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## Statistical Commission

### Fifty-third session

28 February–2 March and 4 March 2022

## Draft report

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## Organization of the session

### A. Opening and duration of the session

1. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decisions 2022/312 and 2022/313, and taking into account the prevailing conditions relating to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic that are affecting the working arrangements and the available technological and procedural solutions in the interim period, the Statistical Commission did not hold formal meetings during its fifty-third session. The Commission held eight virtual informal meetings with remote simultaneous interpretation from 28 February to 2 March and on 4 March 2022 pursuant to Council decision 2022/313.

2. The Commission conducted its business during the fifty-third session through correspondence and informal consultations and considered proposals under silence procedure pursuant to Council decision 2022/312.

### B. Attendance

3. The virtual informal meetings of the fifty-third session were attended by the representatives of the 24 States members of the Commission. Also in attendance at the meetings 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.

### C. Election of officers

4. The Commission elected the following officers by acclamation under silence procedure pursuant to Council decision 2022/312:

*Chair:*

Gabriella Vukovich (Hungary)



*Vice-Chairs:*

Juan Daniel Oviedo Arango (Colombia)  
Georges-Simon Ulrich (Switzerland)  
Osman Alimamy Sankoh (Sierra Leone)

*Rapporteur:*

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## **D. Agenda and organization of work**

5. The Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [E/CN.3/2022/1](#), under silence procedure pursuant to Council decision 2022/312. 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) Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
  - (b) Data stewardship;
  - (c) Working methods of the Statistical Commission;
  - (d) Regional statistical development;
  - (e) Population and housing censuses;
  - (f) Civil registration, vital statistics and statelessness statistics;
  - (g) Human settlements statistics;
  - (h) Gender statistics;
  - (i) Health statistics;
  - (j) Crime and criminal justice statistics;
  - (k) Education statistics;
  - (l) Environmental-economic accounting;
  - (m) Climate change statistics;
  - (n) National accounts;
  - (o) Network of Economic Statisticians;
  - (p) Business and trade statistics;
  - (q) Information and communications technology statistics;
  - (r) International Comparison Programme;
  - (s) Agricultural and rural statistics;
  - (t) Informal economy statistics;
  - (u) Big data;
  - (v) International statistical classifications;
  - (w) Open data;
  - (x) Integration of statistical and geospatial information;

- (y) Governance, peace and security statistics.
4. Items for information:
    - (a) Ageing-related statistics and age-disaggregated data;
    - (b) Disability statistics;
    - (c) Energy statistics;
    - (d) Industrial statistics;
    - (e) Business registers;
    - (f) Service statistics;
    - (g) Price statistics;
    - (h) Coordination of statistical programmes;
    - (i) Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.
  5. Programme questions (Statistics Division).
  6. Provisional agenda and dates of the fifty-fourth session of the Commission.
  7. Report of the Commission on its fifty-third session.

6. The Commission also approved the provisional programme of work and timetable of the session (E/CN.3/2022/L.1/Rev.1), under silence procedure pursuant to Council decision 2022/312.

7. The Commission also adopted a decision under silence procedure pursuant to Council decision 2022/312, in which it invited the following intergovernmental organizations to participate as observers at its fifty-third session: Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics; Arab Maghreb Union; Bank for International Settlements; Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa; Eastern Africa Statistical Training Centre; Central African Economic and Monetary Community; Eurasian Economic Commission; European Free Trade Association; and the Economic and Statistical Observatory for Sub-Saharan Africa.

## E. Documentation

8. The documents before the Commission at its fifty-third session are available at <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/documents>.