The Republic of Korea acknowledges the need for cross-sectional progress measures beyond GDP. Doing so requires the national statistical offices to keep developing new and necessary statistics including well-being indicators that can be monitored continually.

Since 2014, Statistics Korea has been providing the National Quality of Life Indicators aiming to measure the progress of well-being in Korea.

These include both objective and subjective indicators which are approved national statistics in relevant areas.

Currently, we are preparing for the disaggregation of these indicators by population group and sub-national region, whereby we aim to increase their relevance to policies.

The exchange of good practices and experiences within the region will provide useful benchmarks for progress measures and allows for a more systematic approach.

To this end, best practice cases should be able to illustrate not only compilation process and results but also their practical applications for policy uses.

Statistics Korea will be actively sharing its practices and lessons learned from its experience in developing the National Quality of Life Indicators as needed.