

**55<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission  
IAEG-SDGs Side Event**

***Insights from SDG Monitoring: Lessons Learned, Linkages with Well-being Discussion, and  
2025 Comprehensive Review***

**Thursday, 08 February 2024 | 8:00-9:30 AM New York time (EST)  
Virtual**

**Concept Note**

**Background**

The [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#) represents an ambitious and comprehensive global development agenda to address the most urgent social, economic, and environmental challenges of our times. The monitoring frameworks play a crucial role in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda by systematic tracking of the progress towards achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 targets of the Agenda, from local to global.

This side event will delve into key aspects of SDG monitoring:

First, the SDG monitoring frameworks become instrumental in the decision-making process by providing policymakers with vital data. However, a challenge persists, as not all countries can adequately translate these data into insightful information for evidence-based decision-making and the formulation of effective policies. This side event will look into how to transform the SDG data into actionable information.

Second, the event will also reflect on the lessons learned from the SDGs in terms of measurement and monitoring. It aims to explore how these lessons can inform the development monitoring framework for future or other global agendas, building consensus and ensuring a more comprehensive and impactful approach to addressing global challenges. It will also discuss the relevance of the SDG monitoring framework in the broader context of well-being measurements and beyond GDP considerations.

Lastly, General Assembly resolution [A/RES/71/313](#) called for the global indicator framework to be comprehensively reviewed by the Statistical Commission at its fifty-first session (which took place in 2020) and its fifty-sixth session to be held in 2025. In preparation for this second – and final – round of review, the IAEG-SDGs will also use this side event to share details about the [2025 Comprehensive Review](#) process, including the guiding principles, specific criteria, submission requirements, and timeline.

**Event page:** <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/meetings/iaeg-sdgs-side-event-UNSC55/>

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## **Provisional Agenda**

- 1. Welcome, Cara Williams and Denise Kronemberger, IAEG-SDGs co-chairs**
- 2. Panel: Insights from SDG monitoring and implications for other global monitoring frameworks**
  - a. Measuring the SDGs: Challenges and lessons learned; Steve MacFeely, World Health Organization
  - b. SDGs' relevance in the well-being discussion; Bo Hoogerwerf, Statistics Netherlands
  - c. Implementing and reporting on the SDGs: A country perspective; Denise Kronemberger, Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics
  - d. Geospatial data and Ireland's latest VNR; Mary Smyth, Central Statistics Office of Ireland
- 3. The 2025 Comprehensive Review**
  - a. Announcing the guiding principles, specific criteria, submission requirements, and timeline for the 2025 Comprehensive Review; UNSD
- 4. Q&A**