

United Nations Network of Economic Statisticians

Second Beyond GDP Sprint Meeting

Distributional and Wellbeing Initiatives associated with the Update of the System of National Accounts

24 March 2022, 7:00 am to 10:00 am (New York time) | United Nations, Virtual Meeting
Chair, Erich Strassner, United States

Agenda

- 7:00 am–7:05 am: **Session 1 | Introduction, welcome remarks, and scene-setting**
Stefan Schweinfest, Director of United Nations Statistics Division
Erich Strassner, Associate Director, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- 7:05 am–7:30 am: **Session 2 | System of National Accounts Update and Broader Framework for Sustainability and Wellbeing**
This session overviews the SNA update, with a particular focus on Sustainability and Wellbeing.
Presentation by Peter van de Ven, Lead Editor SNA Update
- 7:30 am–7:55 am: **Session 3 | OECD-Eurostat Expert Group on Disparities in National Accounts**
This session overviews the work carried out by the expert group on distributional national accounts, offering reflections on the initiative, best practices, successful strategies, challenges, and opportunities for the future, etc.
Presentation by Jorrit Zwijnenburg, OECD
- 7:55 am–8:20 am: **Session 4 | ECB Expert Group on Distributional Financial Accounts**
This session overviews the work carried out by the expert group on distributional financial/wealth accounts, offering reflections on the initiative, best practices, successful strategies, challenges, and opportunities for the future, etc.
Presentation by Pierre Sola, European Central Bank
- 8:20 am–8:30 am: *Break*
- 8:30 am–8:55 am: **Session 5 | Distributions of Personal Income for the United States**
The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis will overview its distributional accounts.
Presentation by Marina Gindelsky, United States

8:55 am–9:20 am: **Session 6 | Distributional National Accounts for Costa Rica**

The Central Bank of Costa Rica will overview its distributional accounts initiative.

Presentation by Gabriela Saborío Muñoz & Henry Vargas Campos,
Costa Rica

9:20 am–9:45 am: **Session 7 | Measuring Market Inequality and Redistribution Accounting**

The National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies (INSEE) of France will overview Market Inequality and Redistribution Accounting for In-kind benefits from Health and Education.

Presentation by Jean-Marc Germain, France

9:45 am -10 am **Session 8 | Consolidating discussion, next steps, and closing remarks**

This session will deliver an opportunity to briefly synthesize the conversation and identify common themes and proposed next steps

- Are there common opportunities and challenges across the different types of distributional initiatives?
- What should we prioritise in any future work on distributional accounts?

10:00 am: *Adjourn*