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## Statistical Commission

### Fifty-fifth session

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## Draft report

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## Organization of the session

### A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its fifty-fifth session at Headquarters from 27 February to 1 March 2024. The Commission held \_\_\_ meetings.

### B. Attendance

2. The session was attended by the representatives of the 24 States members of the Commission. Also in attendance were observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for non-member States, representatives of United Nations system organizations and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations. A list of participants is contained in document [E/CN.3/2024/INF/1](#).

### C. Election of officers

3. At its 1st meeting, on 27 February, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

*Chair:*

Georges-Simon Ulrich (Switzerland)

*Vice-Chairs:*

Graciela Márquez Colín (Mexico)

Hyoung Il Lee (Republic of Korea)

Adnen Lassoued (Tunisia)

*Rapporteur:*

Apolonija Oblak Flander (Slovenia)



## D. Agenda and organization of work

4. At its 1st meeting, on 27 February, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [E/CN.3/2024/1](#), as orally revised. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Items for discussion and decision:
  - (a) Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics;
  - (b) Working methods of the Statistical Commission;
  - (c) Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
  - (d) Data science;
  - (e) Governance statistics;
  - (f) National accounts;
  - (g) Economic statistics;
  - (h) Environmental-economic accounting;
  - (i) Agricultural and rural statistics;
  - (j) Social statistics;
  - (k) Gender statistics;
  - (l) Population and housing censuses;
  - (m) Regional statistical development.
4. Items for decision:
  - (a) Tourism statistics;
  - (b) Business and trade statistics;
  - (c) Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
  - (d) Climate change statistics;
  - (e) International statistical classifications;
  - (f) Open data.
5. Items for information:
  - (a) Demographic statistics;
  - (b) Disability statistics;
  - (c) Ageing-related statistics and age-disaggregated data;
  - (d) Health statistics;
  - (e) Service statistics;
  - (f) International Comparison Programme;<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> At its 1st meeting, on 27 February 2024, the Commission decided to consider agenda item 5 (f) as the final sub-item under agenda item 4.

- (g) Information and communications technology statistics;
  - (h) Business registers;
  - (i) Integration of statistical and geospatial information;
  - (j) Data stewardship;
  - (k) Coordination of statistical programmes;
  - (l) Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.
6. Programme questions (Statistics Division).
  7. Provisional agenda and dates of the fifty-sixth session of the Commission.
  8. Report of the Commission on its fifty-fifth session.
5. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the provisional programme of work and timetable for the session ([E/CN.3/2024/L.1](#)), as orally revised.
6. Also at the same meeting, the Commission invited the following intergovernmental organizations to participate as observers at its fifty-fifth session: Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics; Bank for International Settlements; Central African Economic and Monetary Community; Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa; Eastern Africa Statistical Training Centre; Economic and Statistical Observatory for Sub-Saharan Africa.

## **E. Documentation**

7. The documents before the Commission at its fifty-fifth session are available at <https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/documents/55>.
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