

27th meeting of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for the 2030 Agenda (HLG-PCCB)

London, United Kingdom
27-28 September 2022, Open/ closed meeting

Opening

1. Ms. Awad and Ms. Dhuli (co-chairs) welcomed members and issue partners to the meeting.

Review of the UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) planning

2. Ms. Badiie (Programme Committee co-chair) with support from the secretariat presented the status of the programme. Members had received a file with the shortlisted proposals prior to the meeting. The Committee was still working on narrowing down the proposals a little further from 79 to 70. In parallel, discussions within smaller groups of the committee were ongoing to frame the plenaries and select speakers.

See [link to presentation](#) [members wiki access only] for more details.

Action: Members to provide comments on the current shortlist of proposals by Wednesday, 12 October.

3. Mr. Mao (China) gave an update on the programme, logistical and communication plans from the host country perspective and explained the setting up of the different preparatory institutions and implementation phases were going well. He wished to welcome all members to Hangzhou in 2023. Members asked about the travel policy in place, and it was explained a 7-day quarantine with 3-day health monitoring was the current policy. Several members expressed concern that such a policy would mean their organisations would not be able to travel to the Forum.
4. Ms. French (UN secretariat) gave an update on the communication plans from the secretariat perspective including a new communications strategy, a recently relaunched [Call for Blogs](#) and more publicity around different social media channels (@UNdataforum, #UNdataforum)

Updates on initiatives related to the financing of data and statistics

5. The UN secretariat, PARIS21 and the World Bank gave an update on their continued collaboration on improving financing for sustainable development data. Claire Melamed (Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data) gave a summary of recent events they had conducted with the Office of the Secretary General during the General Assembly week on data financing and the [investment case](#) for data. Johannes Jutting and Francois Fonteneau (PARIS21) reported on the continued progress of the [Bern Network](#) and the [Clearinghouse for financing sustainable development data](#). Craig Hammer (World Bank) gave a presentation on the latest developments regarding the Global Data Facility.

Cape Town Global Action Plan (CTGAP) revision subgroup: update and group exercise

6. Mr. Rutherford (secretariat) reminded members of the [background to the Cape Town Global Action Plan and the status of review](#) which has started in 2021. Following the presentations reactions were taken in plenary through a tour de table before the in-person attendees were placed into three groups to discuss two overarching questions: what new national/regional priorities should be integrated in an updated CTGAP; and how can a global plan be meaningful for a national/regional context.
7. The plenary reaction and group work resulted in three main conclusions:
 - The global plan needed a more assertive communication strategy to communicate a set of simple and realistic ambitions linked to more detailed plans at the regional and national level.
 - The global plan needed to be outward looking to promote better partnerships, coordination, and capacity development efforts with data users and other data producers/ custodians, including more focus on the local and linked to the current policy context.
 - The global plan should continue to be supported by periodic monitoring and evaluation of progress and lessons learnt assessment.

Action: The secretariat will take these conclusions and the more detailed inputs collected from participants to provide a new strategy for taking forward the revision of the Cape Town Global Action Plan, including its consultation and possible side event during 54th UN Statistical Commission and announcement at the 4th UN World Data Forum.

Presentations given by the hosts

8. There were two presentations given during the lunch time periods Ms. Watkins presented on the [International Data Science Accelerator Programme](#) and Mr. Bolton on the [Inclusive Data Charter](#).

Closed meeting

9. The co-chairs led members through a discussion of different topics concerning the working arrangements of the group. In summary, members agreed:
 - Following the adoption of a revised [Terms of Reference](#) during the 53rd UN Statistical Commission, the co-chairs would write an official communication to the regional commissions regarding countries whose representatives had not attended the last three meetings (25th – 27th meetings).
 - Members agreed to maintain the [list of standing issue partners](#) agreed at the 24th meeting and extend the list with representatives from the Centro de Pensamiento Estratégico Internacional (Cepei), the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad), the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). Members recommended reviewing this list in detail every 2-years.
 - The workplan for 2022 was reviewed and its two main outputs; the preparation of the next UN World Data Forum and revision of the Cape Town Global Action would continue into the 2023 work plan. The draft report of the group for the 54th UN Statistical Commission would be shared following the meeting for member's comments. The deadline for its submission for editorial and translation is early November.

Future event and meeting plans:

10. The following calendar of high-level meetings related to data and statistics was discussed during the meeting;

Dates	Event	Location
9 – 10 Nov 2022	PARIS21 Board meeting	Paris, France
7 – 9 Nov 2022	13th meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs)	Bangkok, Thailand
7 – 11 Nov 2022	7th International Conference on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics	Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Dates	Event	Location
28 Nov – 2 Dec 2022	Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2022	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
4 – 6 Apr 2023	17th International Association for Official Statistics Conference (IAOS-ISI)	Luanda, Zambia
28 Feb – 3 Mar 2023	54th session of the UN Statistical Commission	New York, USA
24 – 27 Apr 2023	4th UN World Data Forum¹	Hangzhou, China
16 – 20 Jul 2023	64th ISI World Statistics Congress	Ottawa, Canada
7 – 9 Nov 2023	2023 Festival de Datos	Punta del Este, Uruguay

Any other business & closing

11. Next virtual meeting is planned for **Thursday, 15 December 2022**

¹ To be confirmed based on the discussions of the next HLG-PCCB meeting to be held virtually on Thursday, 15th December.

Annex 1: Agenda

**Twenty-seventh meeting of the High-level Group
for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for
Sustainable Development (HLG-PCCB)**

27 - 28 September 2022, 9:30am – 17:00pm
Church House, Westminster, London, United Kingdom
Open meeting

DAY 1 - OPEN MEETING		
	Agenda item (all times are local BST, GMT+1)	Item type² / format
09:30 – 10:00am	1. Opening and introductions (photo opportunity)	
10:00 – 11:00am	2. Review of the UN World Data Forum (UNWDF) planning a. Programme, including proposal shortlist b. Communications strategy and implementation	For discussion (virtual connection)
11:00 – 11:20am	Break	
11:20 – 11:50am	2. Review of the UNWDF planning (continued) c. Logistics update	For information (virtual connection)
11:50 – 12:30pm	3. Updates on initiatives related to the financing of data and statistics	For information (virtual connection)
12:30 – 14:30pm	Lunch (including 30 min presentation from UK hosts)	
14:30 – 15:30pm	4. CTGAP revision subgroup: update and scene setting for group activity - facilitated by the Statistics Division and PARIS21	For discussion (virtual connection)
15:30 – 15:50pm	Break	
15:50 – 17:00pm	4. Group activity on CTGAP revision - facilitated by the Statistics Division and PARIS21 (continued)	For discussion (in-person only)
DAY 2 - CLOSED MEETING		
	Agenda item (all times are local BST, GMT+1)	Item type
09:30 – 09:40am	1. Opening of closed meeting	

² Where relevant, item type text will contain a link to the wiki with the document for discussion or information.

09:40 – 11:00am	2. Functions and working modalities a. Representation on the group b. Representation in other advisory bodies c. Issue partners d. 54 th UN Stat Commission: activities in 2021 – 22 and work plan 2022 – 23	For discussion (virtual connection)
11:00 – 11:20am	Break	
DAY 2 - OPEN MEETING		
11:20 – 12:30pm	3. CTGAP revision subgroup: summary/ conclusions from Day 1 group exercise - facilitated by the Statistics Division and PARIS21	For discussion (virtual connection)
12:30 – 14:30pm	Lunch (including 30 min presentation from UK hosts)	
14:30 – 15:00pm	4. Plans for the Data Festival and other events in 2022-23	For information (in-person only)
15:00 – 15:30pm	Tour	(in-person only)
15:30 – 15:50pm	Break	
15:50 – 17:00pm	5. Any other business and summary/conclusions	(in-person only)

Annex 2: List of participants

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HLG-PCCB member countries

1.	Ms. Elsa Dhuli	Institute of Statistics (INSTAT-Albania)	In-person
2.	Ms. Vjollca Simoni	INSTAT-Albania	In-person
3.	Mr. Jose dos Santos Francisco Calengi	Instituto Nacional de Estatística (INE-Angola)	In-person
4.	Mr. Aurelio Nunda	INE-Angola	In-person
5.	Mr. Mariano Poledo	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos (INDEC-Argentina)	In-person
6.	Mr. Nicolás Petresky	INDEC-Argentina	In-person
7.	Ms. Diana Castillo-Trejo	Statistical Institute of Belize (SIB)	In-person
8.	Mr. Mao Shengyong	National Bureau of Statistics (NBS-China)	Virtual
9.	Ms. Ba Yunhong	NBS-China	Virtual
10.	Ms. Adriana Raza	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos (INEC-Ecuador)	Virtual
11.	Mr. Samuel Annim	Ghana Statistical Service (GSS)	In-person
12.	Ms. Ainura Orozbaeva	National Statistical Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic	In-person
13.	Ms. Graciela Márquez	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI-México)	In-person
14.	Ms. Ariadna Díaz	INEGI-México	In-person
15.	Mr. Mohammed Bircharef	Haut-Commissariat au Plan (HCP-Maroc)	In-person
16.	Ms. Live Rognerud	Statistics Norway	In-person
17.	Mr. Benjamin Navarro	Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)	Virtual
18.	Ms. Gerlie Espartinaz	PSA	Virtual
19.	Mr. Dominik Rozkrut	Statistics Poland	In-person
20.	Ms. Olga Świerkot-Strużewska	Statistics Poland	In-person
21.	Ms. Renata Bielak	Statistics Poland	In-person
22.	Ms. Ailepata Simanu	Samoa Bureau of Statistics	In-person

23.	Ms. Ana Carmen Saura	Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE-España)	In-person
24.	Ms. Ola Awad	Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)	In-person
25.	Sir Ian Diamond	Office for National Statistics (ONS-UK)	In-person
26.	Ms. Nicola Shearman	ONS-UK	In-person
27.	Mr. Simon Jones	ONS-UK	In-person
28.	Ms. Annie Maw	ONS-UK	In-person
29.	Mr. Oliver Mahoney	ONS-UK	In-person
30.	Ms. Kirsten Newton	ONS-UK	In-person
31.	Ms. Geanina Watkins	ONS-UK	In-person
32.	Mr. Mike Bolton	ONS-UK	In-person

IAEG-SDGs

33.	Ms. Cara Williams	Statistics Canada	Virtual
34.	Ms. Karen Lizeth Chavez Quintero	Departamento Administrativo Nacional de Estadística (DANE-Colombia)	Virtual

Issue partners

35.	Mr. Johannes Jütting	Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21)	In-person
36.	Mr. Francois Fonteneau	PARIS21	In-person
37.	Ms. Rachael Beaven	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)	Virtual
38.	Ms. Paula McLeod	UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)	In-person
39.	Ms. Claire Melamed	Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD)	In-person
40.	Ms. Kate Richards	GPSDD	In-person
41.	Mr. Geir Øvnsen	Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad)	Virtual
42.	Ms. Shaida Badiie	Open Data Watch (ODW)	Virtual
43.	Ms. Andrea Ries	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)	Virtual
44.	Mr. Craig Hammer	World Bank (WB)	Virtual

Secretariat

45.	Mr. Stefan Schweinfest	United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD-DESA)	Virtual
46.	Ms. Francesca Perucci	UNSD-DESA	In-person
47.	Mr. Ian Mark Rutherford	UNSD-DESA	In-person
48.	Ms. Aneeshaa Choudhury	UNSD-DESA	Virtual
49.	Ms. Rhian French	UNSD-DESA	In-person