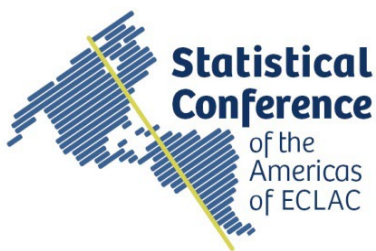




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AGREEMENTS

The Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), at its twenty-first meeting, held in hybrid format on 24 and 25 August 2022,

1. *Thanks* the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean for their presentations on experiences in recently conducted population and housing censuses and the outlook from countries that are about to conduct them;
2. *Urges* the countries to continue implementing the 2020 round of population and housing censuses, taking into account the lessons learned from recent experiences as well as relevant international recommendations and standards to support the production of indicators and statistics that are essential for decision-making;
3. *Notes* the holding of the seminar *Beyond GDP: statistical challenges of measuring development* and the presentations given on updating the System of National Accounts and identifying complementary indicators for measuring development on issues such as gender gaps and different manifestations of inequalities, unpaid work and the relationship with the environment and its ecosystems, among others;
4. *Recognizes* that the production of multi-domain statistics such as environmental statistics, climate change statistics and statistics on disaster risk require close coordination between national statistical offices and the ministries and institutions responsible for these issues;
5. *Takes note* of the *First report on the implementation of the biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2022-2023, of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean*;¹

¹ LC/CE.21/3.

6. *Endorses* the Institutional and methodological recommendations for the measurement of disaster-related Sustainable Development Goal indicators and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction² and urges the countries of the region to use them as a reference to strengthen the generation of disaster-related statistics;

7. *Expresses its satisfaction* with the successful preparation of the outputs produced by the working group to prepare an assessment of the capacities of statistical systems to measure international migration, which include “ Priority initiatives, methodological resources and dissemination platforms in Latin America and the Caribbean relating to international migration”,³ “Assessment of national capacity for the production of data on international migration. Regional report by the member countries of the working group on migration”,⁴ “Methodology for building an international migration statistics register”⁵ and “Methodological recommendations for the inclusion of information on the international migrant population in the calibration of expansion factors in household surveys: case study of the National Employment Survey in Chile”;⁶

8. *Thanks* the secretariat for the editing of the Spanish and translation into English of the complete versions of the methodological documents endorsed at the eleventh meeting of the Conference and the twenty-first meeting of the Executive Committee, in particular the “Methodological guide on time-use measurements in Latin America and the Caribbean”, the “Methodological document on statistical use of economic administrative records”, the “Framework of reference for security and criminal justice statistical systems in Latin America and the Caribbean”, and the “Guide for the implementation of a quality assurance framework for statistical processes and outputs”;

9. *Expresses its satisfaction* with the progress achieved by the working groups of the Statistical Conference of the Americas in carrying out the activities planned for the biennium and urges them to continue their work in order to complete the agreed outputs by the next meeting of the Conference;

10. *Appreciates* the efforts made by the working groups to mainstream the gender perspective into their work, seeking to contribute to gender equality, the elimination of stereotypes and policymaking by integrating the gender perspective in the production, analysis and use of statistical information, and encourages them to intensify these efforts in line with the recommendations shared by the advisory group on gender mainstreaming;

11. *Welcomes* the creation of virtual communities under the Knowledge Transfer Network on the themes of population censuses and the Sustainable Development Goals and invites countries to actively participate in these initiatives intended to encourage dialogue and the sharing of experiences on issues of importance for the countries of the region;

12. *Takes note* of the *Report on the activities of the Statistical Coordination Group for the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean*,⁷ welcomes the progress in the development of an information system for the continuous update of the inventory of national capacities to produce the indicators of the Sustainable Development Goal global indicator framework, and invites countries to coordinate with the secretariat the action needed to implement them;

² LC/CEA.11/20.

³ LC/CE.21/DDR/1.

⁴ LC/CE.21/DDR/2/Rev.1.

⁵ LC/CE.21/DDR/3.

⁶ LC/CE.21/DDR/4.

⁷ LC/CE.21/4.

13. *Also takes note* of the document “Breaking the statistical silence to achieve gender equality by 2030”⁸ and welcomes it as a combined contribution of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and the Statistical Conference of the Americas towards strengthening the production of information on gender inequalities and supporting the implementation of the Montevideo Strategy for Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030;

14. *Expresses its satisfaction* at the progress made in the implementation of the 2021 round of the International Comparison Programme in the region and urges countries to continue to address information needs and to move forward in incorporating the tasks related to the Programme in the regular work plans of statistical institutions, applying relevant international recommendations and standards and taking into account the importance of its results in the production of indicators and statistics that are essential for decision-making;

15. *Requests* that, at the thirty-ninth session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to be held in Buenos Aires from 24 to 26 October 2022, the Chair report on the main activities undertaken by the Statistical Conference of the Americas.

⁸ LC/MDM-E.2022/3.