



Economic Commission for Africa
Statistical Commission for Africa
 Seventh meeting
 Addis Ababa (online), 13–15 October 2020

Draft programme of work

Day 1	Tuesday, 13 October 2020	
Time (Addis Ababa)	Activity	Presenter
12.30–1.00 p.m.	Connection	
1.00–1.30 p.m.	Opening ceremony	
	Welcoming remarks by the moderator	Oliver Chinganya (Director, African Centre for Statistics) (5 minutes)
	Opening statements	Stefan Schweinfest (Director United Nations Statistics Division) (5 minutes)
	Opening statement by the Chairperson of the Statistical Commission for Africa	Albina Andrew Chuwa (Statistician-General, National Bureau of Statistics, United Republic of Tanzania) (5 minutes)
	Official opening: Vera Songwe (Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)) H.E. Sahle-Work Zewde, President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia	(20 minutes)
Session I: Statutory issues		
1.35–2.35 p.m.	Statistical capacity development in Africa	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	Regional report on the Sustainable Development Goal indicators	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	2020 round of population and housing censuses	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	Civil registration, vital statistics and the United Nations Legal Identity Agenda	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)

	Implementation of the African Gender Statistics Programme 2017–2021	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	2008 System of National Accounts	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management: report on regional activities in Africa	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	ECA statistical programme for the period 2021–2022	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	Discussion and recommendations	(20 minutes)
Session II: Statistical activities in context of the COVID-19 pandemic: the experiences of member States		
2.35–3.40 p.m.	Health statistics	World Health Organization (7 minutes)
	Population and housing census programme	Ghana (7 minutes)
	Ongoing household surveys	Zambia (7 minutes)
	Data collection for the Consumer Price Index	South Africa (7 minutes)
	Civil registration and vital statistics	Namibia (7 minutes)
	Discussion and recommendations	(30 minutes)

Day 2		Wednesday, 14 October 2020	
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Session III: Strategies to strengthen the data ecosystem in the context of United Nations reforms: African perspectives			
1.00–2.00 p.m.	Statistical coordination among United Nations agencies	Opportunity/issue-based coalitions (10 minutes)	
	Private-sector experience with big data	To be determined (10 minutes)	
	United Nations global platform and regional hub on big data for official statistics	United Nations Statistics Division and Rwanda (10 minutes)	
	Discussion and recommendations	(30 minutes)	
Session IV: Initiatives on emerging issues			
2.00–3.20 p.m.	Open data	Tunisia (10 minutes)	
	Data science	National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (10 minutes)	
	Urban data	ECA/Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division (10 minutes)	

	Response to the COVID-19 pandemic	African Development Bank (10 minutes)
	Discussion and recommendations	(40 minutes)
Day 3	Thursday, 15 October 2020	
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Session V: Statistical capacity-building programmes of ECA partners		
1.00–2.10 p.m.	African Union Commission	(5 minutes)
	African Development Bank	(5 minutes)
	United Nations Statistics Division	(5 minutes)
	Other international partners	Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (5 minutes)
	Other regional commissions of the United Nations	(5 minutes)
	Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data	(5 minutes)
	Partnership coordination and cost-effectiveness	African Centre for Statistics (5 minutes)
	Country experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic	Sierra Leone (5 minutes)
	Discussion and recommendations	(30 minutes)
Session VI: Consideration of recommendations and conclusions		
2.10–3.10 p.m.	Main conclusions and recommendations	Bureau of the Statistical Commission for Africa (50 minutes)
	Closing remarks	ECA (5 minutes)
		Chairperson of the Statistical Commission for Africa (5 minutes)