

SIDE EVENT ON NATURAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTING IN SUPPORT OF LAND DEGRADATION NEUTRALITY

6:00pm – 8:00pm, 4 September 2019

**Chair: Bram Edens**, Senior Statistician, United Nations Statistics Division (25 mins)

* Welcoming remarks and overview of EU priorities for the advancement of natural capital accounting
* Overview of the SEEA-EEA and NCAVES project and linkages with work on UNCCD, in particular land degradation neutrality

**P.Bhanumati,** Deputy Director General, Social Statistics Division, Central Statistics Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India (15 mins)

* Summary of work in India to advance natural capital accounting

**Disikalala Gaseitsiwe,** Deputy Executive Secretary, Gabarone Declaration for Sustainability in Africa (15 mins)

* Priorities of GDSA for natural capital accounting and progress within member countries and country experience of Botswana

**William Speller,** Programme Officer, United Nations Environment Programme (10 mins)

* Development of tools for use of the accounts policy scenario analysis

***Interactive discussion*** (45 mins)

