

Enhanced Statistics for Evidence-based Climate Action in Maritime Trade, Maritime Transport and Fisheries in Barbados

First national workshop in the project “Evidence-based Climate Action through Artificial Intelligence and Data Innovation for Caribbean SIDS”

UN House, Barbados, 4-5 December 2025

Tentative Agenda

Day 1	Thursday, 4 December 2025
9:00-9:30	Registration
Opening	
9:30- 10:00	Opening remarks <i>Host country representative, t.b.c.; Barbados Fisheries Division; National Statistics Service; UN Resident coordinator, t.b.c; UN-DESA ; UNCTAD</i> Housekeeping notes <i>Barbados Fisheries Division</i>
Evidence-based policy making towards a carbon-free blue economy	
10:00-12:30	Updates on developments in the IMO Net-zero Framework <i>IMO [online], t.b.c.</i> Developments concerning Phase II of the WTO Fisheries Subsidies Agreement negotiations and snapshot of references to maritime transport and fisheries in SIDS NDCs <i>UNCTAD [online]</i> Barbados’ perspective about opportunities and challenges arising from the decarbonization of the blue economy <i>Government representative, t.b.c.</i> Overview of the project and the UN Global Platform <i>UN-DESA and UNCTAD</i>
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
14:00-15:30	Needs for statistics on maritime trade, maritime transport, fisheries and their CO2 emissions <i>Government representative, t.b.c; private sector representative, t.b.c.</i> Related initiatives on which the project can build and to which it can contribute

	Government representative, t.b.c; non-profit organizations, t.b.c. regional organization (CARICOM, UN-ECLAC, UNEP, ...), t.b.c.
Building blocks of a statistical process to address emerging data needs	
15:30-17:30	Outline of a general method for the estimation of maritime trade, transport and fishery and their CO2 emissions <i>James Stewart (UNCTAD Consultant)</i> Statistical resources in Barbados: data sources, data infrastructure, software, inter-agency cooperation <i>Barbados Statistics Service, t.b.c; data providers and compilers, t.b.c.</i>
Day 2	Friday, 5 December 2025
Making a plan (for statistics producers)	
9:00-12:30	Recapitulation of day 1 <i>Moderated discussion</i> Setting up a repository of relevant data sources <i>Group work</i> Reviewing and discussing the human and technical resources in statistical department agencies <i>Group work</i> Agreeing on roles and data exchange across agencies, including the one-stop shop for the compilation, dissemination and hosting of the statistics <i>Group work</i> Mapping out the shape of the output statistics <i>Group work</i>
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
Wrapping up	
14:00 -16:00	Conclusions - Summary evaluation of the circumstances in Barbados - Needs for adaptation of the basic statistical methodology - Roadmap for the implementation in practice <i>James Stewart (UNCTAD Consultant)</i> Next steps <i>UN-DESA; UNCTAD</i> Workshop evaluation <i>All participants</i>
16:00	Workshop closure