



“How can we harmonize official statistics in university curriculum?”



Asia-Pacific Stats Café Series



This Stats Café held on 31 May provided an opportunity to bridge the gap between official statistics and university curriculum by inviting lecturers on statistics whilst addressing the following:

- How are official statistics taught in universities?
- What kinds of support from governments, international agencies and other stakeholders will be helpful for teaching data and official statistics in universities?
- What kinds of elements should be included in the curriculum to ensure that students are better prepared to work for official statistics?

ASIA-PACIFIC STATS CAFE
HOW CAN WE HARMONIZE OFFICIAL STATISTICS IN UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM?
31 May 2021, 1200-1300h (GMT+7)

Welcome by
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Moderated by
Makoto Shimizu
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Panelists

Lisa Grace S. Bersales, PhD
Professor of Statistics at the
University of the Philippines (UP)
School of Statistics and Vice
President for Planning and
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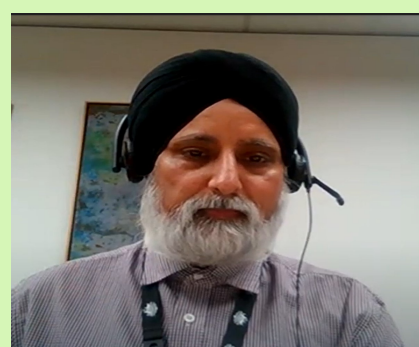
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Ms Gemma Van Halderen, Director of Statistics Division of ESCAP opened the session by a welcome speech and, Mr Makoto Shimizu, Officer-in-Charge of the Institute moderated the session. The invited experts were: Dr Lisa Grace S. Bersales, Professor of Statistics at the University of the Philippines (UP) School of Statistics and Vice President for Planning and Finance of the UP System, Dr Erni Tri Astuti, Lecturer/Director, Politeknik Statistika STIS, BPS Statistics Indonesia as well as Dr Sharleen Forbes, Director, StatEd Consultancy, New Zealand.

Online meeting with a labour accounts expert



Webinar session as part of an e-learning course on labour accounts

Mr Manpreet Singh, an expert on labour accounts at the Australian Bureau of Statistics was invited to run a session on 14 May.

Mr Singh made a presentation on key points about labour accounts and thereafter, participants were given an opportunity to ask questions to deepen their understanding.



E-learning course on developing national indicator frameworks for SDG monitoring [24 May-25 June 2021]

Webinar session on 1 June



This e-learning course aims to provide insights on how to facilitate the alignment of national plans and indicator frameworks. It provides details on the important role statistical indicators play in monitoring national and sectoral plans.

While the focus is on developing indicator frameworks to monitor national and sectoral plans, the course also includes guidance on aligning national processes on indicator development with the 2030 Agenda and the accompanying SDG indicator framework.

A webinar session on the topic of 'developing national and sectoral plans' was organised on 1 June. Mr Garry Wiseman who used to work at the United Nations Development Programme in Fiji was invited as a guest speaker.

Training of Trainers on Gender Statistics for Monitoring the SDGs

Hybrid course of e-learning and virtual learning components

Recognising the importance of gender statistics in monitoring and assessing progress towards the 2030 Agenda and meeting the rising demand for training in gender statistics, UN Women, ESCAP and SIAP developed the [Training Curriculum on Gender Statistics](#) under the guidance of [Subgroup on Gender Statistics Training](#), which is a subsidiary organ of the [Network for the Coordination of Statistical Training in Asia and the Pacific](#).

This virtual Training of Trainers aims to provide an opportunity for participants to better understand the materials included in the Curriculum. It will also offer participants the opportunity to gain certification (optional).

In addition, to help learners better understand some of the materials included in the Curriculum, and in light of face-to-face training limitations brought about by COVID-19, UN Women, ESCAP and SIAP jointly developed related e-learning materials.

This is an ongoing course with virtual sessions conducted for four days in May and another four days scheduled in June.

