

System of Environmental Economic Accounting

Supporting Indonesia and Malaysia in developing and strengthening environmental-economic accounting for improved monitoring of sustainable development

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## ADVANCING ENVIRONMENTAL-ECONOMIC ACCOUNTING FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONAL POLICY



#### **International statistical standard**

- The SEEA Central Framework was adopted as an international statistical standard by the UN Statistical Commission in 2012
- The SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting complements the Central Framework and represents international efforts toward coherent ecosystem accounting





# The SNA and SEEA: Systems of integrated information





## What is the SEEA?

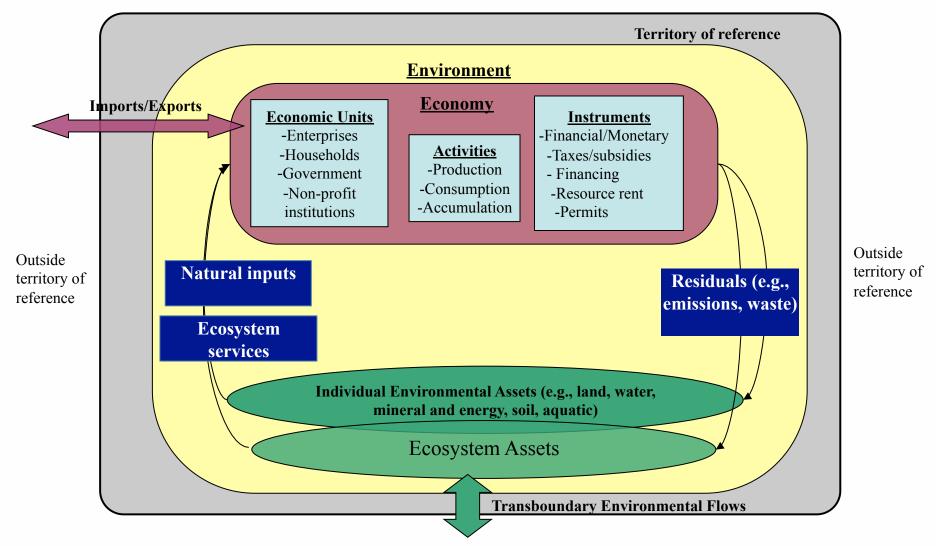
#### SEEA is the international statistical standard for measuring the relationship between the environment and the economy.

•Two perspectives: individual environmental assets (Central Framework) and ecosystems (Experimental Ecosystem Accounting)

- •Stocks and flows
- •Coherent and internally consistent
- •Integrated/Linked to SNA
- •Comprehensive
- •Time series measuring same concept over time
- •Apply to both physical and monetary based data



## **SEEA Conceptual Framework**





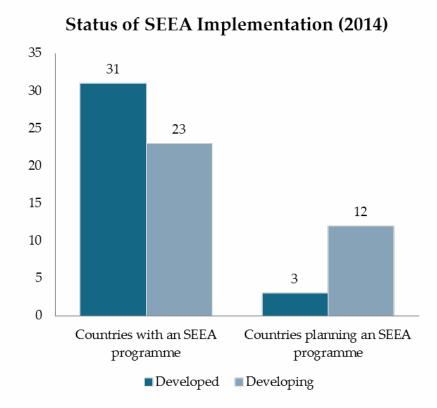
## **3. Implementation of the SEEA**

#### • Implementation strategy (2013) objectives:

- > Adopt the SEEA as the measurement framework for sustainable development
- > Mainstream SEEA implementation in countries
  - **Target 100 countries by 2020** for adoption of SEEA Central Framework
  - Target 50 countries by 2020 for adoption of SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting
- > Establish technical capacity for regular reporting
  - Training materials
  - Guidance documents
  - Knowledge platform



#### **Status of SEEA implementation**



- Global Assessment on Environmental Economic Accounting 2017
  - > 84 countries responded
  - > 54 countries have an SEEA program
  - Accounts most commonly compiled;
  - Air Emissions, Material Flows, Energy (due to Eurostat legislation)
  - Priorities accounts going forward;
  - > Developed Countries: Energy, EPEA and EGSS
  - Developing Countries: Energy, Water and Environmental Taxes and Subsidies



## Sustainable Development Goals and SEEA



The SEEA is an important statistical framework for **monitoring the SDGs** in an integrated way



#### **Indicators based on standards**

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≻Higher quality

>International comparability

Comprehensive basis for (dis)aggregation

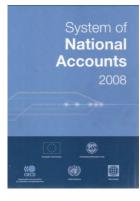
#### >Standards for Statistics

Aligned Definitions and Classifications

Improved capacity to compare and/or combine statistics from different sectors

► Basis for coherent and comprehensive data sets

Frameworks to coherently integrate information:







### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**



#### **Project overview**

- Supporting countries in strengthening the **institutional** and **technical** capacity for the development of an integrated system in support of sustainable development
- Work with 4 countries:
  - > Malaysia
  - > Indonesia
  - > Uganda
  - > Kenya
- Duration: Until end of 2017



## **Project activities and outputs**

#### Activities

•Training workshop (Malaysia, 2016)

•Support national and international consultants to develop the assessment and national plan and development of accounts

•Regional workshop to showcase results

•National workshops to present National Plans and support inter-institutional cooperation

#### Outputs

- •Completed national assessment
- •Agreed national plan
- •Compilation of at least one selected SEEA module on a pilot basis



## **Project activities and outputs**

#### Malaysia

- •National Plan for advancing SEEA
- •Physical supply and use tables (PSUT) for energy and water accounts
- •Other accounts have also been compiled (e.g. energy, air emissions)
- •Work on linking with economic data

#### Indonesia

- •Building on National Plan for SEEA in Indonesia, 2015
- •Physical and monetary SUT for energy
- •Air emission accounts
- •Material flow accounts
- •Work on linking with economic data

Share experience with other countries through regional workshops and establish community of practice



### **Project sustainability**

- Production and application of environmental-economic accounts and indicators
- Formalizing the inter-agency platforms among stakeholders for data sharing and production of results
- Continued international support
- Mainstreaming the SEEA in the regular production process of the statistical system
- Use of accounts in evidence based decision making



### Areas of work of the UNCEEA

- Area A Coordination (Statistics Canada)
- Area B Advancement of methodological work
  - Area B1 SEEA Central Framework (Statistics Netherlands)
  - Area B2 SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting (Eurostat)
- Area C Development of global databases (OECD)
- Area D Capacity building (Statistics South Africa)
- Area E Statistical response to emerging issues
  - Communication (Australian Bureau of Statistics)
  - SDGs (INEGI, Mexico)



### **THANK YOU**

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