Since the beginning of the Asia-Pacific CRVS Decade in 2015, multiple countries in the region have embarked on using civil registration records for the production of vital statistics reports, which is one of the targets of the Regional Action Framework on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific.

To support countries in this endeavour, ESCAP and other partners have been providing technical assistance and developed tools facilitating the calculation, analysis and presentation of vital statistics, including the revision of the Guide for the Production of a Vital Statistics Report released in December 2020. Nevertheless, at least 17 countries in the region have yet to use civil registration records for producing vital statistics.

This Stats Café session will bring together three countries which recently developed a vital statistics report to discuss their experiences.

Their presentations will focus on the prerequisites to use registration records for vital statistics, the challenges they faced developing their vital statistics report, and their plans for the improvement of vital statistics.

Programme

Welcome remarks and introduction of the speakers by David Rausis, Associate Statistician, Statistics Division, ESCAP

Status of vital statistics in Asia and the Pacific and presentation of the revised Guide for the Production of a Vital Statistics Report by Ulysse Boiteau Montéville, Consultant, ESCAP

Country experiences by
- Phuntsho Dorji, National Statistics Bureau, Bhutan
- Shorena Tsiklauri, National Statistics Office of Georgia
- Meli Nadakuca, Fiji Bureau of Statistics

Questions and Answers