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Twenty-first meeting of the Executive Committee of the
Statistical Conference of the Americas of the
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

Santiago, 24–25 August 2022

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

A. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

The Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) is a subsidiary body of the Commission, established pursuant to resolution 2000/7 of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, which defined as follows the objectives of the Conference: to promote the development and improvement of national statistics and work to ensure that they are comparable internationally, bearing in mind the recommendations of the United Nations Statistical Commission, the specialized agencies and other relevant organizations; to promote international, regional and bilateral cooperation among national offices and international and regional agencies; and to draw up a biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities to meet the demands of the countries of the region, subject to the availability of resources.

The 2022–2023 biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean is framed within the Strategic Plan 2015–2025, which established as the pillars of action of the Conference the achievement of more robust institutions and a stronger governing role for national statistical offices; the development of human resources and statistical production in order to ensure quality; and regional and international coordination and cooperation for the development of official statistics in the region.

At its twenty-first meeting, the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean will review progress in the implementation of the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC. It will also discuss recent experiences in population censuses in the countries of the region and will analyse the outlook in countries that are about to conduct them.

In addition, a side event on measuring development “beyond GDP” will address the prospects for improving the measurement of GDP as part of the 2025 update of the System of National Accounts as well as possible complementary indicators for measuring the well-being of people and the planet.

Chair

In accordance with resolution 2000/7 of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, Argentina, in its capacity as Chair of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC, will preside over the Committee’s twenty-first meeting.

B. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Recent progress in the implementation of population and housing censuses.
3. Review of progress in the implementation of the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.
4. Regional follow-up to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
5. Other matters.
6. Consideration and adoption of agreements.

C. ANNOTATIONS TO THE AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Committee will have before it the provisional agenda for adoption or amendment.¹

2. Recent progress in the implementation of population and housing censuses

Much of the region is in the midst of conducting population and housing censuses. Ten countries in Latin America and the Caribbean are expected to complete this statistical operation in 2022. The usual challenges of implementing censuses, such as the burdensome organizational demands on national statistical offices and the deployment of substantial human and financial resources, have been compounded amid the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, which in many cases has forced the postponement or redesign of census processes. Under this agenda item, countries that have recently carried out their censuses, along with those countries soon to undertake this important statistical operation, will present their experiences, so that good practices can be identified with a view to ensuring the successful implementation of the next round of censuses.

3. Review of progress in the implementation of the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

Under this agenda item, participants will review the overall progress of the working groups of the Conference, in line with the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, adopted at the eleventh meeting of the Statistical Conference of the Americas. Presentations will also be made on progress in the new Knowledge Transfer Network communities pilot website and the activities undertaken by the Statistical Coordination Group for the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean. In addition, the documents from the biennium 2020–2021 for consideration by the Statistical Conference of the Americas at its eleventh meeting and which were left pending will be submitted for consideration by the Executive Committee.

Working document:

- First report on the implementation of the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/CE.21/3)
- Institutional and methodological recommendations for the measurement of disaster-related Sustainable Development Goal indicators and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (LC/CEA.11/20)

Reference documents:

- Strategic Plan, 2015–2025 (LC/L.4070(CEA.8/4))
- Proposal for the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022–2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/CEA.11/11)

¹ LC/CE.21/1.

- Priority initiatives, methodological resources and dissemination platforms in Latin America and the Caribbean relating to international migration (LC/CE.21/DDR/1)
- Assessment of national capacity for the production of data on international migration. Regional report by the member countries of the working group on migration (LC/CE.21/DDR/2/Rev.1)
- Methodology for building an international migration statistics register (LC/CE.21/DDR/3)
- Methodological recommendations for the inclusion of information on the international migrant population in the calibration of expansion factors in household surveys: case study of the National Employment Survey in Chile (LC/CE.21/DDR/4)

4. Regional follow-up to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Under this agenda item, the main outcomes at the global level of the workplan of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators and the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be presented. Participants will also review progress made by the Statistical Coordination Group for the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Statistical Conference of the Americas with regard to the online information system on national statistical capacities for the production of national SDG indicators and the updating of the online database on statistical cooperation and technical assistance activities of the United Nations system in the region, which was rolled out in conjunction with the statistics and data group of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean.

Working document:

- Report on the activities of the Statistical Coordination Group for the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/CE.21/4)

5. Other matters

Under this agenda item, representatives will have the opportunity to discuss any matters of importance for the region not addressed under the preceding items. In addition, a regional report on gender information systems, prepared jointly by the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, will be presented.

Working document:

- Annotated index of the document “Breaking the statistical silence to achieve gender equality by 2030” (LC/MDM-E.2022/3)

6. Consideration and adoption of agreements

Under this agenda item, the Executive Committee will consider and adopt the agreements it deems appropriate.