

Side Event, 51st Session of the UN Statistical Commission
**“Statistics of Human Development: Conversation with National
Statisticians”**

UNDP

FF Building, 12 Floor
'Mahub ul Haq' Conference Room

304 East 45th Street
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This side event of the 51st session of the Statistical Commission organized by the Human Development Report Office (HDRO) of UNDP is particularly relevant because the HDRO is celebrating the 30th anniversary of the publication of the Human Development Report (HDR) this year. The HDRO has been organizing these informative sessions as side events to the annual UN Statistical Commission since 2011, as a part of the wider consultation process with statistical community. The HDRO is committed to regular consultations with the National Statistical Offices (NSOs), which include an annual letter, regional consultations, statistical advisory panel and expert group meetings.

A short presentation will give a summary of the 2019 HDR and will introduce the theme of the 2020 HDR, followed by a brief review of basic concepts and measurements of human development and a summary of commonalities and complementarity with the 2030 Agenda, underlying the synergies between them. Some ideas for updates of methodology of current composite indices for the 2020 edition of the HDR will be presented, as well as a possibility of introducing a new experimental composite index, which would evaluate country's collective capability to care about the health of environment – accounting for its degradation, pollution, loss of biodiversity, etc. The statistical framework of the human development reporting will be reviewed.

The presentation will be followed by the floor discussion.