

# London group 2019-2021

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# What is the London group?

- An effective way to tap into national expertise and an innovative way to speed up development of international statistical standards
- Voluntary informal groups
- Specific issues on development of methodology and implementation

# What are our institutional arrangements?

- Term of references approved by the Statistical Commission (UNSC)
- We set out our own working agenda – but in cooperation with the committee of experts on environmental economic accounts – UNCEEA – and talk to others
- Every-one is expected to participate actively
- We report back to the UNSC via the UNCEEA

# New period 2019-2021

- Chair in place
- Bureau active and working
- Work plan in place
- 2019 meeting hosted by ABS in progress

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# Memberships (or on e-mail list at least)

- The bureau: 6 NSI, 2 policy departments, 4 international organisations
- The London group: ca 25 NSI, 4 policy departments, 13 international organisations, 10 researchers/consultants

The membership of the bureau and the London group is described in our mandate and governance

<https://seea.un.org/sites/seea.un.org/files/london-group-mandate-and-governance-structure.pdf>

# Achievements 2016-2018

- **Oslo, Norway 2016**
  - Setting up a work plan!
  - Focus capacity building and policy applications
  - Furthering the SEEA CF research agenda and the experimental ecosystem accounts.
- **San Jose, Costa Rica 2017**
  - Furthering the SEEA CF research agenda and the experimental ecosystem accounts.
  - Policy applications and links between SEEA CF/SEEA EEA.
  - Furthering the exchange of experiences domains and extensions
- **Dublin, Ireland 2018**
  - Continued work on SEEA CF research agenda and experimental ecosystem accounts.
  - Interactivity
  - Engaging with the private sector and other satellite accounts



About 45% time  
devoted to EEA the  
past two meetings

# The current objectives of the London Group are at a technical level to

- Support the further methodological development of the SEEA-CF;
- Support the promotion and implementation of SEEA-CF;
- Contribute to the further development of SEEA and the Experimental Ecosystem Accounting (SEEA-EEA);
- Provide a forum for the sharing of national and international expertise and experience.

# The scope

- **Methodological research and advancement to revisions issues**
- **Implementation advice and best practices for SEEA**
- **Development and sharing of uses, applications, and extensions of the environmental-economic accounts**



At the end of the day it will be down to NSI's to compile the accounts and so the sharing of experiences, best practices, advice on what works etc. that the LG engages in, is a vital part of this process.



# The process

LG Bureau to evaluate and set up frame for 2019

Outcome of 24th meeting

Exchanges with Technical Committee on SEEA CF

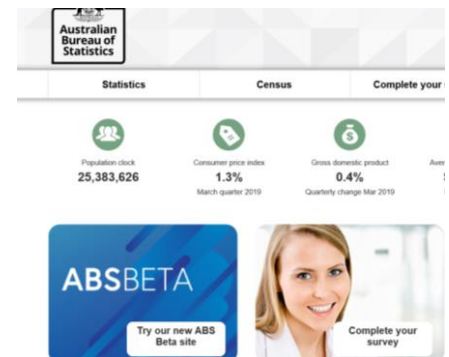
Calling for issue papers – setting the agenda for 25th meeting

Informing and receiving input from UNCEEA

Exchanges with Technical Committee on SEEA EEA

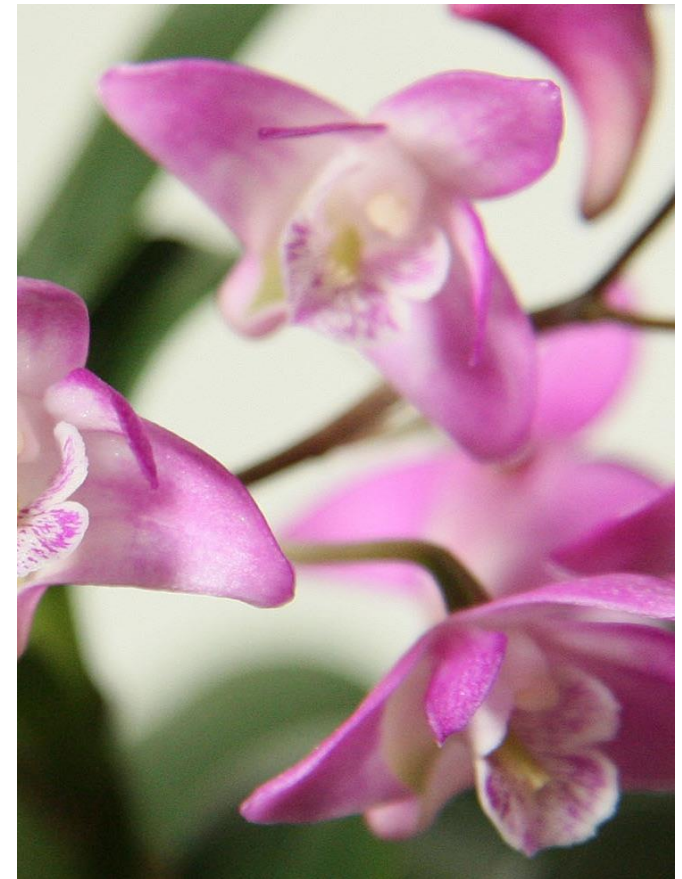
25th LG meeting

7-10 October  
in Melbourne,  
Australia!



# 25th London group meeting

- Hosted by the ABS in Melbourne, Australia
- 7-10 October
- Extra focus on the EEA revision issues
- Moving towards resolving issues of the SEEA CF research agenda in view of possible revision of the SEEA CF
- Continued efforts for increased interactivity!



# 26th London group meeting?

- Preliminary dates: 5-9 October 2020
- Venue: to be announced
- Topics: Sure bets on SEEA CF and the SEEA EEA!



**Thank you for your attention!**

