# QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE THEMES OFTHE FIFTH SESSION OF OIC-STATCOM

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1. **Please indicate your priorities for each of the themes below by using a 1-to-7 scale.**

**(1 for the most urgent, 7 for the least urgent).**

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| ThemeNo | Themes Proposed by the Secretariat | Priority |
| 1 | ***Strategic Priorities for National Actions to Transform NSSs to Embrace Post-2015 Development Agenda***The most prominent feature that distinguishes post-2015 development agenda from its predecessors is its focus on robust monitoring and evaluation (M&E) processes at different strata to hold relevant stakeholders accountable for their actions concerning progress. This will, indeed, require a transition from the existing National Statistical Systems (NSS) to modern constructs where the implementation of the post-2015 agenda at the country level is monitored in close orchestration of the National Statistical Offices (NSOs), statistics units of line ministries, and other public and civil entities producing data. This session aims at exploring the capacity levels of OIC member countries to produce the data required by the SDGs; the priority data gaps encountered by OIC member countries and how to close them; and the efficient orchestration mechanisms of the agencies under the NSSs to become modern entities for the production and dissemination of data in the post-2015 period. |  |
| 2 | ***Designing Coherent Statistical Programmes in line with New Policy Demands***International organisations offer a wide range of statistical programmes for the benefit of all the stakeholders of NSSs, especially the NSOs. Due to coordination problems, similar programmes can be offered by different organizations. Given the limited resources available at national and international levels, PARIS21 Consortium was established as a global forum and network geared towards supporting the implementation of well-designed and well-coordinated national and international statistical programmes, which have adequate funding and are centred on implementing NSDSs which both develop statistical capacity and provide data for immediate priority needs. To promote and influence statistical capacity development, this session aims at thinking over new approaches that will further improve coordination of statistical programmes developed by international organisations through assessing the coherence of existing global statistical programmes, taking into account the tentative list of goals, targets and indicators for sustainable development and linking new political agendas and reporting obligations in the post-2015 period. |  |
| 3 | ***Modernisation of NSSs of OIC Member Countries through Innovative Approaches***To design and monitor effective policies, accurate and timely data is highly vital for decision makers. Thanks to the advancements in information and communication s technology (ICT), the demand for and supply of data keep on increasing. This pace of change brings not only opportunities but also challenges for official statisticians in terms of modernisation of the current environment. This session aims at exploring the ways of harnessing the innovative and transformational power of ICT for official statistics in OIC member countries and establishing a consistent set of principles and standards in modernising NSSs of OIC member countries.  |  |
| 4 | ***Monitoring and Evaluation Systems (Peer Assessment) for Official Statistics towards a More Efficiently Functioning National Statistical System***Evaluation is about assessment and making inductions on activities under concern by benefiting from the quantitative or qualitative data produced during monitoring which is an essential part of good project management. As the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) processes require a sound statistical infrastructure, the inclusion of the stakeholders of the NSS into the M&E process is needed. This session aims at sharing the M&E practices of NSOs of OIC countries such as light peer assessments (LPRs) and adapted global assessments (AGAs). The international organisations active in M&E of NSOs are also expected to introduce their approach on this matter. |  |
| 5 | ***The Role of NSOs for Ensuring Sustainable Energy Development: Energy Indicators for Sustainable Development***Energy is the golden thread that connects economic growth, increased social equity, and an environment that allows the world to thrive. At a time when 1.2 billion people worldwide lack access to electricity, when 2.8 billion people do not have clean and safe cooking facilities, and when a shift to sustainable energy use is imperative to protect the planet’s climate, a worldwide effort is required to achieve sustainable energy for all. In this regard, UN General Assembly declared 2014-2024 as the *Decade of Sustainable Energy for All*, underscoring the importance of energy issues for sustainable development and for the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda. This session will give the opportunity to the OIC member countries to share their current practices regarding the collection, compilation and dissemination of energy statistics within the framework of Energy Statistics Compilers Manual which intended to provide practical guidance in the implementation of the recommendations and the forthcoming System of Environmental-Economic Accounting for Energy (SEEA-Energy). |  |
| 6 | ***The Importance of Education, Science, Technology, and Innovation Statistics for Achieving Knowledge-Based Economies***Today, there is severe competition among countries to become the most competitive and knowledge-based economy in the world. Gaining a comparative advantage against other countries, which is of particular importance to the OIC member countries in catching-up within this competitive world of knowledge economy, depends on how well they perform in research activities. This session aims at the ways and means of expanding data quantity and improving data quality regarding education, science, technology and innovation infrastructures to achieve knowledge economies in OIC. |  |
| 7 | ***Effective Usage of Alternative Channels in Communicating Official Statistics: Strategies and Policies Adopted and Their Implementation***A growing number of NSOs use strategic communication channels to ensure that the stakeholders are aware of what NSOs have already achieved, and what they are currently planning. Against this background, effective communications should be based on a formal approach which comprises both traditional and modern channels. As one of the significant stakeholders of NSOs is the media workers, the true perception of statistics by them is the key to correctly informing people. In this sense, developing statistical awareness and outreach programmes can alleviate misunderstandings between the data producers and users. In addition to the traditional methods, NSOs should also take advantage of new social media tools to reach people. In this regard, the goal of this session is to contemplate on the opportunities gained and the challenges faced by NSOs in the digital age to design their communication toolkits for convey information to both internal and external stakeholders in an accurate, effective, efficient and comprehensive manner. |  |

1. **Please specify proposals of your institution for other themes (with a short explanation) for the Fifth Session of OIC-StatCom in the order of priority. You can use as much space as needed.**

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**Thank you for completing the questionnaire!**

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