

## Concept Note

### Webinar series on the 2025 System of National Accounts (2025 SNA) Implementation

3 June - 22 July 2025

#### I. Background

The 2025 System of National Accounts (2025 SNA) was adopted by the United Nations Statistical Commission during the 56<sup>th</sup> session in March 2025. The 2025 SNA is integrated with the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the Integrated Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual (BPM). Varying capacities and experiences of national statistical offices in implementing the 2008 SNA will have an impact on the smooth transition to the updated framework. The implementation challenges are accentuated especially in small island developing states and most developing countries where data collection is not frequent nor granular for the new standard breakdown and/or supplementary tables/accounts, due to an array of factors such as resource constraints amongst others.

Past [SNA outreach activities](#) presented the key concepts, definitions, and recommendations of the SNA manual and guidance notes. During the [introductory webinar](#) co-organized by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) Statistics Division, Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific, and the Pacific Community (SPC) in March 2025, participants raised the need to share country priorities and practices in implementing the SNA. Country-specific technical concerns and issues, however, would require in-depth training and technical assistance to ensure effective skills transfer. It is also imperative that national strategies for statistical development include the 2025 SNA.

#### II. Objectives

The [strategy for implementing the 2025 SNA and BPM7](#) emphasizes the significance of regional organizations in supporting with the implementation. It also highlights the importance of opportunities at the regional level for countries to share implementation plans and identify support that can be provided at this level.

The webinar series targets statisticians with knowledge and experience in the collection, compilation, and dissemination of national accounts statistics. Specifically, it will serve as a regional platform for knowledge exchange across Asia and the Pacific:

- Enabling national statistical organizations to share their approaches to transitioning to the 2025 SNA, particularly
  - o SNA implementation strategy/plan to be undertaken
  - o Compilation issues encountered
  - o Data sources used
  - o Conceptual, methodological, and practical changes adopted

- Preliminary estimates, if any
- Communication strategy to be employed
- Providing a venue for the international community to outline how it will support the SNA implementation in Asia and the Pacific

### III. Expected Outcomes

By the end of the webinar series, participants are able to:

- Identify initiatives of national statistical organizations in updating their methodological frameworks consistent with the 2025 SNA
- Analyze their own compilation challenges and assess the appropriate practical approach to address them
- Identify priority activities to fully implement the 2008 SNA and/or transition to the 2025 SNA for consideration in the national strategy for the development of statistics
- Familiarize themselves with initiatives of the international community to support the SNA implementation in Asia and the Pacific.

### IV. Structure and dates of the webinar

The webinars will be organized every Tuesday between June 3 and July 22. The sessions will be conducted in English without interpretation. For SNA-related topics, each resource person will be allotted 25 minutes for the presentation, followed by an open forum. For implementation strategies, resource persons are given 5 to 15 minutes to discuss their initiatives within the country and international support. The open forum will follow after the presentations have been completed.

Date (Japan time)	Topic	Resource person
June 3	<b>1 – Digitalization</b>	
15:00-15:05	Opening remarks	Seiji Takata, SIAP
15:05-15:35	Data for investment in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century	Attiq-ur-Rehman, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
15:35-16:05	Non-Fungible Token Assets: The Philippine Experience	Joermine Elaine Robredo, Philippine Statistics Authority
June 10	<b>2 – Well-being</b>	
15:00-15:30	Valuing Unpaid Household Service Work in the Republic of Korea	Jungwha Oh, Statistics Korea
15:30-16:00	Practice of Compiling the Satellite Account for Education and Training (SAET) in the Republic of Belarus	Irina Sergeichenko and Lyudmila Popkova, National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus
16:00-16:30	Philippine National Health Accounts	Carlyn Palencia, Philippine Statistics Authority

Date (Japan time)	Topic	Resource person
June 17	<b>3 – Sustainability</b>	
15:00-15:30	Recording depletion of natural resources and introducing the split ownership approach	Joe Whelan, Australia Bureau of Statistics
15:30-16:00	New Zealand's emissions trading scheme – SNA2025 Implementation	Tom Brown, Statistics New Zealand
June 24	<b>4 – Globalization</b>	
15:00-15:30	Thailand's CIF-FOB Adjustments	Angsupalee Wacharakiat, Bank of Thailand
15:30-16:00	Factoryless goods production	Kai-yin Kwok, Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong, China
16:00-16:30	The Use of MRIOTs to Discern the State and Evolution of Globalization	Mahinthan Joseph Mariasingham, ADB
July 1	<b>5 – Islamic finance</b>	
15:00-15:30	Integrating Islamic Finance into National Accounts: The Malaysia's Experience	Khairul Aidah binti Samah, Department of Statistics Malaysia
15:30-16:00	Islamic Finance in Pakistan	Attiq-ur-Rehman, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
16:00-16:30	Experimental Estimation of Islamic FISIM in Indonesia	Rizky Zulkarnain and Nurul Ainun Nisa, Badan Pusat Statistik (Statistics Indonesia)
July 8	<b>6 – Country-level implementation strategy and International support</b>	
15:00-15:15	Thailand's roadmap towards the implementation of the 2025 SNA	Peeranat Dangskul, Office of the National Economic and Social Development Council
15:15-15:30	Indonesia	Hadi Susanto, Badan Pusat Statistik (Statistics Indonesia)
15:30-15:45	Pakistan	Attiq-ur-Rehman, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
15:45-15:50	Asian Development Bank (ADB)	Mahinthan Joseph Mariasingham, ADB
15:50-15:55	ASEAN Statistics	Anang Laksono, ASEAN Secretariat
15:55-16:00	ESCAP	Rikke Munk Hansen, ESCAP Statistics Division
16:00-16:05		Chesca Rosales, SIAP
16:05-16:10	International Monetary Fund	Jennifer Ribarsky, International Monetary Fund
16:10-16:25	Open forum	ESCAP SD as moderator
16:25-16:30	Closing remarks	Rikke Munk Hansen, ESCAP Statistics Division

Date (Japan time)	Topic	Resource person
July 15	<b>7 – Issues concerning the Pacific region</b>	
11:00-11:30	Digitalization - Digital trade	Chad Morris, UNCTAD
11:30-11:50	- Digital supply and use tables	Tatsuo Saito, Economic and Social Research Institute, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan
11:50-12:20	Sustainability - Classifying and recording the production of electricity by households in the national accounts: the Australian experience	Amanda Seneviratne and Nigel Gibson, Australia Bureau of Statistics
12:20-12:50	- Emissions trading scheme	Tom Brown, Statistics New Zealand
July 22	<b>8 – Issues concerning the Pacific region</b>	
11:00-11:30	Well-being - Measuring informal economy	Aishath Hassan, Maldives Bureau of Statistics
11:30-12:00	- Unpaid household service work	Md. Emdadul Haque, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics
12:00-12:30	Sustainability - Recording depletion of natural assets as cost of production	Sonia Carrera, Office for National Statistics
	Country-level SNA implementation strategy and international support	
12:30-12:45	- Australia	Katherine Keenan and Tanya Uzunovski, Australia Bureau of Statistics
12:45-13:00	- New Zealand	Hamish Grant, Statistics New Zealand
13:00-13:15	- Samoa	Tanielu Isara, Samoa Bureau of Statistics
13:15-13:20	- IMF PFTAC	Donna Grcman, IMF PFTAC
13:20-13:25	- Open forum	SPC as moderator
13:25-13:30	Closing remarks	SPC

**V. Registration and webinar materials**

Interested participants may fill out the registration form in the following link or QR code by **21 May 2025**:



<https://forms.office.com/e/CjCzqT5Utv>

The webinar recording and presentations will be made available on [SIAP's website](#).