and UNFCCC)
- Participation of international organizations on task forces (e.g., IMF, PARIS21, ECA, ESCAP, and UNSD)
- Updates on work of the SG and its TFs to other international groups (e.g, UN Expert Meeting on Environment Statistics, OECD WPEI, UNCEEAA Area A, and others)
- Keynote speeches at the EF by international organizations (e.g., OECD, UNFCCC, WASP, and IMF)
- CES Set of Core-Climate Change-Related Statistics and Indicators
- Launched Expert Forum for Producers and Users of Disaster-Related Statistics and the Interagency Expert Group on Disaster-Related Statistics
- Co-organized a side event at COP28 in Dubai with UNDRR, UNU, and UNOPS.

COP28 side event: Enabling climate action through data, transparency and finance



[Recording and materials available on the side event website](#)

Next Steps - SG Terms of Reference (2023 – 2028)



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Planned Activities and Outputs

- a) Steer CES and co-ordinate with relevant groups
- b) Organize UNECE EF and related events
- c) Oversee Task Forces
- d) Identify areas requiring further work or guidelines
- e) Provide advice on methodological work
- f) Promote sharing of ideas and best practices
- g) Follow up on implementation of CES guidelines and recommendations
- h) Advise on and identify options for capacity development
- i) Collaborate closely with related international organisations, discuss roles and responsibilities of statistical community and foster exchange of experience and knowledge between producers and users

Terms of reference available [on UNECE website](#)



Thank you

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