

Statistical Capacity Building : ESCAP Statistics Division

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**Third Workshop on Forging Partnerships in
Statistical Training in Asia and the Pacific**

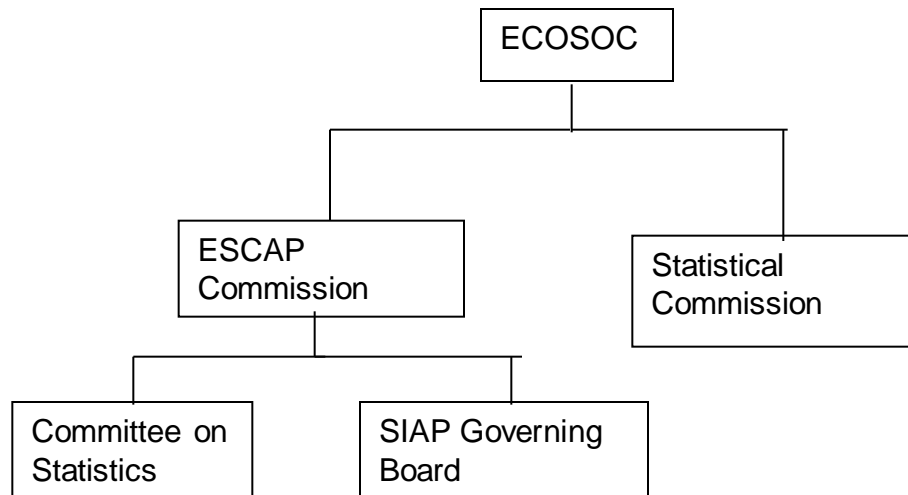
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Coordination:

- Global -- Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (CCSA)
- Regional – ESCAP Committee on Statistics: good news, it is coming back!
- Subregional -- SPC, ECO, ASEAN
- Agency-specific -- UNSD, UN specialized agencies, ADB, OECD...

Anticipated Institutional structure



Modalities of capacity-building:

- Advisory services
- Technical meetings
- Workshops
- Occasional manuals, handbooks
- Website, newsletters
- Advocacy
- Interagency collaboration
- Support for South-South, North-South cooperation
- Forum for articulation of regional views



Some of the objectives of ESCAP workshops/ meetings:

- exchange best practices;
- inform countries about international recommendations/ standards;
- discuss and obtain regional views on proposed international statistical standards;
- conduct advocacy for statistical programmes;
- obtain guidance from expert groups on areas of statistics.

Recent workshops/ meetings have covered:

- Economic and Informal Sector Statistics;
- Disability Statistics;
- MDGs;
- 2010 Round Population Censuses;
- Other Statistical Areas

Economic and Informal Sector Statistics

- Workshop on economic statistics and informal sector, 10-13 Nov 2007, Teheran;
- Workshop on Informal Employment and Informal Sector Data Collection: Strategy, Tools and Advocacy, 19-21 Sep 2007;
- International Workshop on Country Practices in Compilation of International Merchandise Trade Statistics, 12-15 December 2006

2010 Round Population Censuses

- United Nations Regional Workshop on Census Cartography and Management, 15-19 October 2007, Bangkok;
- Expert Group Meeting on Effective Use of IT in Population Censuses, 10-12 December 2007, Bangkok;
- Expert Group Meeting on ESCAP Regional Census Programme; 27-28 Nov 2006, Bangkok

MDGs:

- Workshop on Statistics for Monitoring the Achievement of the MDGs in Asia and the Pacific, 31 July-2 August 2006, (jointly: ESCAP, SIAP, UNDP & ADB);
- International Conference on the Millennium Development Goals Statistics (ICMDGS), 1-3 October 2007, (jointly: ADB, UNSD, ESCAP and National Statistical Coordination Board (Philippines))

Other Statistical Areas:

- Training on documentation and archiving for census and survey microdata; 12-16 Nov 2007, Bangkok;
- Regional DevInfo Workshop; 16-20 January 2006
- Expert Group Meeting on Affordable Technologies for Disseminating Official Statistics, 5-7 October 2005

Thank you!

Comments and questions are
welcome.