



REPORT OF THE SEEA EDITOR

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INTRODUCTION

- The new SEEA editor
- Work to date on SEEA revision
- Key short term issues
- Overview of timeframes
- Proposed consultation process



WORK TO DATE ON SEEA REVISION

- Work of the London Group, Oslo Group and UNCEEA
 - Update from Mark de Haan
- Work of Peter Comisari, SEEA interim editor
 - Draft outlines, tables, outcome papers
- Background reading
 - Status and history of SEEA revision
- Project management
 - Outline, timeframes, process map
- Editorial Board
 - First meeting held



KEY SHORT TERM ISSUES

- Finalising outcome papers
 - Still over 60% to be completed although only three are considered **not** closed by the London Group
- Undertaking consultation on each issue and developing recommendations for UNSC
- Finalising the outline of SEEA Vol I including the detail around the boundary between Vol I & II and their rationales
- Determining all necessary classifications
- Ensuring coherence across issues
- Commencing drafting



PROPOSED CONSULTATION PROCESS

- Key phases
 - London Group phase (2-4 weeks)
 - Outcome paper and LG consultation and endorsement
 - Editorial Board phase (1-2 weeks)
 - LG comments and covering note
 - Global Consultation phase (4 weeks)
 - UNCEEA phase (2 weeks)
 - Approval of recommendations

- Outcome: Paper summarising recommendations for UNSC approval February 2011



GLOBAL CONSULTATION PHASE

- Issue or theme based approach
 - Take 20 issues and group into related issues for common posting and commenting
 - 5 groups each with their own timing
- Inclusive approach – 2 broad methods
 - NSOs invited to coordinate all “within-country” comment both statistical users and producers
 - Editorial Board, on advice from UNCEEA members, to determine key international level stakeholders for each issue/group of issues
- All NSO key contacts and key international stakeholders informed of progress and forthcoming developments.



OVERVIEW OF TIME FRAMES

- LG & EB consultation – issues: Jun 10 – Nov 10
- Global consultation – issues: Sep 10 – Dec 10
- UNSC approval of recommendations: Feb 11
- First draft – chapters 2-7: Aug 10 – Feb 11
- Second draft – chapters 1-7: Feb 11 – May 11
- Global consultation – chapters: Apr 11 – Jun 11
- Complete Vol I & assoc. material: Sep 11
- Global consultation – Vol I : Nov 11
- UNSC approval of Volume I & assoc. material:
Feb 12
- UNSC endorsement Vol II & III: Feb 13



ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

- Does UNCEEA have any comment on the process map document describing roles and stages in the SEEA revision?
- Does UNCEEA have any advice or comment on the consultation process?
 - Should the consultation be statistically focused?
 - Is the NSO / International separation to identify stakeholders appropriate?
- Are there any comments regarding the broad timeframes for completing Volume I?

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