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International / Regional organisation											
UNSC - United Nations Statistical Commission	UNSC	The highest decision making body for international statistical activities especially the setting of statistical standards, the development of concepts and methods and their implementation at the national and international level.	UN Economic and Social Council	Annual (end Febr)	1947						See UNSC web site
CCSA - Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities	CCSA	To promote coordination, integration and complementarity among the statistical programmes, to foster good practices in the structuring and programming of statistical activities in the international organizations. Quality frameworks see 5.3	UNSC	2 /year (Febr, Sept)	2002						CIS-STAT
SC - Paris21 (Partnership in statistics for development in the 21st century)	Web site	Develop a culture of evidence-based policy making and implementation which serves to improve governance and government effectiveness in reducing poverty and achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Secretariat in the (OECD/DCD) - Paris.		Annual	1999						Consortium membership is worldwide. Members are from governments, international organisations, professional bodies, and academic institutions.
CES (Conference of European Statisticians) Bureau	UNECE web site	The steering body of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES). Generally meets twice per year, in February and October.		2 /year (Febr, Oct)							CIS-STAT, WB, FI (Chair), AU, BR, IE, LV, RU, US
CES (Conference of European Statisticians) Plenary	UNECE web site	CES coordinates international statistical activities in the UNECE region. It provides a good platform for coordination of statistical work, its members are national and international statistical organizations representing the UNECE and OECD member countries, plus some countries from outside the region, and all major international organisations active in statistics.		Annual (June), altern. Geneva and Paris		UNCT AD, UNES CO					CIS-STAT, WB, ILO, WHO + NSO
Project WG on Statistics in the Framework of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA)		Coordination between UN driven statistical activities and EC projects in Central Asia		Annual (June)							
OECD CSTAT Bureau	OECD Statistics portal			2 /year (Febr, Oct)							AUS, CA, US, FI, UK, NL, KO, FR, Tr, WB. Organisations are observers.
OECD CSTAT Meeting	OECD Statistics portal			Annual (June)							
OECD World Forum / Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies	OECD web site	The Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies exists to foster the development of sets of key economic, social and environmental indicators to provide a comprehensive picture of how the well-being of a society is evolving.		2004, 2007, 2009							

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OECD EG on measuring the progress of societies			Presented in a paper on the OECD's Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies (CSTAT June 2007). To bring together people interested in development and promoting the use of indicators of progress. Discussions focus on development frameworks for progress indicators, new tools for disseminating indicators to the public and policy makers, and the latest developments on indicators that seek to encapsulate progress in some of the new and emerging domains of socio-economic concerns.				OECD, CES Bureau		2007						
Specialist groups / Subject areas															
1. Demographic and social statistics															
1.1 Population and migration															
SG on Migration Statistics		Work plan	To coordinate the work of the CES TFs, provide advice, plan future UNECE meetings and workshop. Set up to improve the quality of data on international migration.				CES Bureau	Every 18 months	2005						US Census Bureau (Chair), OSCE, WB, FR, IT, ES, UK, CA, CH, AU
TF on the Analysis of International Migration Estimates Using Different Lengths of Stay Definitions			Creation endorsed, ToR approved by the CES Bureau meeting Oct 2008. Guidelines on the use and dissemination of data on international immigration to facilitate their use to improve emigration data of sending countries.				CES Bureau		2008						
TF on improving migration and migrant data using household surveys and other sources ("Suitland Working Group")		ToR	ToR decision on CES Bureau meeting Oct 2009.				CES Bureau		2009						
UN EG on the Use of Censuses and Surveys to Measure International Migration			To provide guidelines for the implementation of recommendations on statistics of international migration.				UNSD								
TF on Measuring Emigration		ToR	- to design a set of tables to carry out pilot projects on the stock and flows of migrants by country of origin in host; - to coordinate the pilot projects, -to prepare a paper on the feasibility of estimating relevant stock and flows of emigrants based on available data on immigrants in host countries; -to prepare a framework for estimating emigrants				UNECE		2005						Many. CA (chair)
UN EG on the 2010 World Programme on Population and Housing Censuses			The final products of the Expert Group meetings are 'technical recommendations' on censuses.				UNSD	Ad-hoc. Next: 2008							
SG on social indicators			The group, which interacts only through EMS, has discussed the outline of a secretariat report on time-use (June 2007) as well as the list of indicators for "Society at a Glance" + a "narrow" set of social indicators to be included in SaG (Jan 2008)				OECD/CSTAT								17 countries (AU, BE, CA, FR, KO, IE, JP, MX, NZ, NO, PL, PT, SE, CS)
1.2 Labour															

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Paris Group on working time measurement => Paris Group on Labour and Compensation	Reference	To examine, access and reconcile the various sources of information used to measure labour market conditions and compensation, particularly in the context of the deregulation of labour markets and structural unemployment, and to contribute improving concepts and their implementation as well as construction of new indicators. Related to WGGNA.	UNSC	Every 2 year	1997						ILO, Labour statisticians belonging to 23 NSO and 3 international organisations. Secretariat: INSEE, OECD, ONS.
TF on the measurement of quality of employment (quality of work)	CES Bureau June 2007	Mainly work using e-mail connections. - To refine and update the list of indicators developed by the TF on labour statistics; - To develop criteria for testing and to test the indicators	ILO 18th conf 2008		2007						European Found. for the Impr. of Living and Working Cond., Women in Informal Empl: Globalizing and Organizing (WIGO), ILO, CA (chair), FR, FI, DE, HU, IS, IT, NL, PL.
Meeting of Experts on the Measurement of Decent Work	ILO web site	In its March 2008 session, the Governing Body approved a Tripartite Meeting of Experts to provide further detailed advice on the viability of the options, and to provide guidance on the various possible ways of measuring the dimensions of decent work in order to prepare comprehensive recommendations for consideration by the Governing Body.	UNECE		2008						ILO
1.3 Education											
UN TF on education statistics		To report to the statistical conference on further improvements of international statistics	UNSC	about 3 times	2007	UNESCO					
OECD INES Groups (National Coordinators Group, Technical Group, Networks A, B and C)	Web site	The INES Project develops a system of indicators for cross-national comparisons in education. Specifically it develops, collects, analyses and interprets a set of key indicators for international comparisons disseminated through its annual publications; provides a forum for international cooperation and exchange of information about methods and practices of developing and using educational indicators for national policymaking and managing education systems; and contributes to assessment methodology and practice to develop more valid, reliable, and comprehensive indicators, and to gain a better understanding of their use in policymaking.	OECD Statistics Directorate	2 TG meetings per year, one or two of the other groups							Network B: CEDEFOP, DG Education and Culture; many NSOs, many Ministries of Education
1.4 Health											
IWG on Health Statistics (IWGHS)		Develop a coordinated agenda for the production of health statistics and to bridge the gap (in health statistics) that exists between UN agencies and the statistical system as repr by national statistical authorities. Secretariat: WHO.	UNSC	Annual	2004						Paris21, UNAIDS, WB... Many - for EU: FI, IT and NO. Chair: UNSD.
SG on Measuring Health Status	Revised ToR	Oversee the work of the TF, plan future meetings of UNECE and WHO, liaise with Eurostat group on HIS, Washington group and IWG on health statistics. ToR proposed to be extended until Oct 2013 (revised ToR CES Bureau meeting Oct 2009).	CES Bureau	2 per year	2004						WHO, CA, US (chair), AU

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TF on Measuring Health Status (Budapest initiative)	Revised ToR	Prepares a common measuring instrument on health status. Work proposed to be extended until end of 2010.	SG on Measuring Health Status	2-3 per year	2004						WHO, CA, US, BE, UK, IT, ES, DE, HU, NL, NO, ES
IHAT: International Health Accounts Team		Technical committee to steer the process on the revision of the Manual on System of Health Accounts (SHA) - secretariat: OECD		3-4 per year	2006						WHO
Washington Group (City group) on Disability measurement	Web site	Address selected problems in statistical methods used to measure 'disability'.	UNSC	Annual	2001						ILO (more and more), WB, WHO... Many NSO
1.5 Income and consumption											
TF to update the Canberra group handbook	ToR	ToR approved by CES Bureau Febr 2009. To develop guidelines for the practical implementation of the Canberra group handbook on household income and a wider initiative to work towards an integrated framework of income, expenditures and wealth.	CES Bureau		2009						AT, AU, CA, FI, US, CIS-Stat
1.6 Social protection											
1.7 Human settlements and housing											
1.8 Justice and crime											
UNECE meeting on crime statistics			CES Bureau								Some European countries, US, CA, AU
(included in above) CES TF on Victimization Surveys			CES Bureau								
TF on Crime classification		The work to be completed by the end of 2010.	CES Bureau		2009						Subject to confirmation: CA, EE, FI, IT, LV, NL, UK, US
1.9 Culture											
1.10 Political and other community activities											
1.11 Time use											
2. Economic statistics											
2.1 Macroeconomic statistics											

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International Comparison Programme (ICP) EB		Status report on the start of the 2011 round to be submitted to UNSC 2010.	UNSC								ECB
Friends of the Chair group (FROCH) on the future of the ICP			UNSC								8-9 countries, chair: NO. WB
2.2 Economic accounts											
EG on the Measurement of Non-Financial Assets (Canberra II)	Web site UNSD	To undertake work on research agenda established by the original Expert Group on Capital Stock Statistics (Canberra I) and to research into issues associated with the measurement of non-financial assets as part of the process of updating SNA 1993	UNSC	1 or 2 per year	2003						Members: 14 countries, 6 int org and 6 individ. expert advisers. Chair: AU. Any country that is interested in the Group's activities invited to attend the meeting or participate in the Group's electronic discussions.
Delhi group on Informal Sector Statistics	Web site	An international forum to exchange experience in the measurement of the informal sector, informal employment concept, document the data-collection practices, including definitions and survey methodologies followed by member countries, and recommend measures for improving the quality and comparability of informal sector statistics.		Annual	1997						Experts from 24 NSO, 5 int org and 8 other academic institutions. Chair: IN.
Advisory EG on National Accounts (AEG)		The AEG assists the ISWGNA in the SNA update. The AEG considers the proposals for change of the 1993 SNA and expresses views.									WB + 20 countries from all regions of the world.
Intersecretariat WG on National Accounts (ISWGNA)	Web site	Coordinate the implementation and methodological development of the System of National Accounts 1993 (1993 SNA). Related to WGGNA.	UNSC	Annual	1983						WB. Chair rotates annually.
Friends of the chair - Integrated Economic Statistics (IES)	Report UNSC 2008	To develop a concept paper with recommendations on the modalities of an integrated approach to economic statistics.	UNSC (2008)	Annual							ECB, AU, CA, CH, IN, MX, NL, PK, ZA, US
OECD WP on National Accounts	Reference		OECD								Several, ECB, WB
OECD-Eurostat TF on emission permits in the National Accounts		To investigate the nature of all relevant aspects of emission permits granted under an ETS and any similar types of emission permits. To develop comprehensive guidelines for recording the associated flows and stocks of emission permits in national accounts etc. Recommendations end of 2009.	ISWGNA		2009						ECB, aprox 15 EU and OECD member countries
Inter-Agency Group on Economic and Financial Statistics	Website	Created by IMF. Principal Global Indicators (PGI) website launched 2009 presenting data for the Group of 20 (G-20) to facilitate the monitoring of economic and financial developments for these systemically important economies. Launched in response to the financial and economic crisis.	IMF		2008						BIS, ECB, WB
2.3 Business statistics											

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Voorburg Group on Service statistics (City group)	Web site / Papers	To address issues related to the production of services statistics, including service product outputs and inputs, the estimation of the real product of service activities, price indices of service products and industries, and their implications for classifications CPS and ISIC.		Annual	1986						32 countries and 6 international organisations incl ECB, WTO.
UN Industrial Statistics <i>EG</i>		Provide inputs in the review programme on industrial statistics and contribute to the revision of standards. Related to WGGNA.	UNSC		2005						Experts from 13 developed and developing countries, ECB
UN Distributive Trade Statistics <i>EG</i> (EG_DTS)	Recommendations	Organised by the UNSD. To assist in the revision of the existing UN recommendations on distributive trade statistics published in International Recommendations on Statistics of the Distributive Trades and Services and in updating the UNSD compilation advice contained in Organization and Conduct of Distributive Trade Surveys. Related to WGGNA.	UNSC								Experts from 20 developed and developing countries.
OECD Structural Business Statistics <i>EG</i>	Reference	Meetings currently suspended. Related to WGGNA.		Annual							AU, CA, DE, FI, FR, DE, HU, IT, KR, NL, SE, UK, US. WB. EC DG ENTR.
OECD Entrepreneurship Indicators <i>SG</i>	Web site	To guide development of the OECD-Eurostat Entrepreneurship Indicators Programme including definitions. An Entrepreneurship Indicators manual produced in 2008.	OECD	2 per year	2006						
<i>TF</i> to address pending issues in the field of business statistics => <i>TF</i> on Business Statistics	Doc ECE/CES/BUR/2008/13	The Task Force will provide a forum to encourage and coordinate the work undertaken by countries and international organizations in the area of business statistics. It will begin by preparing a work plan and will also organize a one-day CES seminar in June 2009. A leadership sub-group composed of members from Eurostat, Statistics Canada, UNECE, OECD and 3 or 4 others [to be determined] will steer the work of the Task Force. Work to be presented to CES plenary 2011.	CES Bureau, CES Plenary		2008						
2.4 Sectoral statistics											
2.4.1 Agriculture, forestry, fisheries											
FAO Statistics advisory committee of experts		Methodology		Every 2 year; last in 2005		FAO					IT, HU, TR + del fr US, MEX, JP, IN, PH, KE
Intersecretariat <i>WG</i> on Forest Sector Statistics		Maintains the worldwide Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire		Annual, last in Oct 07	1990	FAO					ITTO: International Tropical Timber Organisation
FAO/ECE <i>WP</i> on Forest Economics and Statistics	Web site	FAO and UNECE work together to promote sustainable forest management in Europe, Central Asia and North America; one of the work areas is markets and statistics.		Annual		FAO					UNECE Member states

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Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe (MCPFE)	Web site	Currently the major policy institution at the pan-European level, is focused on policy implications at the national level on the basis of non-legally binding resolutions.		Experts meet freq, ministers every 3-5 years.	1990						
FIRMS (Fisheries Resources Monitoring System of FAO) WG	Web site	Annual report; Partnership agreement ESTAT-FAO 2003 on exchange of data for a global FAO database.		Annual (March-April)	2003	FAO					Major Regional Fishery Organisations
CWP (Co-ordinating WP on Fishery)	Web site	Annual report		Annual (March-April)		FAO					Major Regional Fishery Organisations
Friends of the Chair group on Agriculture		Decision on creation taken on UNSC 2009	UNSC		2009						Chair: Brazil. Representation of countries from all world regions
Wye Group on Statistics on Rural development and Agriculture household income (City Group)		To promote the refinement and adoption of international standards in statistics for rural areas and agriculture household incomes.		Annual	2007	FAO					UK, US, IT, CA, NL, PL, World Bank.
2.4.2 Energy											
Oslo Group (City group) on Energy statistics	Oslo Group web site	To address methodological issues related to energy statistics and contribute to improved international standards and improved methods for official energy statistics by pooling expertise in the energy community. Discussion Forum on web site.	UNSC	Annual	2005						Energy statistics experts from NSO, energy ministries and other authorities, international organisations, academia. UNCEEA oversees the group.
Joint Oil Data Initiative (JODI) Intersecretariat Group	Web site	Collection of short term oil data. Coordination of meetings are rotating.		A few times a year	2001						JODI - APEC, IEA, IEFS, OLADE, OPEC
Intersecretariat WG on Energy statistics (also referred to as InterEnerStat)	UNSC doc	To enhance coordination of international energy statistics and collaboration of international organisations with a view to improving the availability and quality of international energy statistics without increasing the response burden on countries and by making best use of resources.	UNSC	Every 2 years (Paris)	2005						CA, CN, DK, NO, ZA, US, YE. IAEA, IEA and other org.
Energy Statistics WG of the International Energy Agency (IEA)	Web site	Review of the joint ESTAT/IEA/UNECE annual questionnaires on energy.		Every 5 years							IEA
2.4.3 Mining, manufacturing, construction											
2.4.4 Transport											

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Inter-secretariat WG		To manage the Common Questionnaire on transport statistics and the Glossary on the same subject.		3 per year							ITF; In practice only 3 participants.
UNECE WP on Inland Transport statistics	UNECE web site	To be involved in the development and updates of the statistical nomenclature of goods in transport.		Annual							ITF and associated task forces/workshops, EEA and UIC
2.4.5 Tourism											
Interagency CG on Tourism Statistics		Update of international recommendations. In force?	UNSC		2004						
Technical Sub-Group of the Inter-Agency CG on Tourism statistics		Update of international recommendations. In force?	UNSC			UNWTO					
UNWTO Committee on Statistics and Macroeconomic Analysis of Tourism		Update of international recommendations on important work at international level				UNWTO					
2.4.6 Banking, insurance, financial statistics											
2.5 Government finance, fiscal and public sector statistics											
International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS)		Aim is to set international standards.		3 times/year							DG BUDG, Court of Auditors, international private sector (accounting standard sector)
2.6 International trade and balance of payments											
Inter-Agency TF on Statistics of International Trade in Services	UNSD web site	Improvement of statistics on international trade in services focusing on the statistical requirements of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS), Balance of Payments statistics, National Accounts and Foreign Affiliates Statistics (FATS). The Revision of the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services (MSITS) - to be completed by 2009 - Secretariat held by OECD. Related to WGGNA.		2 per year	1994						UNCTAD, UNWTO, DE, IT, PH, JP, US
Luxembourg Group on Remittances	IMF web site	Improvement of data on remittances, drafting of a compilation guide. Secretariat held by IMF. Related to WGGNA.			2006						World Bank, CEMLA, PH, ES, NO, MX, PT, JP, US, UK, IT, MD, AL, LB, IN, DE
OECD WG on Trade in Goods and Trade in Services Statistics		Develop statistics on trade in goods and services in particular on cross-cutting and related issues regarding goods and services e.g. trade and globalisation. Recognizing the importance of this topic, from 2008 on, this WG will evolve into an OECD Working Party reporting directly to the OECD Committee on Statistics.		2007							UNCTAD, WTO
OECD-Eurostat Meeting of Experts in Trade-in-Services		Trade in services statistics - Secretariat held by OECD		Annual							WTO, all OECD member states

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IMF Balance of Payments Committee		Oversees the implementation of the recommendations presented in reports on statistical imbalances across countries; advises on methodological and compilation issues in the context of balance of payments and international investment position statistics, investigates ways in which data collection can be better coordinated among countries, with a view, inter alia, to facilitating the exchange of statistics among countries; identifies related areas for study and determines how work in those areas should be carried forward; and collaborates with other national compilers and with appropriate international organizations. Related to WGGNA.	IMF		1992						NSOs, BIS
OECD WG on International Investment statistics (WIIS)		Foreign Direct Investment statistics incl globalisation indicators for international investment. This group is also responsible for setting international methodological standards for FDI: Benchmark definition of FDI.	OECD	2 per year							OECD Member States and observer countries, AU Chair, OECD secretariat
OECD WG Globalisation		Globalisation statistics	OECD	2 per year							OECD Member States and observer countries. IMF participates resources permitting.
ECB WG on external statistics		External statistics, balance of payments.		4 times per year							IMF participates resources permitting. EU Member states.
TF on International Merchandise Trade Statistics	Web site	The objectives are to improve the availability and quality of international merchandise trade statistics, in particular of the UN Comtrade database, and to update methodology of international merchandise statistics in view of new developments in world trade and country compilation practices. Related to WGGNA.		Annual or 2 per year	1991						FAO, ITC, UNCTAD, UNIDO, WTO + UN regional comm.
OECD International Trade Statistics EG				Annual							
OECD WP on Financial Statistics (WPFS)	OECD web site	Develop methodology and data for financial accounts, institutional investors and bank profitability		Annual	1967						ECB, BIS, EIB, WB, WTO
OECD SG on linking Trade Statistics with Business statistics		The objective is to provide guidelines on how to compile harmonised indicators on trade by business characteristics.	(OECD chair)		2006						Non-EU countries that belong to the OECD.
IMF TF on Co-ordinated Direct Investment Survey											
Benchmark A dvisory G roup (BAG)		A drafting group for the FDI manual. Reports on OECD WIIS Workshop on International Investment statistics.	OECD WIIS Workshop								

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Inter-Agency TF on Finance Statistics (TFFS)	TFFS web site	Reconvened in 1998 to co-ordinate work among the participating agencies to improve the quality, transparency, timeliness and availability of data on external debt and international reserve assets.	UNSC		1992	UNCT AD				chair	BIS, WB, ECB.
2.7 Prices											
OC for the joint UNECE/ILO meeting on Consumer Price Indices (CPI)	ToR	Replaces the previous steering group on CPIs, is placed under the auspices of the IWGPS. ToR approved in October 2007; its purpose will be limited to the organisation of the forthcoming Joint UNECE/ILO meeting on CPIs.	IWGPS	Annual	2007						ILO, Incoming Chair & Vice-Chair of the joint CPI meeting, experts from three NSIs from diff. regions of UNECE
Inter-Secretariat WG on Price statistics (IWGPS)	ILO web site	Develop and document best practice guidelines on concepts and methods of price statistics. Update of 1993 SNA. UNECE took over the chair March 2007. Related to WGGNA.	UNECE/CE S	Annual	1999						ILO, WB
Joint UNECE/ILO meeting on CPIs		Biennial meetings, alternating with Ottawa Group		Biennial							UN-ECE/ILO member countries, All intern. and reg. org
Ottawa Group on Price Indexes	Ottawa group web site	To provide a forum for specialists to share their experiences and discuss research on crucial problems of measuring price change. Biennial meetings alternates with Joint UNECE/ILO meeting		Biennial	1994						Experts from more than 26 countries and 5 int org.
International Conference of Labour Statisticians		Under auspices of the ILO, mostly back-to-back to Joint UNECE/ILO meeting on CPIs.		Every 5 years							ILO member countries, all international and regional organisations.
International Comparison Programme on Purchasing Power Parities - EB	WB ICP Web site										WB
2.8 Labour cost											
2.9 Science and technology											
NESTI - National experts on Science Technology and innovation (OECD)		Forum for the follow-up of the indicators.		Annual	1957	UNES CO		STIE AS			NSOs from OECD Member States, RICYT, visiting countries
WP on Industry Analysis (WPIA)											
3. Environment and multi-domain statistics											
3.1 Environment											

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London Group on Environmental Accounting	Web site	To play a leadership role in defining international best practices in the theory and practice of environmental accounting within the framework of the System of National Accounts; to provide a forum for the sharing of national and international expertise in this field, and to encourage the adoption of best practices in the field.		Annual (during 2007= twice)	1993						Repr from more than 20 NSO, 4 international organisations. IMF participates subject to resources.
Intersecretariat WG on Environment Statistics (IWG-ENV)	UNSD web site	To firmly anchor environment statistics as a part of official statistics by enhancing, coordinating and harmonizing - the development of methodological practices, - data collection and dissemination - training and capacity building programme; thus improving and strengthening basic environment data both at the national and international levels. 2006 decision to develop a joint glossary of environment statistics terms used in data collection. This work expected to conclude 2008 - publication of the new joint glossary on the web. ToR to be reconsidered 2008/09.	UNSC		2003, ToR 2004						UNEP, FAO + regional UN bodies depending on the question
UN Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting (UNCEEAA)		Oversee the work of London and Oslo group. Strategic technical body whose objectives are: a) to mainstream environmental-economic accounting and related statistics b) to elevate the System of integrated Environmental-Economic Accounting to an international statistical standard; and c) to advance the implementation of the SEEA at the country level. Coordinate the further development of the accounting framework, ensure its successful implementation and promote environmental accounting among users. Decision on broadened mandate 2009.	UNSC		2005						25 countries and international organisations. IMF participates subject to resources.
AG on Environment Statistics and Environmental-Economic Accounting		Bureau of UNCEEAA			2008						
Expert Group on the Framework for the Development of Environment Statistics	Full doc	Discuss the role of a framework in the development of environment statistics, assess the lessons learned when applying different frameworks, review new approaches incl the ecosystem approach, review the Framework in the light of new approaches and policy issues, and discuss the directions to be taken in the revision of the Framework and the modalities of the revision process.	UNSC		2009						
OECD WP on Chemicals, Pesticides and Biotechnology				Annual							
OECD WP on Waste Prevention and Recycling				Annual							
OECD WG on Environmental Information and Outlooks (WGEIO)		Provide the factual basis for the OECD's policy work, environmental peer reviews and outlooks, and support countries in improving their environmental information systems and reporting.	OECD	Annual	1979 (1977 adhoc group)						UNEP

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3.2 Regional and small area statistics											
3.3 Multi-domain statistics and indicators											
OECD Short-term Economic Statistics <i>EG</i> (STESEG)		Developing main short-term Economic Indicators. Main achievements: -The Data and Metadata Reporting and Presentation Handbook, The Compilation Manual for an Index of Service Production, Two Framework papers...									
OECD/Eurostat <i>TF</i> Performing Revisions Analysis for Sub-Annual Economic Statistics	<i>ToR</i>				2007						IT, US, NL, DE, UK
3.3.1 Living conditions, poverty											
Rio Group on Poverty statistics	<i>Web site</i>	To harness the experience and concerns of different groups and organizations in the world that are working on the measurement, interpretation and use of poverty statistics, especially when such work is being done by or in close contact with statistical offices.		Annual, in principle	1995	WHO UNICEF UNFPA UNDP					ILO, Paris21, WB, 22 countries, 19 international agencies and other institutions.
<i>SG</i> on Emerging Issues in Social Statistics		Coordinates the work of TF on volunteer work.	CES Bureau	email and teleconferences	Oct09-Oct12						CA (chair), AUS, US, IT => IT (Chair), AU, CA, DK, NO, PL, US
<i>TF</i> on Emerging Issues in Social Statistics	<i>Work plan</i>	- to identify and develop proposals to examine emerging issues in social statistics, including measurement concepts, common questions / modules and modalities to achieve them (incl prototyping and/or testing strategies)		Sept 2006, Aug 2007...	2005						CA, US, AU, DK, IT
3.3.2 Gender and special population groups											
<i>SG</i> on Gender statistics	<i>CES Bureau Febr 2008</i>	Work using e-mail connections. The group may meet in conjunction with the UNECE Work Session on Gender Statistics. Coordinate the CES work on gender statistics. The group has an advisory role in the organization of CES meetings and workshops on gender statistics. Reviewed ToR was approved CES Bureau Febr 2008, the work will be reviewed 2010.	CES Bureau		2005	UNDP					IE, NL, RS, SE, UK, US
<i>TF</i> on UNECE gender database	<i>CES Bureau Febr 2007</i>	To advise UNECE and make improvements to the gender statistics database. - to guide on improving data accuracy and availability, - suggest new indicators to be included, - to develop a marketing strategy, - to explore how to produce reports and publications	CES Bureau		2007						CA, NL, PL, PT, RO, CH

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TF on Gender Statistics Training for Statisticians	CES Bureau Febr 2008	Work using e-mail connections. The main objective is to continue to assist NSO's to integrate the gender perspective into their data collection, processing and dissemination through training workshops and technical cooperation activities. Reviewed ToR was approved CES Bureau Febr 2008, the work will be finalized by 2010.	CES Bureau		2005						BY, SF, GE, IE, RS, SE, MK, US
TF on the Measurement of Gender-based Violence	CES Bureau Febr 2008	Work using e-mail connections. The revised ToR was approved CES Bureau Febr 2008. It was decided that the Task Force should prioritize its work by continuing to focus on violence against women before the work is broadened to cover other aspects of gender-based violence. The Bureau will review the ToR in 2010.	CES Bureau		2005	UNFP A, UNIFEM					HEUNI, US Census Bur, GE, AL, RS/ME, IT, CA, WHO + many other organisations
Inter-Agency and EG on Gender statistics					Launch Dec 2007	UNSD, UNFP A					IT
Friends of the Chair on the indicators on violence against women			UNSC		2008						Botswana, BG, CN, DH, Ghana, IT, MX (chair), Thailand + International bodies as observers
3.3.3 Information society											
OECD WP on Indicators Information Society (WPIIS)											
Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development		To agree on a common set of ICT indicators + global database	UNSC			UNCTAD, UNESCO, others					ITU, WB
Workshop on Information Society Measurement in Latin America and the Caribbean		Meetings organised by Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean (OSILAC) and UNECLAC		Annual							
3.3.4 Globalisation											
WG on the Impact on Globalisation of National Accounts (WGGNA) ==> Group of Experts on the Impact of Globalisation on National Accounts	Progress report Oct 09	To review the main distortions in the compilation of national accounts and related source statistics, as caused by the growing globalisation of economies. Doing so, the Working Group should put forward proposals to deal with these distortions and improve the quality of national accounts. The Working Group should approach the issue using the system of national accounts as an integrating framework.	Sub-group reports to CES and CES Bureau		2007	UNCTAD					A leadership sub-group composed of CA, CZ, FI, NL, UK, US, UNECE, OECD, Eurostat and OECD steer the work.

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WP on Globalisation of Industry (WPGI)	OECD Intergovernmental Activity	Ends Dec 2008. <i>Related to WGGNA.</i>	OECD		2007						OECD member countries, UNCTAD, WB, WTO)
3.3.5 Indicators related to the Millennium Development Goals											
SG on monitoring MDGs					2006						
Interagency and EG on MDG Indicators	MDG web site	To produce the data and analysis to monitor progress towards the MDGs; review methodologies and technical issues in relation to the indicators; and support countries in data collection, analysis and reporting for MDG indicators.	UNSD	Annual	2002						WB, DFID, ECA, ECE, ESCWA, FAO, IDB, ILO, OECD, UNICEF, UNIFEM, WHO, 20 countries (BF;KH;CR;ET;GH;ID;JO;MK;MX;MD;MA;NP;NI;PL;ZA;UG;VN;YE;ZM)
Friends of the Chair on MDG Indicators		To assist in the preparations of a report, assessing the abilities of countries to produce indicators.			2005						14 countries: AU, CA, CH, CU, FI, GH, IC, IT, JA, MX, Th, US, ZA. Secretariat UNSD.
3.3.6 Sustainable development											
TF on Measuring Sustainable development	ToR	Continue work on set of indicators proposed by Working group on Statistics for Sustainable development (WGSSD). Final report 2011.	CES Bureau		2009						WB will be invited to contribute.
3.4 Yearbooks and similar compendia											
4. Methodology of data collection, processing, dissemination and analysis											
4.1 Metadata											
Joint WG METIS [Common Metadata framework]	CES Bureau June 2004	Preparation of the Common Metadata Framework	UNECE/CES June 2008	Biennial, next 04/2008	2004						
SG on Statistical metadata (METIS)	ToR	ToR presented to the CES Bureau Oct 2007. Set up to - promote the implementation of metadata systems by developing advocacy targeting the senior management level and subject-matter staff of national statistical offices, - oversee the maintenance of the Common Metadata Framework.	CES Bureau		2007						AU, US, CA, NZ, SI, SE,
EG on International Economic and Social Classifications		Coordination of activities related to classifications	UNSC	Every 2 years							DE, FR, UK, AU, NL.

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TSG of the EG on International Economic and Social Classifications		Revision and implementation of ISIC/CPC [NACE/CPA]	Expert Group on Economic and Social Classifications	2 per year							DE, FR, AU, NL.
TSG on the revision of ISCO	Web site	Revision of the occupation classification		Now mainly work by e-mail							UNESCO, SE, UK
4.2 Classifications											
4.3 Data sources											
4.3.1 Population and housing censuses and registers											
SG on Population and Housing Censuses	ToR	Mandate given by CES. New ToR in 2006. To coordinate and oversee the implementation of the CES recommendations for the 2010 round of population and housing censuses; facilitate exchange of experiences in census methodology, technology and content.	CES Bureau	18 months interval	2003						Many
TF on Families and Households	ToR	New tasks agreed in 2006. To improve the quality of statistics on families and households. Work will be completed first half 2009. SG on Emerging Issues on Social Statistics coordinates the work. Final report to CES Bureau Oct 2009 meeting, dissolved June 2010 after completing report on measuring new forms of family and household arrangements.	CES Bureau		2003						Many
4.3.2 Business and agricultural censuses and registers											
Roundtable on Business Survey Frames (Citygroup) Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers - Roundtable on Business Survey Frames	Doc from prev. meetings	To provide a forum for the exchange of views and experience and the conduct of joint experiments related to the development, maintenance and use of business registers to support survey sampling and other statistical activities related to the production of business statistics.		Annual (forthcoming every 2 years)	1986						34 countries and 4 int agencies participated in the 2007 meeting
SG on Business registers		ToR revised 2006		Every 2 years	2003 (2006)						FR, CZ, RU
OC of the Joint Seminar on Business registers	Reference	The Organising Committee replaces the Steering Group on Business Registers, whose mandate expired at the end of 2006. The ToR will be reviewed after three years.	CES Bureau	Annual	2008						CZ, FR, UK, CIS-Stat

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4.3.3 Household surveys											
TF on Victim Surveys	Work plan	To survey, analyse and share experience in -methods used in victimization surveys, testing the methods, -organisation and requirements for victim surveys		E-mail exchange, no meetings	2005	UNOD C					Several countries
4.3.4 Business and agricultural surveys											
4.3.5 Other administrative and non-survey sources											
4.4 Data editing and data linkage											
4.5 Dissemination, data warehousing											
SG on Statistical dissemination and communication	CES Bureau Oct 2004	Set up following recommendations of the WS on Dissemination of Statistical Commentary, to: - provide a forum for the exchange of experience in statistical dissemination and communication; - collect and publish best practices, guidelines and recommendations on this topic; - to advise and steer the work of the ECE secretariat on strategic and management questions of statistical dissemination and communication	CES Bureau		2004						CA, CZ, DK, EE, HU, IE, IT, RU, UK, US
4.6 Statistical confidentiality and disclosure protection											
TF on confidentiality and privacy aspects of statistical data integration	ToR	To produce a draft set of principles and annotated guidelines for addressing confidentiality and privacy aspects of statistical data integration projects. In Febr 2008 the TF recommended the continuation, with a deadline for a final set of principles and accompanying guidelines by Febr 2009.	CES Bureau		2007						AU (Chair), CA, FI, NL, PL, SI, US
Expert Group on Confidentiality					2011						
4.7 Data analysis											
5. Strategic and managerial issues of official statistics											
5.1 Institutional frameworks and principles, role of official statistics											

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5.2 Statistical programmes, priority setting											
5.3 Quality frameworks											
CCSA project: Use and convergence of international quality assurance frameworks		Led by Eurostat		Annual							
EG on quality assurance	UNSC doc	Decision in UNSC 2010	UNSD								
WG-EDG Measuring trust in official statistics		Communication electronically. During 2010 move to the next stage of testing the developed questionnaire in several countries.	OECD		2009						
5.4 Human resources and training											
TF on training for staff of international agencies											
5.5 Technological resources (incl standards for electronic data exchange and data sharing)											
SDMX Sponsors Committee (TF to Establish Standards on Data and Metadata Exchange)	SDMX web site	MoU signed 2007 between Eurostat, ECB, BIS, IMF, OECD, WB, UN		Every 2-3 months	2001						BIS, ECB, WB
OECD EG on Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange	OECD web site	Discussion Forum. The Group is closely linked to the SDMX initiative.	OECD	Annual							BIS, ECB, WB
SG Management of Statistical Information Systems (MSIS)	UNECE web site	To: - exchange experience, collect good practices, encourage implementation of standards in statistical information management, - advise the CES Bureau and the ECE secretariat on work related to statistical information systems; - make recommendations on coordinating the activities of international organizations in this area, - update the 1999 Guidelines on Information Systems architecture for National and International statistical offices.	CES Bureau		2002						CA, LV, NO, NL, US
Management of Statistical Information Systems (MSIS) Sharing Advisory Board (SAB)		ToR decision in CES Bureau meeting Oct 2009.	SG of MSIS		2009	UNIDO					NL (Chair), CA, NO, AUS, IT
Statistical Information Systems Sharing Advisory Board		ToR decision in CES Bureau meeting June 2010. Will focus on technical issues.									

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High Level Group for Strategic Developments in Business Architecture Statistics (HLG-BAS)		ToR decision in CES Bureau meeting June 2010. Will focus on strategic issues. The work to be reviewed in two years.									
Task Team (TF) on Data Sharing		Decision in CCSA Sept 08. Work on best practices in data sharing. ToR will be agreed by the end of November 08.			end 2008						Convened by ECB. WB, WTO/OMT
5.6 Co-ordination of international statistical work											
5.7 Technical cooperation and statistical capacity building											
CCSA coordination of statistical capacity building - Task teams (Sept 2006):		=Groups covering all Africa incl. Medstat countries (Egypt, Tunisia, Algeria). It is planned that the African Union, the African Development Bank and the ECA will take over some of this work.									
Task team 1. Reporting mechanisms on statistical building activities		Led by Paris21. Donor coordination with a questionnaire largely based on that of Eurostat.	CCSA		2006						WTO, WB
Task team 2. Capacity building through regional training initiatives for national statisticians		Led by UNSD	CCSA		2006						ILO, FAO, Paris21
Task team 3. Review of modalities for coordination of technical cooperation programmes at the sub-regional level		Led by WB	CCSA		2006	ESCWA					ADB, WTO
Task team 4. Assessment of the effectiveness of capacity building activities in Africa		Led by UNSD	CCSA		2006						WHO, Paris21, WB, ADB
CCSA - Task team (Proposed February 2009)											
Task team: Modalities of data sharing among international organizations		Draft ToR: Data sharing between two or more CCSA organisations; high level - best practices in dissemination; re-publication policy by CCSA organisations and terms/conditions applying when data are re-published by third parties. Confidential or other sensitive data (appropriate only for internal use) are left outside the scope of this work. The Code does not replace reporting obligations or existin+A4g bilateral agreements. The TF should deliver its draft(s) by end-June 2009.	CCSA		2009						Volunteered members: Eurostat, OECD, World Bank and World Tourism Organization