

## Tentative Work Plan

### OIC-StatCom Working Group No: 2 (Development of a Strategic Vision for the OIC-StatCom)

**Lead Country:** Indonesia

**Members of the Working Group:** Bangladesh, Egypt, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Morocco, Palestine, Senegal, Turkey, IDB, SESRIC

#### Background

The OIC-Statistical Commission (OIC-StatCom) has been established based on the decision arising from the last meeting of the National Statistical Offices (NSO) of OIC Member States held in Istanbul on 2010. One of the aims of the OIC-StatCom has been defined in the First Session of the Commission as;

*“to be a platform for sharing knowledge and exchanging experiences and best practices in the field of statistics among Member States, with respect to the objectives and principles set forth to strengthen the solidarity and cooperation among the OIC Member States in the 11<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit held in Dakar on March 2008.”*

It is commonly accepted in the literature that strategic vision should be based on the functions of the entity in concern. According to the Rules of Procedure that have been adopted by the participants of the First Session, functions of the OIC-StatCom are:

1. To promote statistical data production and dissemination according to the internationally accepted methodologies and standards
2. To ensure coordination and cooperation among OIC Member States and international organisations
3. To develop a strategic vision towards more effective statistical systems and elaborate, implement and monitor short, medium and long term plans to achieve the vision.
4. To raise the profile of statistics through advocacy towards the political authorities of the OIC Member States.
5. To encourage the governments of the OIC Member States together with the international/supranational organizations to augment and supply sustained human and financial resources for the statistical capacity development.
6. To identify the statistical areas specific to the OIC Member States and to develop common standards and methodologies for the indicators.
7. To facilitate active cooperation and coordination with the COMCEC towards enhancing the role of national statistical systems in evidence-based policy-making in the OIC Member States.

In this context, the delegates decided to set up a Working Group for Strategic Vision under the OIC-StatCom in accordance with the decision number 5.

#### Objective

This Working Group has been set up to study development of a strategic vision for OIC-StatCom in depth and to prepare a Strategic Vision Document.

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## Tasks

Topics to be covered in the Strategy Vision Document are expected to include the following:

- Preparation of a framework to initiate a work plan for statistical capacity development, which includes priority areas and feasible activities implementable by Member States
- Identification of the primary areas specific to OIC Member States for which new methodological studies will be launched for data collection and indicator development
- Activities that can be initiated to increase statistical awareness in the Member States
- Identification of tools and cooperation mechanisms among Member States and international organisations
- Modalities to ensure concrete and active participation of the Member States in the works to be performed by OIC-StatCom or its working groups
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## Expected Outputs

- The Report on Strategic Vision for OIC-StatCom (including short, medium and long term plans)

## Modalities of Work

The key activities and functions of the Working Group should focus on the following fields:

- In order to enhance the participation and get the opinions of the Member States in the Working Group more directly, the Lead Country is expected to assign specific tasks to the participants. The documents prepared by the participating Member States will be used as inputs to the Interim/Final Reports of the Working Group.
- A meeting will be convened by the Lead Country in collaboration with the Secretariat of the OIC-StatCom to prepare the Final Report of the Working Group to be submitted to other members of the OIC-StatCom by the end of February 2012 the latest.
- Taking the abovementioned items into consideration, the Working Group should decide on a list of activities/tasks with:

#	Activity	Deadline
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5	Submission of the Final Report to the OIC-StatCom Members	End of February 2012