**Regional workshop on the Exchange of Experiences on the Collection and Dissemination of**

**Road and Railway Transport Statistics**

**Statistics on The Volume of Road Traffic (Vehicle-Kilometer)**

**8- 10 December 2020**

11:00 -15:00 hrs. daily (Beirut Time)

**Provisional Agenda**

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| |  | | --- | | **11:00-11:15** | | |  | | --- | | **Opening Remarks:**  - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA), ***Mr. Juraj Riecan, Cluster Leader Statistics Information Society and Technology – ESCWA***  - Transport Statistics in the Context of Economic Statistics, ***Ms. Wafa Aboul Hosn, Chief, Economic Statistics Section***  - Objectives of the Workshop, ***Ms. Naela Haddad, Statistician, Economic Statistics Section, Project Coordinator on Transport Statistics.*** | |
| **11:15-12:45** | **Session 1: The ESCWA Regional Guideline on the Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic (Vehicle -Kilometer) – A Proposal**  **Facilitator:** |
| 11:15-12:15 | General Overview on the “Regional Guideline on Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic: National Practices Within the ESCWA Region”  ***Mr. Bouazza Bouchkhar, ESCWA*** |
| 12:15-12:45 | Discussion |
| 12:45-13:00 | Break |
| **13:00-15:00** | **Session 2: European Methodological Framework on Volume of Road Traffic**  **Facilitator:** |
| 13:00-13:15 | The EU Methodological Framework to Produce Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic and its Adaptation to Mediterranean Countries in the Context of the MEDSTAT Cooperation Programme”  ***Mr. Thierry Coulet, MEDSTAT Cooperation Programme Expert*** |
| 13:15-13:45 | Discussion |
| 13:45-14:10 | Harmonising Transport Statistics  ***Mr. Alexander Blackburn, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe*** |
| 14:10-14:45 | Discussion |
| **14:45-15:00** | **Wrap Up of Day One and Some Logistics Remarks (workshop’s evaluation questionnaire)** |

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| **11:00-12:10** | **Session 3: Statistics on the Volume of Traffic and Their Importance to SDG Monitoring**  **Facilitator:** |
| 11:00-11:20 | The Macro Indicators Related to Land Transport Volumes of Traffic: Vehicle-Kilometer, Passenger- Kilometer and Ton-Kilometer, and Their Importance in Transport Analysis Relating to the SDGs  ***Mr. Yarob Badr, ESCWA Regional Consultant on Transport*** |
| 11:20-11:40 | Statistics on the volume of road traffic and the SDGs from a European Lens  ***Mr. Alexander Blackburn, Economic Affairs Officer, Economic Commission for Europe*** |
| 11:40-12:10 | Discussion |
| 12:10-12:25 | Break |
| **12:25-13:25** | **Session 4: Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic: Data Sources and Usage**  **Facilitator:** |
| 12:25-12:45 | Road Transport: Comparison between Data Sources  ***Mr. Bouazza Bouchkhar, ESCWA*** |
| 12:45- 13:05 | Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic: Data Usage  ***Mr. Alexander Blackburn, Economic Affairs Officer, Economic Commission for Europe*** |
| 13:05-13:25 | Discussion |
| **13:25-15:00** | **Session 5: Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic: Complementary Data Sources in times of Pandemic and Crisis:**  **Facilitator:** |
| 13:25-13:40 | Tracking Changes in Mobility Patterns Around the World Due to COVID-19 Lockdowns: UNECE’s Ongoing Work on Tracking Mobility Patterns, with a Focus on Road Safety  ***Mr. Alexander Blackburn, Economic Affairs Officer, Economic Commission for Europe*** |
| 13:40-14:00 | Measuring the Economics of a Pandemic: How People Mobility depict Economics? An Evidence of People's Mobility Data towards Economic Activities. TBC  ***Rendra Achyunda Anugrah Putra BPS – Statistics Indonesia & Silvia Arini BPS – Statistics Indonesia*** |
| 14:00-14:15 | Highlights from the Recent Global Online Surveys to monitor the impact of the corona virus crisis of statistics agencies, and to identify new data needs and assistance to NSOs.  **Luis Gerardo Gonzalez Morales, Statistician, Department of Economic and Social Affairs** |
| 14:15-14:30 | An overview of the UNSD brown bags, the global network webinar and what they offer to data officers.  **Alexander Loschky, Statistician, Statistical Capacity Management Section**  **United Nations Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs** |
| **14:30-15:00** | **Discussion and wrap up of Day 2:**  **Challenges Faced by Member Countries and Solutions Adopted in times of Pandemic and Crisis** |

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| **11:00-12:30** | **Session 6: Statistics on the Volume of Traffic: New Technologies and Complementary Data Sources and What They Offer:**  **Facilitator: *Mr. Juraj Riecan, Cluster Leader Statistics Information Society and Technology – ESCWA*** |
| 11:00-11:10 | New Technologies and Complementary Data Sources and What They Offer: An ESCWA Perspective  ***Mr. Juraj Riecan, Cluster Leader Statistics Information Society and Technology – ESCWA*** |
| 11:10- 11:20 | New Land Transport Technologies and What They Offer  **Ms. Nibal Idelbi, Chief of innovation Section, ESCWA** |
| 11:20-11:35 | UN-ESCWA’s Initiatives on Novel Technologies and Data Sources  ***Mr. Mohammad Hossary-ESCWA & Ms. Rim Bahmad-ESCWA*** |
| 11:35-11: 50 | Demonstration of Two Ongoing National Council for Scientific Research (CNRS) – Based Big Data Applications: *i)* Crowd-sourcing from Social Media and *ii)* Deep Learning on Aerial Images.  ***Mr. Ali Ghandour, Associate Researcher, National Council for Scientific Research (CNRS), Lebanon*** |
| 11:50-12:20 | Discussion |
| 12:20-12:35 | Break |
| **12:35-14:00** | **Session 7: Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic: National experiences: Identification of Methods, Challenges and Best Practices:** |
| 12:35-13:45 | Presentations by NSOs, Line Ministries and other Related Entities (Bahrain, Iraq, Lebanon, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia), (10-15 mins each) |
| 13:45- 14:00 | Round Table Discussion |
| **14:00-15:00** | **Closing session: Conclusion and Way Forward:**  **Facilitator:** |
| 14:00-14:15 | The Regional Guideline’s Timeline and Way Forward; |
| 14:15-14:30 | Statistical Capacity Development Needs on Statistics on the Volume of Road Traffic; |
| **14:30-14:50** | **Conclusion and Recommendations** |
| **14:50-15:00** | **Evaluation of the Workshop and Closing Remarks** |