



## CRVS Insight

### February 2024 (2)

**Friday 1 March 2024**  
13:15 - 14:30 (New York time)

55th UNSC Side event (In-Person and Online)  
**Towards achieving target 16.9 and legal identity for all – how far have we come and what's next?**

Labourers Hall, UNICEF House, New York  
Join us online (via MS Team)

**Co-Chairs:** **Carla Casca** (UNICEF) and **Christina M. M. M. M.**

**Co-Moderator:** **Priscilla Kishi** (UNICEF)

**Speakers:** **Carla Casca** (UNICEF), **Christina M. M. M. M.**, **DANE**, **M. M. M. M. M.**

**Registration:** [www.un.org/development/desa/destat](#)

**Website:** [www.un.org/development/desa/destat](#)

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### Towards Achieving Target 16.9 and Legal Identity for All – How Far Have We Come and What's Next?

You are cordially invited to join the Side Event of the 55th session of the UN Statistical Commission on "Towards achieving target 16.9 and legal identity for all – how far have we come and what's next?".

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development established a specific target within the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) - Target 16.9 — legal identity for all as well as 17.19 on birth and death registration completeness. As everyone has the right to be recognized as a person before the law, civil registration has been the fundamental means of granting legal identity and provided official record of the existence of the person.

An inclusive civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) system helps to ensure no one is left behind, protects human rights, empowers individuals, and promotes sustainable

development. Although significant progress has been made throughout the world, universal registration of vital events is yet to be achieved.

The event will provide examples of country progress under the African CRVS Decade and the Asia and the Pacific CRVS Decade (2015-2024) as well as examples from Latin America.

Time: [Friday 1 March 2024, 13:15-14.30 \(EST\)](#)

Registration: [MS Form](#)

Meeting link: [MS Team](#)

Organisers: ESCAP, ECA, UNICEF, UNFPA, Vital Strategies, and UNDP under the umbrella of the UN Legal Identity Agenda

Concept note: [UNSC website](#)

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The graphic is a blue-themed invitation for a webinar. At the top, it reads 'VERBAL AUTOPSIES TO DETERMINE CAUSES OF DEATH AMONGST ADULTS IN COUNTRIES WHERE VITAL STATISTICS ARE LACKING'. Below this, the date and time are 'Thursday 7 March 2024, 10:00 - 11:00 am (GMT), Online' with a link to verify the time. A QR code is on the left, with a 'Register for invitation' link below it. The central text explains the importance of understanding causes of death and the webinar's focus on verbal autopsies. On the right, under 'Speakers', are Ariane Sessago and Moinuddin Haider. At the bottom right, under 'Moderator', is Ashira Mensha-Oren. The ESCAP logo is in the bottom left corner.

### **Verbal Autopsies to Determine Causes of Death Amongst Adults in Countries Where Vital Statistics are Lacking**

Measuring Adult Mortality Community of Practice (MAM-CoP) is organising a webinar on “**Verbal autopsies to determine causes of death amongst adults in countries where vital statistics are lacking**”.

Understanding causes of death around the world, how this may vary from place to place, or over time, is critical for gauging the global burden of disease and to inform public health policies. Despite a high proportion of premature adult deaths in low-and middle-income countries, little is known about causes of death in these countries, where vital registration systems are weak. This webinar will examine the use of verbal autopsies as a central tool in

determining causes of death amongst adults, including where verbal autopsies are most valuable, or where they face limitations.

Time: [Thursday 7 March 2024, 10:00 - 11:00 am \(GMT/UTC\)](#)

Registration: [MS Form](#)

Community online platform: [Measuring Adult Mortality Community of Practice](#)

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