

**African Centre for Statistics
Forum on African Statistical Development**

Ninth meeting
Addis Ababa (online), 14 December 2020

Draft programme of work

1.00–1.15 p.m.	<p>Session I: Introductory remarks and adoption of the programme of work Chair: Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)</p>
	<p>Welcoming remarks by Oliver Chinganya, Director, African Centre for Statistics, ECA</p>
	<p>Remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charles Lufumpa, Director of Statistics, African Development Bank (AfDB) • A representative of the African Union Commission (AUC) • Johannes Jütting, Executive Head, Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21) • Gero Carletto, Manager, Data Production and Methods, World Bank Group
	<p>Adoption of the programme of work</p>
1.15–1.45 p.m.	<p>Session II: Challenges and needs of national statistical systems within the context of the current and post-COVID-19 scenarios Chair: Egypt</p>
	<p>The problems faced by national statistical systems in Africa in responding to data demands in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic</p> <p>Presentations by representatives of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECA • Economic and Statistical Observatory for Sub-Saharan Africa (AFRISTAT), (Madior Fall) • Malawi
	<p>The Partner Report on Support to Statistics (PRESS)</p> <p>Presentation of the report by François Fonteneau, Deputy Head, PARIS21</p>
	<p>General discussion</p>
1.45–2.30 p.m.	<p>Session III: Contributions to statistical development in African countries within the context of the current and post-COVID-19 scenarios Chair: United Republic of Tanzania</p>
	<p>Presentation by ECA</p>
	<p>Presentation by AUC: Statistical development – the vision of the African Union</p>



	Presentation by Ben Paul Mungyereza, Manager, Statistical Capacity-Building, AfDB: a report on contributions to statistical development
	Presentation by Philippe Gafishi, Regional Programme Coordinator, PARIS21: African statistical capacity development – the PARIS21 perspective
	Presentation by Gero Carletto and Pierella Paci: a report by the World Bank Group
	Presentation by the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on its support programme for the statistics sector in Africa
	Presentation by Maria-Joao Santos and Maja Islam, Eurostat
	Presentation by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
	Presentation by the Millennium Challenge Corporation
	Presentation by Dominique Francoz, Head of the International Technical Assistance Section, National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies (INSEE): Statistical cooperation with African countries in the context of the COVID crisis: the experience of INSEE
	Presentation by Statistics Norway
	General discussion
	Session IV: Panel discussion: Maximizing the efficiency of partner support in the COVID-19 context
	Chair: Senegal
2.30–3.15 p.m.	<p>Panellists to include representatives of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUC • AfDB (Koua Kouakou, Manager, Economic and Social Statistics Division) • World Bank Group • Statistics South Africa
	Session V: Closing of the meeting
	Chair: ECA
3.15–3.30 p.m.	<p>Adoption of the forum communiqué</p> <p>Presenter: Angola</p>
	<p>Concluding remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Johannes Jütting, Executive Head, PARIS21 • Oliver Chinganya, Director, African Centre for Statistics, ECA