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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its forty-fifth session at United Nations Headquarters from 4 to 7 March 2014. The Commission held six 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 available on the Commission's website (see para. 7).

C. Election of officers

3. At its 1st meeting, on 4 March, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chair:

Jil Matheson (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Vice-Chairs:

Gabriella Vukovich (Hungary)

Pablo Tactuk (Dominican Republic)

Ma Jiantang (China)

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D. Agenda and organization of work

4. Also at its 1st meeting, on 4 March, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [E/CN.3/2014/1](#). 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) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics;
 - (b) Working methods of the Statistical Commission;
 - (c) Programme review: broader measures of progress;
 - (d) National accounts;
 - (e) Environmental-economic accounting;
 - (f) International trade and economic globalization statistics;
 - (g) Information and communications technology for development;
 - (h) International Comparison Programme;
 - (i) Disability statistics;
 - (j) Big data and modernization of statistical systems;
 - (k) Publications of the United Nations Statistics Division;
 - (l) Coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations system;
 - (m) World Statistics Day;
 - (n) Regional statistical development.
4. Items for information:
 - (a) Demographic statistics;
 - (b) Human settlement statistics;
 - (c) Gender statistics;
 - (d) Drugs and drug use statistics;
 - (e) International migration statistics;
 - (f) Culture statistics;
 - (g) Agriculture and rural statistics;
 - (h) Energy statistics;
 - (i) Statistics of international trade in services;
 - (j) Tourism statistics;
 - (k) Price statistics;
 - (l) Short-term economic indicators;
 - (m) Environment statistics;

- (n) Development indicators;
- (o) Statistical capacity-building;
- (p) Integration of statistical and geospatial information;
- (q) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes;
- (r) Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

- 5. Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division).
- 6. Provisional agenda and dates for the forty-sixth session of the Commission.
- 7. Report of the Commission on its forty-fifth session.

5. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of the work of the session ([E/CN.3/2014/L.1](#)).

6. Also at the 1st meeting, the Commission invited the following organizations to participate as observers at its forty-fifth session: the Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics; the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa; the Eurasian Economic Commission; the Observatoire économique et statistique d'Afrique subsaharienne; the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States; and the Secretariat of the Pacific Community.

E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Commission at its forty-fifth session are available from: http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission_45th_session.htm.
