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Area D Membership

Co-leads:

- Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)
- Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP)

Members:

- [Asian Development Bank \(ADB—new member\)](#)
- Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
- Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- Economic and Social Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
- [Global Oceans Accounting Partnership \(GOAP-new member\)](#)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- [International Union for Conservation of Nature \(IUCN-new member\)](#)
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- [United Nations Environment Programme \(UNEP-new member\)](#)
- [Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity \(CBD-new member\)](#)
- United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD)
- [UN Tourism \(new member\)](#)
- World Bank

Outline

- Achievements for 2024/25
- Proposed work programme 2025/26
- Questions to the committee

Implementing the 2024/2025 activities

- Coordination of capacity building and implementation activities
 - > Quarterly meetings of the group to share information on capacity building and other implementation related activities
- Revitalization of the SEEA Focal Point Network
 - > Webinar on SEEA CF update process held in April
 - > Focal point engagement in regional in-person training
- Oversight of the Global Assessment of Environmental-Economic Accounting and Supporting Statistics 2024 was a lite assessment
 - > Additional questions were added based on requests from the 19th UNCEEAA meeting
 - > Background report for the UNSC

Proposed work programme for 2024-25

- Area 1 : Coordination of capacity building and implementation activities and composition
 - > Area D will continue to hold regular meetings in 2025-26 to ensure coordination of capacity building and implementation activities at the regional and global levels.
 - > Evolving policy landscape and resource constraints will need to be considered
- Area 2: Activities for the SEEA Focal Point network
 - > Webinars and in-person meetings
 - > Limited scope due to resource constraints

Proposed work programme for 2024-25 (cont.)

- Area 3: Global Assessment of Environmental-Economic Accounting and Supporting Statistics
 - > As agreed by the Committee during its 16th meeting, in 2021, the Global Assessment is carried out every year as either a benchmark assessment (detailed, every 3 years) or an abbreviated assessment (Years between benchmark assessments). IN 2025 there will be an abbreviated assessment.
 - > It will be administered to all UN Member States in September 2025.
 - > Responses will be validated and analysed by UNSD and a background report prepared for the UN Statistical Commission's session in March 2026.
 - > Area D members will assist the benchmark Global Assessment by reviewing the questionnaire; following-up with countries in their regions; and reviewing the final report for the Statistical Commission (by end January 2026).

Questions to the Committee

- 1) Comment on the priorities for the workplan of Area D for 2025-26 as outlined above in section 2 of the paper and focused on three areas:
 - (1) Coordination of capacity building and implementation activities;
 - (2) Activities for the SEEA Focal Point network; and
 - (3) Organization of the 2025 Global Assessment.
- 2) Provide advice if there are potential new priority areas for Area D to consider.