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## Highlights

# UN Statistical Commission supports work on statelessness standards

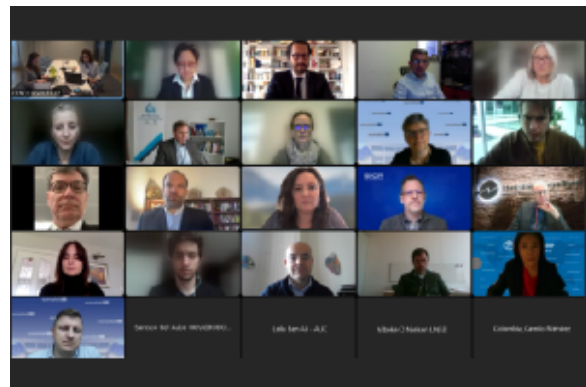
At the UNSC's 53rd session, the 'Report of the EGRISS on Statelessness Statistics' was discussed. Broad support from the Commission was received and valuable feedback for finalizing the International Recommendations on Statelessness Statistics (IROSS) was given. EGRISS will submit the complete recommendations in 2023.



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# EGRISS Steering Committee High-Level Members Inaugural Meeting

On the 30th of March, EGRISS Steering Committee held its first annual High-Level Meeting. Country and institutional members emphasized their commitments to EGRISS and to championing the IRRS and IRIS in practice. They highlighted some opportunities to strengthen collaboration and shared their perspectives on future priorities for the group.



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## Activities

# Regional workshop series with ECOWAS countries launched

### Forced displacement within the ECOWAS region: Management of statistics on refugees and IDPs

Organized by ECOWAS in collaboration with the African Union Institute for Statistics (STATAFRIC), Statistics Sweden and the Expert Group on Refugee, IDP and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS)



On 20th January 2022, EGRISS in partnership with Statafric, Statistics Sweden, and ECOWAS organized a webinar on the management of statistics on refugees and IDPs in the region. This webinar is part of a series of workshops that aim at strengthening the capacity of ECOWAS Member States on forced displacement statistics.

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# Regional dialogue with COMESA countries initiated



On the 22-25th of March, COMESA hosted a validation workshop for its first Labour Migration Statistics Report, organized with Statistics Sweden and Statafric. EGRISS members UN-ECA and Djibouti's National Institute of Statistics led a session with the Secretariat, to introduce the Refugee and IDP recommendations and highlight opportunities to strengthen related statistics in the region.

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## Implementation examples

# Over 100 implementation initiatives collected

Since the endorsement of the International Recommendations on Refugee and IDP Statistics (IRRS and IRIS) in 2018 and 2020, many stakeholders are taking action to put them into practice. The EGRISS Secretariat aims to monitor implementation at national, regional, and global levels with the first results finding over 100 examples of planned, ongoing, or completed initiatives.



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## Resources

### New website launched

EGRISS has launched its new website - [www.egrisstats.org](http://www.egrisstats.org) - which aims to serve as a 'one-stop-shop' for information about the Expert Group's work. Here you can find relevant information about the EGRISS, key resources, activities, and publications. Case studies on the use of the statistical recommendations in practice are also shared. Feedback on our new website is welcome!



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### First Annual Report published

'EGRISS Annual Report 2020-2021: Improving statistics on forced displacement and statelessness during a global pandemic' is the group's inaugural annual report. It presents the main achievements of the group since the start of its third mandate until December 2021, highlights key challenges the group faces, and outlines priorities for 2022.



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## IRIS recognized by the High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement

The Report of the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement calls for a paradigm shift when analyzing and responding to the global international displacement crisis. In its recommendations on data, it underscores the importance of the International Recommendations on IDP Statistics (IRIS) and the need to build upon the work done by EGRISS to ensure coordination of statistical capacity development efforts.



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### Upcoming

#### Event: Royal Statistical Society - Counting the Uncountable

Date: Friday 01 April 2022, 1.00PM-2.15 PM (GMT+1)

Online discussion about statelessness and the many challenges statisticians face in trying to quantify it.

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## Internship Opportunity: Statistics Project Coordination (EGRISS)

EGRISS Secretariat is looking for an intern to join the team and support its daily activities of coordination and monitoring of the implementation of the international recommendations.

Application deadline: 5th of April 2022.

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## About EGRISS

The Expert Group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons, and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS) is a multi-stakeholder group mandated by the UN Statistical Commission to develop and support the implementation of international statistical recommendations on refugee, IDP, and statelessness statistics. EGRISS was established in 2016 and currently includes 52 countries and 28 institutional partners. The group aims to improve the quality and availability of official statistics on these populations by advocating for and supporting their inclusion in national statistical systems, to help ensure they are not left behind as countries work to achieve their development goals.



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