

Research agenda for the SEEA CF, 2016

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Background

- During the preparation of the SEEA CF, some important topics were identified that would benefit from further research and consideration.
- These topics are described in the Research Agenda that is part of the SEEA CF (ANNEX II).
- To move the SEEA CF research agenda forward, a revised complete list of issues has been developed by the SEEA CF technical committee,
- which also provides a deeper overview outline of those issues identified.

A: Conceptual issues

		Lead agencies
1.	Development of classifications	UNSD / EUROSTAT/ FAO
2.	Development of consistent valuation techniques	OECD, World Bank
3.	Definition of resource management and structure of the resource management expenditure accounts	Eurostat
4.	Depletion of natural biological resources	???
5.	Integrated framework for environmental activity accounts	Eurostat
6.	Losses	???

B: Implementation issues

		Lead agencies
1.	Implementation issues related to classifications	UNSD, Eurostat
2.	Approaches to the measurement of adapted goods	Eurostat
3.	Economy wide material flow accounts	OECD, ISTAT
4.	Input output techniques	OECD, Eurostat
5.	Global DSDs for data exchange for SDMX	Eurostat

Proposed process for research agenda

- SEEA-CF research agenda can be updated when needed.
- The proposed **timeline** for the topics currently identified is 2-4 years.
- **Lead agencies** have been assigned to topics, they ensure progress in the work on the issues
- The **SEEA CF Technical Committee** will oversee the resolution of both the research issues and implementation issues.
- The **London Group** will play an important role as the forum where the different issues are presented, discussed and refined.

Questions for the UNCEEA

- Does the UNCEEA agree with the proposed topics on the research agenda for SEEA Central Framework?
- What are the priority topics to be addressed?
- Are the required resources within the various institutions involved sufficiently available?
- Does the UNCEEA agree with the proposed timeline?
- How should clarifications, interpretations and changes to the SEEA Central Framework be communicated? Should the UNCEEA introduce a 'SEEA News and Notes', similar as for the SNA?

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