Subject: 6th Joint OECD/UNECE Seminar on the Implementation of SEEA

Online meetings, 9-11 March 2021

11 January 2021

Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to inform you that OECD and UNECE will organize the 6th Joint Seminar on the Implementation of the System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA) as a series of 3 online meetings from 9-11 March 2021.

Taking into account the decisions and recommendations of the 2020 seminar, and the increasing role of SEEA in important emerging policy areas, the Organising Committee proposed to focus on showcasing and discussing SEEA policy applications and “storytelling with SEEA”.

The target audience are producers and users of SEEA, including National Statistical Offices (NSOs) and other agencies of National Statistical Systems, line ministries (e.g. environment, agriculture, finance), academia and NGOs. Furthermore, the seminar also targets international organisations which support countries in their efforts to implement SEEA and/or use SEEA for regional and global policy analysis or policy making.

The seminar is being prepared by an Organizing Committee consisting of the National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus (Co-Chair), Statistics Netherlands (Co-Chair), the Australian Bureau of Statistics, Statistics Canada, Statistics Finland, the Federal Statistical Office of Germany, the Statistics Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the National Statistical Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic, Statistics Sweden, Eurostat, UNDP Kyrgyzstan, UNSD, OECD, UNECE and Tillväxtanalys (a Swedish research institute).

We would like to invite your office to participate in the seminar. The nominated representatives should register online at https://indico.un.org/event/34847 by 19 February 2021. The online format of the meeting would allow for several participants of your office to attend. Please forward this invitation to your contacts in other agencies involved in producing or using environmental-economic accounts who may be interested in participating.

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To: Heads of National Statistical Offices of CES members
   Heads of Statistical Departments of International Organizations
The attached concept note provides more detail about the contents of the seminar. English-Russian interpretation will be provided. Documents for the seminar will be available on the Seminar’s webpage (https://unece.org/statistics/events/joint-oecdunece-seminar-seea-implementation).

If your office is interested in contributing to the seminar with a presentation or to participate in a panel discussion, please contact Mr. Daniel Clarke (daniel.clarke@oecd.org) or Mr. Michael Nagy (michael.nagy@un.org) by 18 January 2021 at the latest.

We look forward to the participation of your office in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

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