

## Draft programme table

Date: 15 November 2021

Time	Session	Programme
<b>Senior officials segment 16 November</b>		
09:30-10:00 KUDO Test-Run		
10:00-10:45	1. <b>Opening of Conference</b>  <i>KUDO, YouTube</i>	<p>Welcome Statement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of <b>ESCAP</b>, Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana</li> </ul> <p>Opening statements from other speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Kamni Naidu, Administrator General, Ministry of Justice, <b>Fiji</b>, and Chair of the Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific</li> <li>➤ Ms. Debora Comini, Director of East Asia and Pacific Regional Office, <b>UNICEF</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Indrika Ratwatte, Director of the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific, <b>UNHCR</b></li> </ul> <p>Election of officers for the senior officials segment.</p> <p>Chair of the senior officials' segment of the Conference: Acceptance remarks and overseas adoption of agenda</p>
10:45-12:00	2. Review of the <b>progress</b> and existing challenges in accelerating the implementation of the Regional Action Framework on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific  <i>KUDO, YouTube</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Kamni Naidu, Administrator General, Ministry of Justice, <b>Fiji</b>, and Chair of the Regional Steering Group</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Guest Speakers:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Philip Setel, Director, CRVS Improvement, <b>Vital Strategies</b> (review of partners' support on behalf of the co-organizers)</li> <li>➤ Mr. Mohammed Shahidul Islam, Deputy Secretary of Cabinet Division, <b>Bangladesh</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Jeff Montgomery, Registrar General -Births, Deaths and Marriages, Department of Internal Affairs, <b>New Zealand</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Gogita Todoradze, Executive Director of the National Statistics Office, <b>Georgia</b> and Chair of ESCAP Committee on Statistics</li> <li>➤ Dr. Rajesh Dikshit, Director, Centre for Cancer Epidemiology, Tata Memorial Centre, <b>India</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Muhammad Cholifihani, Director of Population Planning and Social Protection, Ministry of National Development Planning, <b>Indonesia</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Nazaria Baharudin, Deputy Chief Statistician, Department of Statistics, <b>Malaysia</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Statements from countries and partners. (1h40)</li> </ol>
12:00-12:45 Break		
12:45-13:30	Side-event: Deep dive on progress made during the first half of the Decade	<p>Moderator: Ms. Rachael Beaven, Director, Statistics Division, <b>ESCAP</b></p> <p>Speakers/panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Ani Mkhitarian, Advisor to the minister of Justice, <b>Armenia</b></li> </ul>

	<b>Microsoft Teams</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Andy Calo, Director, Department of Civil Registry and Vital Statistics, <b>Vanuatu</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Sausan Shareef, Advocate – Project Management, <b>Maldives</b></li> </ul>
13:30-14:00 Break		
14:00-16:00	2. Review of <b>progress</b> (contd.)  <b>KUDO, YouTube</b>	Contd. (see above)

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<b>Senior officials segment 17 November</b>		
08:45-09:30	<b>Warm-up session:</b> Health sector and civil registration and vital statistics  <b>Microsoft Teams</b>	Moderator: Dr Azza Badr, Technical Officer, Surveys, CRVS and Health Service Data, <b>WHO</b>  Speakers/panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Dr Eman Abdelkreem Aly, Technical Officer, Information Systems for Health, <b>WHO EMRO</b></li> <li>➤ Dr Karapet Davtyan, Technical Officer, Data, Metrics and Analytics, <b>WHO EURO</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Manoj Jhalani, Director, Health System Development, <b>WHO SEARO</b></li> <li>➤ Dr Duan Mengjuan, Technical Officer, Health Information Systems, <b>WHO WPRO</b></li> <li>➤ Dr Mwenya Kasonde, Consultant, Health Data Collaborative Secretariat, <b>WHO</b></li> </ul>
09:30-10:00 KUDO Test-run		
10:00-12:00	3. The potential of the <b>health</b> sector to catalyse accelerated improvement in civil registration and vital statistics systems and the role of civil registration and vital statistics in the response to and recovery from the coronavirus disease pandemic  <b>KUDO, YouTube</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Dr Steve Mac Feely, Director, Data, Metrics and Analytics, <b>WHO</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Guest Speakers:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Ardeshir Khosravi, Director, Group for Health Statistics, Ministry of Health and Medical Education, <b>Iran</b></li> <li>➤ Mr. Seniloli Kimbu 'Inoke, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Ministry of Justice and Prisons, <b>Tonga</b></li> <li>➤ Dr. Dzhangaziev Bakyt, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health and Social Development, <b>Kyrgyzstan</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Sandhya Singh, Deputy Registrar General, <b>India</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Jana Shih, Technical Advisor, <b>Vital Strategies</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 1 hour 20 minutes for statements.</li> </ol>
12:00-12:45 Break		
12:45-13:30	<b>Warm-up session:</b> Civil registration and vital statistics as an accelerator for the Sustainable Development Goals  <b>Zoom</b>	Moderator: <b>UNHCR</b>  Speakers/panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Terry Ferrari, Regional Leader for East Asia, <b>World Vision</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Boontharika, Thailand, Representative of <b>Children and Youth</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Sohana, <b>Pakistan</b>, Representative of <b>Children and Youth</b></li> <li>➤ Atty. Alexander Elias, City Civil Registrar's Office of Zamboanga, <b>Philippines</b></li> <li>➤ State Counsel Melvin Suarez, Refugees and Stateless Persons Protection Unit, Department of Justices, <b>the Philippines</b></li> </ul>
13:30-14:00 Break		

14:00-16:00	<p>4. Civil registration and vital statistics as an accelerator for implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and ensuring <b>no one is left behind</b> (+ youth and children and civil society statement)</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<p>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Terry Ferrari, Regional Leader for East Asia, <b>World Vision</b></li> </ul> <p>2. Guest Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Alamgir Kabir, Representative of the <b>Children and Youth</b></li> <li>➤ Pre-recorded statement of children and youth participants of country consultations and regional forum</li> <li>➤ Ms. Amihan V Abueva, Regional Executive Director, CRC Asia (to deliver the joint statement of CSOs)</li> <li>➤ Dr. Ha Thi Minh Duc, Deputy Director-General of International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Labour – Invalids and Social Affairs, and ACWC Representative on Children’s Rights, <b>Viet Nam</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Dingaliyeva Marzhan Esenzhanovna, Head of Unit on Methodological Provision and Control for Registration and Apostille of Civil Acts, Department of Registration Service and Organization of Legal Services, Ministry of Justice, <b>Kazakhstan</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Tiensi Kauga, Registrar General, Ministry of Justice, <b>Kiribati</b></li> </ul> <p>3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 1 hour 20 minutes for statements.</p>
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<b>Senior officials segment</b>		
<b>18 November</b>		
08:45-09:30	<p><b>Warm-up session:</b> Connecting Vital Events Registration and Gender Equality</p> <p><i>Microsoft Teams</i></p>	<p>Moderator: Ms. Sarah Knibbs, Officer-in-Charge, <b>UN Women Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</b></p> <p>Speakers/panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Positioning CRVS to accelerate progress towards Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment, Romesh Silva, Technical Specialist – Health and Social Inequalities, Population and Development Branch, Technical Division, <b>UNFPA</b></li> <li>➤ Gender-Sensitive Response to Crises using CRVS: A Punjab Case Study, Shagufta Zareen, Programme Director, Policy and Strategic Planning Unit, Health Department of Punjab, <b>Pakistan</b></li> <li>➤ The Generation Equality Forums: Opportunities for Alliances between Vital Statistics and Gender Equality, Sivananthi Thanenthiran, Asia Pacific Research and Resource Center for Women (<b>ARROW</b>), Malaysia</li> </ul>
09:30-10:00 KUDO Test-run		
10:00-11:00	<p>5. <b>Vital statistics</b> production, dissemination and usage: harnessing civil registration data for decision-making.</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<p>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers (Secretariat or RSG member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Romesh Silva, Technical Specialist – Health and Social Inequalities, Population and Development Branch, Technical Division, UNFPA</li> </ul> <p>2. Guest Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Nuraimy Syrgak kyzy, Independent Researcher, <b>Kyrgyzstan</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Thirakha Chanthalanouvong, Director General of Social Statistics Department, Lao Statistics Bureau, <b>Lao PDR</b></li> </ul>

		3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 40 minutes for statements.
11:00-12:00	6. Implementing <b>gender-sensitive</b> civil registration and vital statistics systems through a life cycle approach  <i>KUDO, YouTube</i>	1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers. ➤ Ms. Sarah Knibbs, Officer-in-Charge, <b>UN Women Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</b>  2. Guest Speaker: ➤ Ms. Sophie Shugg, Senior Advisor, Child Protection and Legal Identity System, <b>Plan International</b>  3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 40 minutes hour for statements.
12:00-12:45 Break		
12:45-13:30	<b>Warm-up session:</b> Legal identity  <i>Microsoft Teams</i>	Moderator: Mr. Niall McCann, UNDP  Speakers/panellists: ➤ Mr. Azizbek Ashurov, Director and founding member of Ferghana Valley Lawyers without Borders, <b>Kyrgyzstan</b> ➤ Ms. Nikita Gurung, Forum for Women, Law and Development, <b>Nepal</b>
13:30-14:00 Break		
14:00-15:45	7. The relationship between civil registration, identity management and vital statistics, and their role in ensuring <b>legal identity</b> in Asia and the Pacific  <i>KUDO, YouTube</i>	1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers. ➤ Ms. Rachael Beaven, Director, Statistics Division, <b>ESCAP</b>  2. Guest Speakers: ➤ Ms. Muhammad Tariq Malik, Chair, National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA), <b>Pakistan</b> ➤ Mr. Andy Calo, Director, Department of Civil Registry and Vital Statistics, <b>Vanuatu</b> ➤ Mr. Jonathan Marskell, Senior Programme Officer, <b>World Bank</b>  3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 1 hour 20 minutes for statements.
15:45-16:00	8. <b>Other matters</b>  <i>KUDO, YouTube</i>	

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<b>Ministerial Segment 19 November</b>		
08:30-09:30	<b>Ministerial roundtable:</b> Pandemics, people and preparedness: civil registration and vital statistics, COVID-19 and health  <i>Microsoft Teams</i>	Opening remarks: Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, Executive Secretary, UNESCAP  Moderator: Mr. Philip Setel, Vital Strategies  Suggested speakers/panellists: ➤ H.E. DR. Sanong Thongsana, Deputy Minister of Health, <b>Lao PDR</b> ➤ H.E. DR. Keunkwan Ryu, Commissioner of Statistics Korea, <b>Republic of Korea</b>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ H.E. DR. Dennis Mapa, Undersecretary, National Statistician and Civil Registrar, Philippine Statistics Authority, <b>Philippines</b></li> <li>➤ Honourable DR. Ifereimi Waqainabete, Minister, Ministry of Health and Medical Services, <b>Fiji</b></li> <li>➤ H.E. DR. Pungky Sumadi, Deputy for Population and Manpower of BAPPENAS, <b>Indonesia</b></li> </ul> <p>Format: Ministerial roundtable</p>
09:30-10:00 KUDO Test-run		
10:00-10:45	<p>9. <b>Opening of the ministerial segment</b></p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<p>Opening remarks: Deputy Secretary-General, Ms Amina J. Mohammed</p> <p>Opening statements from other speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of <b>ESCAP</b>, Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana</li> <li>➤ Pol.Lt.Genl Nadhapit Snidvongs, Vice Minister of Interior, <b>Thailand</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Mikiko Otani, Chairperson of the <b>Committee on the Rights of the Child</b></li> <li>➤ Ms. Gillian Triggs, Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, <b>UNHCR</b></li> </ul> <p>Election of officers for the ministerial segment.</p> <p>Chair of the Ministerial Conference: Acceptance remarks and oversees adoption of agenda</p>
10:45-12:00	<p>10. Towards a shared vision of <b>universal and responsive civil registration and vital statistics systems</b> that facilitate the realization of rights and support good governance, health and development</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, <b>ESCAP</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Guest Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Michael Bloomberg, Founder, <b>Bloomberg Philanthropies</b></li> <li>➤ Dr. Samira Asma, Assistant Director-General, <b>WHO</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 1 hour for statements.</li> </ol>
12:00-12:45 Break		
12:30-13:30	<p><b>Ministerial roundtable:</b> Building resilient civil registration and vital statistics systems – incorporating lessons from COVID-19 in the second half of the Asia-Pacific CRVS Decade</p> <p><i>Microsoft Teams</i></p>	<p>Opening remarks: Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, Executive Secretary, UNESCAP</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Harpinder Collacott, Executive Director, Development Initiatives</p> <p>Suggested speakers/panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ H.E. Mr. Khandker Anwarul Islam, Cabinet Secretary, <b>Bangladesh</b></li> <li>➤ H.E. Mr. Thongchanh Manixay, Minister of Home Affairs, <b>Lao PDR</b></li> <li>➤ Honourable Leota Lamositele Laki Sio, Minister of Women, Community and Development, <b>Samoa</b></li> <li>➤ Honourable Ms. Saifya Mohamed, Deputy Minister of Health, <b>Maldives</b></li> <li>➤ Samdech Krolahom Sar Kheng, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, <b>Cambodia</b></li> </ul> <p>Format: Ministerial roundtable</p>
13:30-14:00 Break		

14:00-15:20	<p>11. The importance of civil registration and vital statistics and <b>legal identity for all</b> to accelerate progress on the 2030 Agenda</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of the agenda and summary of findings of background papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Debora Comini, <b>UNICEF</b> Regional Director for East Asia Pacific on behalf of the of UN Legal Identity Agenda Task Force: presentation of background paper</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Statements from countries and partners. Depending on length of the session, around 1 hour for statements.</li> </ol>
15:20-15:25	<p>12. <b>Other</b> matters</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	
15:25-15:45	<p>13. Adoption of the <b>ministerial declaration</b></p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation of the draft ministerial declaration by the Chair of the online consultations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. Suzilah Mohd Sidek, Deputy Chief of Mission and Permanent Representative of <b>Malaysia</b> to ESCAP</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
15:45-16:00	<p>14. Adoption of the <b>report</b> of the Conference</p> <p><i>KUDO, YouTube</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation of the report by the Chair or one of the Vice-Chairs</li> </ol>