**FIRST MEETING OF THE**
**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON FOOD SECURITY, AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL STATISTICS**
**(UN-CEAG)**
**(Closed meeting)**

*Virtual Meeting*
*Friday, September 25, 2020: 14.00 AM – 15.30 PM (Rome time)*

**PROPOSED MEETING AGENDA**

**Chair (proposed):** Susana Patricia PEREZ CADENA, Deputy Director General of Economic and Agricultural Censuses, National Institute of Statistics and Geography, Mexico

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**ITEM 1**
**14:15-14:30**
**Presentation of the UN-CEAG Terms of References**
Valérie Bizier (Senior Statistician, UN-CEAG-Secretariat, FAO)
*Open discussion*

**ITEM 2**
**14:30-15:15**
**Update on the Programme of work (2020-2022), working modalities, elections of the chair and next steps**

a) **Methodological improvement of food consumption and food security statistics**
Carlo Cafiero (Project Manager, Food security statistics, FAO)
Ellen Cathrine Kjøsterud (Senior Adviser, Statistics Norway)

**Task teams members:** EGYPT, INDIA, NORWAY, SENEGAL, USDA-ERS, FAO, UNECLAC, UNICEF and the WB
Proposed chair: Norway
Secretariat lead: FAO (V. Boero)
b) Data quality standards and assessment framework for key food and agricultural data
Pietro Gennari (Chief Statistician, UN-CEAG Secretariat, FAO)

**Task team members:** INDIA, INDONESIA, MEXICO, PALESTINE, SENEGAL, FAO, UNECLAC
Proposed chair: Indonesia
Secretariat lead: FAO (Marcello D’Orazio/Gary Jones)

c) Use of Earth Observation data for land cover mapping, data disaggregation and crop yield and crop area estimates
Pietro Gennari (Chief Statistician, UN-CEAG Secretariat, FAO)

**Task team members:** EGYPT, INDONESIA, MEXICO, SENEGAL, USDA-NASS, ASDB, FAO, UNSD and WB

d) Nowcasting and Forecasting methods for food and agriculture statistics
Pietro Gennari (Chief Statistician, UN-CEAG Secretariat, FAO)

*Open discussion*

**ITEM 3**

**15:15-15:25**

**AOB**

a) Adoption of Communication platforms
Valérie Bizier (Senior Statistician, UN-CEAG-Secretariat, FAO)

b) Content of the UN-CEAG website
Valérie Bizier (Senior Statistician, UN-CEAG-Secretariat, FAO)

**ITEM 4**

**15:25-15:30**

**Next Meetings**

Proposals:
- Virtual meeting of the Bureau on Thursday, October 29th 14:00-15:30 (Rome time) to review/adopt workplans (to be submitted by Oct 23rd)
- Virtual or face-to-face meeting few days before the 52th session of the UN Statistics Commission

**15:30**

**Closing of the Meeting**