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# WORKING GROUP

# Manual on the Design of Crime and Criminal Justice Statistical Systems

**Progress report**

# Background and objectives

- **Background**

Due to the recent adoption of various international standards on crime and justice statistics, updated operational guidelines for the design and management of these statistical systems are required . Particularly so within the context of legal reforms to the region's criminal justice systems and judicial processes.

- **Main objective**

To develop a manual to guide national efforts to generate crime and criminal justice statistical information in the region, with the aim of improving management capacities for statistical projects to measure crime and for the collection of administrative records.

- **Specific objectives**

- To develop methodological guidelines for structuring, organizing and strengthening these systems.
- To generate tools that support statistical capacity building on the implementation of the ICCS in administrative records, and for the design of victimization surveys.
- To contribute to the generation of statistical information to monitor indicators associated with Objective 16 of the 2030 Agenda.

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# Próximos pasos

- Follow-up virtual meetings of the Working Group (next meeting - September 2020)
- Identification of good practices within the region.
- Bilateral information gathering calls.
- Drafting of the first draft of the Manual for internal distribution and feedback.