



Timeline and process for the revision of the SEEA

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Background

- Project Management Framework submitted to the UNSC
- February 2012 – submission of Volume 1 and relevant parts of Vol. 3 to the UNSC
- February 2013 Vol. 2 and remaining parts of Vol. 3



Timeline

- Timeline is tight
 - 3 months to draft each chapter and revision of previous chapters



Process

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 - Editor drafts chapter
 - Technical group reviews and comments
 - Revised chapter is submitted for global consultation
 - Chapter is revised again



Technical Group

- ISWGNA reviewed all chapters before global consultation and assisted the editor
- Should a technical group with similar task be established? If yes, 4 options:
 - Option (a) – London Group
 - Option (b) – Sub-group of the London Group
 - Option (c) – Inter-agency group
 - Option (d) – Technical tier of the Bureau



Pro and cons of options

Option	Pro	Cons
London Group	Expertise	Too large Difficult to get commitment Difficult to manage
Subgroup LG	Expertise	Difficult to get commitment Difficult to manage
Inter-agency group	Agencies are on board	Some agencies have not yet been engaged
Bureau – technical tier	Direct relation to the Bureau Expertise	Need to be given time to review



Questions to the UNCEEA

- *Does the UNCEEA agree with the proposed time table?*
- *Does the UNCEEA agree with the proposed process for drafting the SEEA?*
- *Does the UNCEEA agree with the establishment of a technical group to assist the editor and review draft chapters? If yes, which option:*
 - (a) *London Group on Environmental Accounting*
 - (b) *Subgroup of London Group*
 - (c) *Inter-agency Group*
 - (d) *Technical tier bureau?*