



## Workshop on the Revision 3 of the United Nations Principles and Recommendations for Population and Housing Censuses and Evaluation of Census Data

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### ❖ Workshop Content

Population and housing census is a large scale process and is periodically conducted (usually every 10 years) to collect and disseminate statistics on population, its composition, characteristics and spatial distribution. Since 1958, the U.N has been actively promoting the population and housing censuses by compiling the principles and recommendations for population and housing censuses. For the 2020 round of Population and Housing Censuses, the UN Statistics Division has drafted the Revision 3 of the Principles and Recommendations for Population and Housing Censuses, referring to the 2020 round of the censuses which covers the years between 2015 and 2024. The revision 3 introduces substantial changes in the organization and implementation of population and housing censuses.

Evaluation of census data is one of the essential operational activities of an overall census programme, considering its importance for the identification of types and sources of errors in recent census and for assisting in planning for future censuses. Many countries have recognized the need to evaluate the quality of their census results and have employed various methods for evaluating census coverage as well as certain types of content error. This regional workshop is organized by the Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics (AITRS) in collaboration with the UNSD, ESCWA, SESRIC to assist the Arab statistical offices in conducting population and housing census through adopting the latest international principles and recommendations and evaluating census results to identify types and sources of errors in census data (See the attached agenda).

### ❖ Workshop Objective:

- Increase the knowledge of government statisticians on the revised international principles and recommendations for planning, organization and implementation of population and housing censuses;
- Enhance the knowledge of the staff on importance and purposes of evaluation of the quality of census data and identification of types of errors in census data through using demographic techniques;

- improve staff capability in identifying gaps and challenges when applying international standards to improve organization and implementation of population and housing censuses and the quality of data collected through the census;
- Provide a platform for participants to share their national experiences and learn from good practices.

### ❖ Target Audience

Staff of the Arab Statistical Offices who work at the sections charged of planning, designing, implementing and evaluating population and housing censuses.

### ❖ Trainers and Training Methods:

- Mr. Srdjan Mrkic, Ms. Meryem Demirci and Mr. Thomas Spoorenberg from the Demographic Statistics Section, UNSD.
- Tools of training include lectures and exercises as well as short country presentations (5-10 min) on the strategic plan for next census or the results of evaluation of the most recent census for countries whose plan for next census is not ready yet.
- Workshop language is English with translation into Arabic.

### ❖ Supervision Team:

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### ❖ Workshop Fees and Certificate of Attendance

- AITRS covers the cost of one participant from each statistical office. The participant from organization other than the national statistical offices should bear the travel and accommodation cost as well as the workshop fees in the amount of \$600.00.
- Participants will be awarded a certificate of attendance by the Arab Institute for Training and Research (AITRS). Participants whose absenteeism exceeds 25% of the workshop time without a valid reason will not be granted the certificate of attendance, in addition to depriving them from accommodation expenses for the days of absence and informing their organizations. AITRS holds the right to reject or accept any reason submitted by the participant for his/her absence.