



**Regional Workshop on National Accounts and the development of Economic Statistics
Infrastructure within SDGs Framework**

15 – 18 May 2017

Amman, Jordan

Provisional Daily Programme

Monday, 15 May 2017		
08.30 – 09.00	Registration of participants	
09.00 – 09.15	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome Statements (ESCWA, AITRS, UNSD) ▪ Getting-to-know-you ▪ Objectives of the workshop and levelling of expectations 	
09.15 – 10.00	Introductory session about SDGs	UNSD
10.00 - 10.30	The Economic Pillar of the UN DA on SDGs	ESCWA
10.30 – 11.00	Group Photo & Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.00	How are countries doing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert Presentation:</i> Status of global and regional implementation of 2008 SNA and its major challenges • <i>Plenary Discussion</i> 	UNSD
12.00 – 13.00	Impact of implementing 2008 SNA on GDP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert presentation and discussion:</i> Illustrating the effect of adopting 2008 SNA on GDP estimates • <i>Regional challenges:</i> Impact of SNA 2008 Implementation on SDGs from the regional perspective 	UNSD ESCWA
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break	

14.00 – 14.40	Impact of implementing 2008 SNA on GDP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Selected country reports:</i> National progress on SNA implementation and SDG monitoring [4 countries @10 minutes each] 	Countries
14.40 – 15.15	<i>The implementation of SNA 2008 and its impact on SDG monitoring: The African experience</i>	ECA
15.15 – 16.00	Relevant SDG issues within Integrated Economic Statistics	ESCWA
Tuesday, 16 May 2017		
09.00 – 09.45	<i>Customized Supply and Use Tables (CSUT)</i> CSUT methodology for Statistical Purposes	ESCWA
09.45 – 10.30	Different needs for Supply and Use tables	
10.30 – 11.00	Requirements for developing SSUTs	
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break	
11.30 – 12.00	Discussion	All
12.00 – 13.00	<i>The Informal Economy: Concepts & definitions; the NOE and the informal sector</i>	UNSD
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break	
14.00 – 14.45	<i>Incorporating the informal sector into National Accounts: Practical guidance for covering Informal Sector in the region</i>	ECA
14.45 – 15.15	<i>A Closer look at the Informal Economy in Western Asia: Activities which are not directly observed (or only partly) in ESCWA's countries' GDP estimates?</i>	ESCWA & Countries
15.15 – 16.00	<i>Country case study: Experience in using Supply and Use Tables for Informal Economy Coverage (15 min each)</i>	Tunis Egypt Palestine
Wednesday, 17 May 2017		
09.00 – 10.00	<i>Administrative Sources: Making good use of administrative data for the compilation of Supply and Use Tables</i>	ECA
10.00 – 11.00	<i>Business Registers: The use of SBRs in meeting the requirements of National Accounts and SDGs</i>	Expert

11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break	
11.30 – 12.00	<i>Other data sources for capturing statistical units</i> Questions and Discussion	All
12.00 – 13.00	<i>Informal activity - Methods and Estimation Techniques:</i> Estimating informal activity indirectly: using related indicators and the commodity flow approach	UNSD
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break	
14.00 – 14.30	Country experiences in data collection mechanisms for covering informal economy and measuring previously non-observed activities (2 countries @15 min)	Countries
14.30 – 15.30	<p>National accounts and balance of payments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Expert presentation and discussion:</i> Overview of linkages between national accounts and balance of payments and how the balance of payments can be used to compile national accounts <p><i>Selected Practices:</i> Using balance of payments statistics in compiling national accounts [2 countries @ 10 minutes each]</p>	UNSD
15.30 – 16.00	<p>Overview of financial corporations sector and its subsectors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Expert presentation and discussion:</i> The financial corporations sector and its subsectors within the 2008 SNA framework 	UNSD
Thursday, 18 May 2017		
<p><i>Financial corporations and measurement of output of financial services</i></p> <p><i>Objectives:</i> (a) to provide an overview of the financial corporations sector and its subsectors within the 2008 SNA framework; (b) to discuss methods and approaches to measure and allocate the output of various financial services.</p>		
09.00 - 09.30	<p>Overview of charges for financial services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Expert presentation and discussion:</i> Overview of various ways to measure the output of financial services and data sources 	UNSD

09.30 – 10.30	<p>Financial services provided in association with interest charges on loans and deposits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert presentation and plenary discussion:</i> Overview and measurement of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) in light of 2008 SNA changes • <i>Selected practices:</i> Estimation of FISIM [2 countries @ 10 minutes each] 	UNSD
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.00	<p>Insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert presentation and plenary discussion:</i> Overview and measurement of life, non-life insurance and reinsurance services in the 2008 SNA • <i>Selected Practices:</i> Estimates of insurance services [2 countries @ 10 minutes each] 	UNSD
12.00 – 13.00	<p>Social insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert presentation and plenary discussion:</i> Overview and measurement of output associated with social insurance schemes (i.e., social security and employment-related social insurance schemes) 	UNSD
13.00 – 14.00	Coffee Break	
14.00 – 14.30	<p>Financial services associated with acquisition and disposal of financial assets and liabilities in financial markets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Expert presentation and plenary discussion:</i> Overview and measurement of financial services calculated using a buy-sell spread 	UNSD
14.30 – 15.45	<p>Expert consultation</p> <p><i>Expert Question and Answer Session</i> – The session gives an opportunity for participants to raise questions and issues of specific interest in GDP compilation and indicators for the SDGs which are related to GDP. Resource persons will respond to questions and guide participants on how to deal with the specific issues.</p>	AITRS, ESCWA, UNSD
15.45 – 16.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Way Forward • Evaluation • Closing 	AITRS, ESCWA UNSD