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**Eighteenth Meeting of the UN Committee of Experts on
Environmental-Economic Accounting
Virtual, 25-26 June 2024, 7:30-11:00 EDT**

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The meeting will take place virtually on 25-26 June 2024, from 7:30 to 11:00 EDT. A background note for each area of work will be made available in advance of the meeting. The notes will provide a short summary of the each working group's achievements during the past year, any updates to the working group's programme of work for the next 12-18 months and key questions for discussion. All participants are asked to read the background notes in advance of the meeting and actively participate in the discussion. This will ensure that the sessions make use of the limited time through focused discussions. Given that only select topics will be discussed, additional materials for information will be provided on the website.

Tuesday, 25 June 2024

7:30 – 7:40: Opening remarks and objectives of the meeting

7:40 – 8:40: Review of the mandate of the UNCEEA (UNCEEA Chair)

This session will review the mandate of the UNCEEA with a view to assess if changes are needed to reflect the current activities and priorities of the UNCEEA. The Bureau initiated this review and will propose adjustments to the mandate of the UNCEEA for discussion.

8:40 – 9:55: Area B1 – SEEA Central Framework (Area lead: Statistics Netherlands)

The session will discuss the update of the SEEA Central Framework, focusing on the project management framework and the global consultation on the list of issues. The session will also provide a summary of the state of play of relevant revisions processes such as the revision of COFOG and GFS and the work of the OECD Expert Group on Natural Capital.

9:55 – 10:05: Break

10:05 – 11:00: Area A – Coordination and Communication (Area lead: Australian Bureau of Statistics)

This session will review the work on the landscape assessment and the series of policy-oriented webinars that the working group is coordinating.

Wednesday, 26 June 2024

7:30 – 7:50: Review of previous day’s conclusions

7:50 – 8:40: Area C – Development of Global Databases for SEEA (Area lead: OECD)

This session will review the progress made in the compilation of global databases for air emissions, material flow, water, land and energy accounts.

8:40 – 9:40: Area B2 – SEEA Ecosystem Accounting (Area lead: South Africa)

This session will review the progress made towards the implementation of the SEEA Ecosystem Accounting, its work on practical guidance notes for countries and the work on forest ecosystems and oceans accounts. The session will also provide an overview of the work on the metadata for the SEEA-related indicators of the monitoring framework of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

9:40 – 9:45: Break

9:45 – 10:30: Area D – Implementation and Statistical Capacity Building (Area leads: ESCAP and Kenya National Bureau of Statistics)

This session will focus on the working group’s efforts to revitalize the SEEA Focal Points Network as well as plans for this year’s Global Assessment on Environmental-Economic Accounting and Supporting Statistics.

10:30 – 10:50: Data Gaps Initiative III and the SEEA (IMF)

This session will provide a progress update on the Data Gaps Initiative III (DGI-3), in particular, with respect to the recommendations related to the DGI-3 climate change data gaps and the links with the SEEA.

10:50 – 11:00: Closing remarks