Leaving no one and nowhere behind

The needs for data to track sustainable development are many and varied. Producing official statistics starts and ends with meeting those needs. Statisticians not only have the challenge to provide data but also help users - often non-statisticians - to understand the methods, strengths, and limitations of statistics.

The Sustainable Development Goals have provided a common framework to align user needs and be aspirational in our measures of development. We need innovative methods to match those needs, taking advantage of new technologies and approaches to integrate data sources and maximise investments in data.

In this session, we have six excellent papers from Fiji, Indonesia, Pakistan, Myanmar, the academic community, and from the UNODC-KOSTAT Centre of Excellence in Crime Statistics. Authors will present their work, setting the scene for a discussion on:

1. Tips for being responsive to the needs arising from the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
2. How investments in national statistical systems match the requirements for meeting data needs
3. Innovative approaches for meeting demand and needs of users

Where else can you hear about six innovations in modern official statistics, all aiming to meet user needs in new ways? Join us for lively and interesting discussion. It will be also a good chance to reflect on how the SDGs are impacting on changes in measuring development and where opportunities might lie in the future.