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CARIBBEAN STATISTICIANS**

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**AGENDA**

- 1. OPENING CEREMONY**
- 2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**
- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- 4. PROCEDURAL MATTERS**
- 5. THE ECONOMIC STATISTICS FRAMEWORK:**
  - 5.1 Compilation of Regional Database in National Accounts and the Implementation of the 1993 Systems of National Accounts (1993 SNA);
    - 5.1.1 Status Report - CARICOM Secretariat
    - 5.1.2 Progress Report – National Statistical Offices
    - 5.1.3 Overview of 1993 (SNA) Implementation at the International Level
  - 5.2 The Compilation of Merchandise Trade Statistics:
    - 5.2.1 Status Report - CARICOM Secretariat
    - 5.2.2 Progress Report – National Statistical Offices
    - 5.2.3 Reconciliation of Regional Trade Data
  - 5.3 Statistics on International Trade in Services:
    - 5.3.1 Progress Report - CARICOM Secretariat

- 5.3.2 Progress Report – National Statistical Offices
- 5.4 Compilation of Statistics on Government Procurement
- 5.5 Other Areas of Economic Statistics – Status Reports by National Statistical Offices
- 5.6 International Comparison of Prices (ICP) in the Caribbean
- 5.7 Statistical Capacity Building: Update on the Ninth EDF to Strengthen Economic Statistics

## **6. SOCIAL GENDER STATISTICS:**

- 6.1 The CARICOM Programme in Social, Gender Component:
  - 6.1.1 The CARICOM Programme on Strengthening Capacity in the Compilation of Social/Gender and Environment Statistics and Indicators in the CARICOM Region:
    - 6.1.1.1 Progress Report on Fourth and Fifth Advisory Group Meetings – Development of the Social, Gender Component
    - 6.1.1.2 Gaps and Deficiencies in Social Statistics: Efforts to address these concerns
  - 6.1.2 Status Report – National Statistical Offices – General Progress of Work Social Statistics and the Compilation and Submission of Core/MDG Statistics and Indicators and the Operations of the SIMDG
  - 6.1.3 The Functioning of the Social Indicators Committee in Member States with particular reference to the Approaches of Belize, Suriname and Bermuda
- 6.2 Other Regional and International Initiatives in Social Statistics:
  - 6.2.1 Funding Required to Sustain the Process of Capacity Building in the CARICOM Region – Outline of Unmet Needs
  - 6.2.2 Collaboration with UNICEF in Guyana on the Child Protection and Monitoring Database
  - 6.2.3 Progress on the Multi-Donor Initiative to Support Collection of Social Data for Poverty Assessment and Reduction in the Caribbean (SPARC)- CDB/DFID/IDB/UNDP/World Bank :

- 6.2.3.1 Overview
- 6.2.3.2 Update on the Core Welfare Indicator Questionnaire (CWIQ)
- 6.2.3.3 Progress with respect to Surveys of Living Conditions (SLCs) and Country Poverty Assessments (CPAs) in the Region.
- 6.2.4 Advancement of the United Nations Agenda on Setting the Scope of Social Statistics and Report on the International Census Symposium and Expert Group Meeting 2004
- 6.2.5 Proposed Collaboration between CARICOM Secretariat and the UNSD in the Compilation of Information for the Demographic Yearbook
- 6.2.6 Caribbean Labour Market Information System (CLMIS) – International Labour Organisation (ILO)
- 6.2.7 Report on the UNECLAC Project: Development of Social Statistics in the Region – Future Outlook
- 6.2.8 Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in the Caribbean: the CDB-UNDP Recent Initiative in Trinidad and Tobago
- 6.3 Current Issues in the Development of Social Statistics:
  - 6.3.1 An Approach to Analysing and Disseminating Poverty Statistics at the Level of Small Areas using Geographic Information Systems
  - 6.3.2 Construction and Interpretation of Poverty Lines and Related Poverty Measures and the Application of Time Series Analysis
  - 6.3.3 The Use of Information Technology on Household Surveys: The Case of Bermuda's Data Collection on the Household Budget Survey Using Palmtop Computers
  - 6.3.4 Breaking Tradition: Towards An Alternative Measure Of Population Aging

## **7. ENVIRONMENTAL STATISTICS:**

- 7.1 Developmental Work on the Environmental Component of the CARICOM Programme:

7.1.1 Fourth and Fifth Advisory Group Meetings: Report on the Recommendations to Develop the Environmental Component of the CARICOM Programme

7.1.2 Progress Reports by Member States on Developmental Work in the Area of Environmental Statistics

7.1.3 The Role of Regional Statisticians in Mainstreaming Adaptation to Climate Change

## **8. MEASURABILITY OF THE INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) SECTOR**

8.1 Development of Statistics on ICT as mandated by the Meeting of Ministers of Information and Communication Technologies

8.2 National Efforts at Measuring ICT: Progress Reports by National Statistical Offices

## **9. FREE MOVEMENT STATISTICS: ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATISTICAL DATABASE TO MONITOR THE CARICOM SINGLE MARKET AND ECONOMY**

## **10. STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION**

10.1 Draft Statistical Programme for the CARICOM Region

10.2 Issues and Priorities of the International Programme of Work for the Development of Statistics in Latin America and the Caribbean

## **11. NATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT**

11.1 Overview of the Preparation of National Strategies for Statistical Development – PARIS 21

11.2 Development of a National Strategic Plan for Jamaica

11.3 The Vision 2020 Policy Statement of Trinidad and Tobago: Implications for National Strategic Plan

11.4 Creating and Fostering a Culture that Understands the Importance of Statistics

## **12. MODERNISATION OF STATISTICAL OFFICES:**

12.1 Effective Leadership and Management for Success in National Statistics Offices

- 12.2 Current Statistics on the Establishment of the Statistical Commission in Jamaica
- 12.3 Comment by Guyana re: Modernisation of the Bureau of Statistics
- 12.4 Government's Value Chain – An Important Key to Economic and Social Development
- 13. PROSPECTS FOR STATISTICAL TRAINING: EVALUATION OF EXISTING TRAINING PROGRAMMES: AN ASSESSMENT OF THE BESS PROGRAMME AND THE UTECH**
- 14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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