

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”

Conference Room, UN House, Barbados
4–5 December 2025

Preliminary Agenda

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Day 1 - Thursday, 4 December 2025	
9:00–9:30	Registration
1. Opening	
9:30–10:15	Opening remarks - Representative from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, t.b.c. - Dr. Shelly-Ann Cox, Chief Fisheries Officer, Barbados Fisheries Division - Janelle Scantlebury-Mounsey, Senior Statistician, Barbados Statistical Service - Simon Springett, UN Resident Coordinator for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean, t.b.c. - Anu Peltola, Chief of Data, Statistics and Digital Service, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) – online - Jiayue Zeng, Chair of the AIS Task Team, United Nations Department on Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) Housekeeping notes Cecilia Ramsey, Senior Executive Associate, UN Resident Coordinators Office
2. Evidence-based policy making towards a carbon-free ocean economy	
10:15–11:00	The IMO GHG Strategy and updates on the Net-zero Framework Ms. Eugénie Vandoorne, Junior Professional Officer at the Marine Environment Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO) – online

	Decarbonizing fisheries in Barbados: Climate, Resilience, and Trade Mr. David Vivas, <i>Chief of Ocean and Circular Economy, UNCTAD – online</i> Opportunities and challenges for Barbados arising from the decarbonization of the ocean economy <i>Representative from the Ministry of Energy and Business, t.b.c.</i>
11:00–11:30	Coffee break
11:30–12:30	AIS data on the UN Global Platform for the measurement of maritime activities and their emissions Jiayue Zeng, <i>Chair of the AIS Task Team, UNDESA</i> Strengthening capacities to leverage AIS data and national sources to develop statistics on maritime trade, maritime transport and fisheries and their emissions. An overview of the project. Onno Hoffmeister, <i>Chief of Transport and Environment Statistics, UNCTAD</i>
12:30–14:00	Lunch break
14:00–15:00	Main gaps and pressing needs in statistics on maritime trade, maritime transport, fisheries and their CO2 emissions in Barbados - <i>Representative from the Ministry of Tourism and International Transport, t.b.c.</i> - Dr. Shelly-Ann Cox, <i>Barbados Fisheries Division</i> - Damien Prescod, <i>Consultant Manager, Exports Barbados</i> Actions and data supporting the maritime energy transition of the Caribbean Stephan Nanan, <i>Director & GHG Advisor, MTCC Caribbean</i>
15:00–15:30	Coffee break
3. Developing a statistical process to address emerging data needs	
15:30–17:00	Outline of a basic method for the estimation of maritime trade, transport and fishery and their CO2 emissions James Stewart, <i>Consultant, UNCTAD</i> Commentary Janelle Scantlebury-Mounsey, <i>Senior Statistician, Barbados Statistical Service, t.b.c.</i> Discussion
Day 2 - Friday, 5 December, 2025	
9:00–10:30	- STATISTICS PRODUCERS ONLY - Setting up a repository of relevant data sources Group work

	Reviewing the human and technical resources of statistical department agencies Group work
10:30–11:00	Coffee break
11:00–12:30	- <i>STATISTICS PRODUCERS ONLY</i> - Developing a draft framework for data exchange, compilation and dissemination Group work Mapping out the statistical output Group work
12:30–14:00	Lunch break
4. Wrapping up	
14:00–15:00	Conclusions - Summary evaluation of the circumstances in Barbados - Fitting the basic method to the resources in the country - Roadmap for the implementation in practice James Stewart, Consultant, UNCTAD Discussion
15:00–15:15	Coffee break
	Next steps Onno Hoffmeister, Chief of Transport and Environment Statistics, UNCTAD Workshop evaluation <i>All participants</i>
16:00	Workshop closure