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Programme planning documents for the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Statistics subprogramme 2014-2015**Biennial evaluation plan of the Statistics subprogramme for 2014-2015****Note by the secretariat***Summary*

The present document provides the logical framework for the biennial evaluation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Statistics subprogramme for 2014-2015. It establishes links between the expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement (of the Strategic Framework for 2014-2015 (ECE/CES/2012/16) and the more detailed clusters of the Draft programme of work for 2014-2015 (ECE/CES/2013/15). The subprogramme includes four main areas of work:

- Coordination of international statistical work;
- Methodological work;
- Capacity building;
- United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Statistical Database.

For the purposes of evaluation, the “methodological work” is further broken down into four clusters of activities in the programme of work: (1) economic statistics, (2) social and demographic statistics, (3) environment and sustainable development statistics, and (4) cross-cutting issues of statistics.

The document is presented to the Conference of European Statisticians for adoption. The Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians approved the Biennial evaluation plan at their meeting of February 2013.

Expected accomplishments (EA) and indicators of achievement (IA) of the Strategic Framework 2014-2015 ¹	Title of the cluster of activities	Expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement of the Biennial Evaluation 2014-2015
EA (a) Streamlined international statistical work	1. Coordination of international statistical work in the ECE region	EA 1. Streamlined international statistical work
IA (a) (i) Number of international organizations regularly reporting their activities to the Database of International Statistical Activities maintained by ECE <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 26 organizations Estimate 2012-2013: 27 organizations Target 2014-2015: 27 organizations		IA 1. (i) Number of international organizations regularly reporting their activities to the Database of International Statistical Activities maintained by ECE <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 26 organizations Estimate 2012-2013: 27 organizations Target 2014-2015: 27 organizations
IA (a) (ii) Number of statistical areas reviewed in depth by the Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 5 areas Estimate 2012-2013: 5 areas Target 2014-2015: 5 areas		IA 1. (ii) Number of statistical areas reviewed in-depth by the Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 5 areas Estimate 2012-2013: 5 areas Target 2014-2015: 5 areas
EA (b) Updated and newly developed standards, methodologies and practices to enhance international comparability of statistics	2. Methodological work in economic statistics	EA 2. Updated and newly developed standards, methodologies and practices to enhance international comparability of economic statistics
IA (b) (i) Number of new or revised international statistical standards and/or recommendations developed with ECE contribution <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 6 new or revised standards and/or recommendations Estimate 2012-2013: 6 new or revised standards and/or recommendations Target 2014-2015: 5 new or revised standards and/or recommendations		IA 2. (i) Number of new or revised international statistical standards and recommendations on economic statistics developed with ECE contribution <i>Performance measures:</i> 2010-2011: 2 Estimate 2012-2013: 1 Target 2014-2015: 1
IA (b) (ii) Number of statistical areas (according to the Database of International Statistical Activities classification) to which		IA 2. (ii) Number of statistical areas (according to the Database of

¹ The 2012-2013 estimates and the 2014-2015 targets of the indicators of achievement of the strategic framework were adjusted after the actual data on the indicators of achievement were collected at the end of 2012.

Expected accomplishments (EA) and indicators of achievement (IA) of the Strategic Framework 2014-2015 ¹	Title of the cluster of activities	Expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement of the Biennial Evaluation 2014-2015
<p>ECE makes substantive methodological contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 27 areas Estimate 2012-2013: 27 areas Target 2014-2015: 27 areas</p>	<p>3. Methodological work in social and demographic statistics</p>	<p>International Statistical Activities classification) related to economic statistics to which ECE makes substantive methodological contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 6 statistical areas Estimate 2012-2013: 6 statistical areas Target 2014-2015: 6 statistical areas</p> <p>EA 3. Updated and newly developed standards, methodologies and practices to enhance international comparability of social and demographic statistics</p> <p>IA 3. (i) Number of new or revised international statistical standards and recommendations developed with ECE contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 2 Estimate 2012-2013: 3 Target 2014-2015: 2</p> <p>IA 3. (ii) Number of statistical areas (according to the Database of International Statistical Activities classification) related to social and demographic statistics to which ECE makes substantive methodological contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>Baseline 2010-2011: 9 statistical areas Estimate 2012-2013: 8 statistical areas Target 2014-2015: 8 statistical areas</p>
	<p>4. Methodological work in environment and sustainable development statistics</p>	<p>EA 4. Updated and newly developed standards, methodologies and practices to enhance international comparability of environment and sustainable development statistics</p>

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		<p>IA 4. (i) Number of new or revised international statistical standards and recommendations developed with ECE contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 1 Estimate 2012-2013: 1 Target 2014-2015: 1</p>
		<p>IA 4. (ii) Number of statistical areas (according to the Database of International Statistical Activities classification) related to measuring environment and sustainable development to which ECE makes substantive methodological contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>Baseline 2010-2011: 2 statistical areas Estimate 2012-2013: 3 statistical areas Target 2014-2015: 3 statistical areas</p>
	5. Methodological work in cross-cutting issues of official statistics	<p>EA 5. Updated and newly developed standards, methodologies and practices to enhance international comparability of statistics on cross-cutting issues</p> <p>IA 5. (i) Number of new or revised international statistical standards and recommendations developed with ECE contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 1 Estimate 2012-2013: 1 Target 2014-2015: 1</p> <p>IA 5. (ii) Number of statistical areas (according to the Database of International Statistical Activities classification) related to cross-cutting issues of official statistics to which ECE makes substantive</p>

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		<p>methodological contribution</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>Baseline 2010-2011: 10 statistical areas</p> <p>Estimate 2012-2013: 10 statistical areas</p> <p>Target 2014-2015: 10 statistical areas</p>
<p>EA (c) Improved national capacities to implement international standards in official statistics, including Millennium Development Goals and gender-sensitive indicators, by ECE member States, particularly by those with less advanced statistical systems</p> <p>IA (c) (i) Number of ECE member States which develop and implement national strategies for sustainable development of statistics in line with recommendations of global assessments</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 3 global assessments</p> <p>Estimate 2012-2013: 4 global assessments</p> <p>Target 2014-2015: 4 global assessments</p> <p>IA (c) (ii) Percentage of national experts that express satisfaction with the relevance and quality of ECE advisory services, training courses and workshops</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 75 per cent</p> <p>Estimate 2012-2013: 80 per cent</p> <p>Target 2014-2015: 80 per cent</p>	<p>6. Capacity building to ECE member countries</p>	<p>EA 6. Improved national capacities to implement international standards in official statistics, including Millennium Development Goals and gender-sensitive indicators, by ECE member States, particularly by those with less advanced statistical systems</p> <p>IA 6. (i) Number of ECE member States which develop and implement national strategies for sustainable development of statistics in line with recommendations of global assessments</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 3 member States</p> <p>Estimate 2012-2013: 4 member States</p> <p>Target 2014-2015: 4 member States</p> <p>IA 6. (ii) Percentage of national experts that express satisfaction with the relevance and quality of ECE advisory services, training courses and workshops</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 75 per cent</p> <p>Estimate 2012-2013: 80 per cent</p> <p>Target 2014-2015: 80 per cent</p>
<p>EA (d) Improved availability in the ECE database of reliable, relevant, timely and comparable statistics, including Millennium Development Goals indicators and gender disaggregated data, to support evidence-based policymaking of ECE member States</p> <p>IA (d) (i) Number of statistical data time series</p>	<p>7. ECE Statistical Database</p>	<p>EA 7. Improved availability in the ECE database of reliable, relevant, timely and comparable statistics, including Millennium Development Goals indicators and gender disaggregated data, to support evidence-based policymaking of ECE member States</p>

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<p>available in the ECE database</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 150 time series Estimate 2012-2013: 155 time series Target 2014-2015: 160 time series</p>		<p>IA 7. (i) Number of statistical data time series available in the ECE database</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 150 time series Estimate 2012-2013: 155 time series Target 2014-2015: 160 time series</p>
<p>IA (d) (ii) Percentage of users that express satisfaction with the quality, coverage and timeliness of data contained in the ECE database</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 80 per cent Estimate 2012-2013: 80 per cent Target 2014-2015: 80 per cent</p>		<p>IA 7. (ii) Percentage of users that express satisfaction with the quality, coverage and timeliness of data contained in the ECE database</p> <p><i>Performance measures:</i></p> <p>2010-2011: 80 per cent Estimate 2012-2013: 80 per cent Target 2014-2015: 80 per cent</p>