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## INTRODUCTION TO THE PROGRAMME

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2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Seminar on the SNA Update Programme (Online)

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# Outline

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# Purpose of the Seminar

- The purpose of the seminar is to provide a forum for all African countries to be engaged and participate directly in the global SNA update programme by discussing and commenting on the guidance notes (GNs) and
- to foster their participation in the recommendations feasibility assessment and subsequent experimental estimates (AEE).



# Objectives of the Seminar

- To develop a good understanding of the GNs in each of the thematic topics: globalization, digitization, wellbeing and sustainability, and the informal economy.
- To collect comments, suggestions, and recommendations for changes to GNs based on country and continent-specific experience and challenges; *and*
- To identify pilot countries based on interest and feasibility for the implementation component of the SNA update process.



# Programme (1 of 2)

Time	Session	Topics	Speaker	Moderator
2:00 - 2:15	Opening Sessions	Opening and welcome remarks made by UNSD and ECA	UNSD, ECA	ECA
2:15 - 2:30		Introduction and adoption of the Programme of this Workshop	ECA	ECA
2:30 - 3:00	Session 1: Globalization	Valuation of Imports and Exports	Michael Connolly - GZTT	ECA
3:00 - 3:15		Open floor discussion		UNSD
3:15 - 3:45	<i>Break</i>			
3:45 - 4:15	Session 2: Digitalization	Digital SUTs	John Mitchell - DZTT	ECA
4:15 - 5:00		Open floor discussion		UNSD

# Programme (2 of 2)

Time	Session	Topics	Speaker	Moderator
2:00 - 2:30	Session 3: Wellbeing and Sustainability	Labor, Human Capital, and Education	Michael Smedes - WSTT	ECA
2:30 - 2:45		Open floor discussion		UNSD
2:45 - 3:15	Session 4: Informal Economy	Statistical Framework of the Informal Economy	Herman Smith – IETT	ECA
3:15 - 3:45		<i>Break</i>		
3:45 - 4:15		Open floor discussion		UNSD
4:15 - 4:50	Session 5: SNA Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Report on the status of the GNs and the Experimental Estimates component</li> </ul>	Michael Stanger – UNSD	ECA
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Compiling city GDP in Africa</li> </ul>	Abbi Kedir - ECA	
4:50 - 5:00	Closing Session	Wrap-up and closing remarks made by UNSD and ECA	UNSD, ECA	ECA

# Organization of the Seminar

- The Seminar is conducted in English and French with professional simultaneous interpretation services
- All presentation slides are in both English and French and to be found in the seminar website: <https://ecastats.uneca.org/khub/en-us/SecondSNAupdates2021>
- On-line registration to participate in the meeting can be made by using the hyperlink provided below: <https://events.uneca.org/registration/register?eventId=a90ed4cb-ce37-ec11-80fa-0050569360fe>



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