Workshop

**“Strengthening the Environmental Dimension of the SDGs:**

**Guyana’s Green State Development Strategy: Vision 2040”**

*Enhancing Environmental Statistics for Measurement and Evaluation: Implementing Guyana’s Green State Development Strategy: Vision 2040*

Date: 6th - 8th August 2019 Venue: Roraima Duke Lodge, 94-95 Duke St. Kingston. Georgetown

**Workshop Agenda**

| **Time** | **Discussion Item** | **Speakers** |
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| **Day 1: August 6th 2019** | | |
| *8:30 am – 9:00 am* | *Registration of Participants* | |
| **Session 1: Welcome and Overview of Objectives** | | |
| 9:00 am – 9:10 am | Welcome and Opening Remarks | Ms. Ndibi Schwiers, Director, Department of Environment, Ministry of the Presidency, and Country Partner |
| 9:10 am - 9:25 am | National Statistics: Its relevance to evidence-based decision-making and international reporting | Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance |
| 9:25 am – 09:40 am | Building Guyana’s science-policy interface: A Regional Perspective | Mr. Francesco Gaetani, Coordinator Environment Under Review, United Nations Environment Programme (ROLAC – Panama) |
| 9:40am – 10:00am | Role of the UN system in supporting Guyana’s achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development | Ms. Mikiko Tanaka - UN Resident Coordinator; Guyana |
| *10:00am – 10:15 am* | *Coffee Break* | |
| **10:15am – 10:20am** | **Instant Poll** | |
| **Session 2: Fundamental Principles of Official National Statistics** | | |
| 10:20am – 12:30pm | Workshop Overview (Objectives and approach)  Creating a Statistical Roadmap for Guyana – What is needed and how to get there | Mr. Robert Smith Principal, Midsummer Analytics |
| Presentation and Q&A UN Fundamental Principles of Official National Statistics |
| *12:30pm – 1:30pm* | *Lunch* | |
| 1:30pm - 2:30pm | Small group discussions Guyana and the UN Fundamental Principles | Mr. Robert Smith assisted by Group moderators and rapporteurs |
| **Session 3: UN Framework for the Development of Environment Statistics** | | |
| 2:30pm – 3:30pm | Presentation and Q&A | Mr. Robert Smith |
| UN Framework for the Development of Environment Statistics (FDES) |
| *3:30pm – 3:45pm* | *Coffee Break* | |
| 3:45pm – 4:30pm | UN Environment Statistics Self-assessment Tool (ESSAT) | Mr. Robert Smith |
| 4:30pm – 4:45pm | Wrap-up & Summary of the day and brief introduction to Day 2 |

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| **Day 2: August 7th 2019** | | |
| 9:00am – 9:15am | Review of Day 1  Overview of Day 2 and follow up on any outstanding points from Day 1 | Mr. Robert Smith |
| **Session 4: Building Guyana’s Roadmap for Environmental Statistics** | | |
| 9:15am – 9:45am | Presentation and Q&A  Working Group on Environmental Indicators in the Framework of Latin America and Caribbean Initiative for Sustainable Development (ILAC) | Mr. Francesco Gaetani - Regional Coordinator, Environment Under Review, Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean (ROLAC), UN Environment |
| 9:45am – 10:30am | Small group discussions | Mr. Robert Smith - Assisted by Group moderators and rapporteurs |
| Roadmap Part I: Assessing the current situation in Guyana |
| *10:30am – 10:45am* | *Coffee Break* | |
| 10:45am – 11:45am | Small group discussions (cont’d): | Groups presentations (10 mins) |
| Roadmap Part I - Assessing the current situation in Guyana | Mr. Robert Smith |
| 11:45am – 12:30pm | Presentation and Q&A: |
| Identifying needs, gaps and priorities for Guyana's environmental statistics for multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) |
| *12:30pm – 1:30pm* | *Lunch* | |
| 1:30pm – 2:30pm | Presentation and Q&A (cont'd) | Mr. Robert Smith |
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| **Session 5: [Sectoral] Statistics** | | |
| 2:30pm - 3:00pm | Statistical Presentation | Ms. Shevon Wood - Head, Energy and Energy Statistics Division, Guyana Energy Agency |
| Brief overview of Guyana’s energy statistics  The objective is to identify the main elements of Guyana’s energy statistics. These elements will be the focus of the small group discussions in the next session |
| 3:00pm – 3:30pm | Presentation and Q&A  Energy statistics – International frameworks and their relevance to Guyana Energy statistics | Robert Smith |
| *3:30pm – 3:45pm* | *Coffee Break* | |
| 3:45pm – 4:30pm | Small group discussions Roadmap Part II - Identifying needs/gaps/ priorities for energy statistics | Mr. Francesco Gaetani assisted by Group moderators and rapporteurs |
| 4:30pm – 4:45pm | Wrap-up Summary of the day and brief intro to Day 3 | Mr. Francesco Gaetani; Mr. Robert Smith |

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| **Day 3: August 8th (Session 5 cont’d)** | | |
| 9:00am – 9:15am | Presentation and Q&A:  Overview of day 3 and follow up on any outstanding points from day 2 | Mr. Robert Smith |
| 9:15am – 9:45am | Presentations: Brief overview of Guyana’s land use/cover statistics | Ms. Andrea Mahammed, Head – Land Policy, Planning and Project Division,  Guyana Lands and Surveys Commission |
| 9:45am - 10:30am | Presentation and Q&A: Land-use statistics – International frameworks and their relevance to Guyana | Mr. Robert Smith |
| *10:30am – 10:45am* | *Coffee Break* | |
| 10:45 am – 12:30pm | Small group discussions:  Roadmap Part II - Identifying needs/gaps/priorities for land statistics | Mr. Francesco Gaetani - Assisted by Group moderators and rapporteurs |
| *12:30pm – 1:30pm* | *Lunch* | |
| **Session 5: Tying it all together** | | |
| 1:30pm – 2:30pm | Presentation and Q&A: | Mr. Robert Smith |
| Measuring Guyana's forest sector in the context of the SDGs and the Green State Development Strategy Vision 2040: |
| Tying it all together |
| **Session 6: Workshop Wrap-up and closure** | | |
| 2:30pm – 3:00pm | Wrap-up: | Mr. Francesco Gaetani; Mr. Robert Smith |
| Discussion of workshop outcomes; presentation of participation certificates |
| **Instant Poll** | | |