



Statistics for Development Division (SDD)
16th Meeting of the Pacific Statistics Methods Board (PSMB16)
14–15 May 2025, Canberra, Australia

Venue: Brindabella room (Level 11), Mercure Hotel, Belconnen, Canberra, ACT, Australia

Agenda (updated for ABS visit on 14 May)

Canberra Time (UTC+10)	Agenda item	Lead	Documentation
Day 1			
09:00-10:00	Pacific delegates visit to ABS House, Belconnen		
10:00-10:30 (30 mins)	Morning tea and Registration		
10:30 – 11:00 (30 mins)	Session 1: PSMB opening Welcome to the PSMB Opening prayer Review of minutes and update on outcomes	Chair Deputy Chair	
<i>Theme: Methods and innovations for 2030 round of population and housing census and population statistics</i>			
11:00-12:00 (60 mins)	Session 2: Country reflections on experiences and plans for future census methods Australia, Fiji, Kiribati, New Zealand	Denise Carlton, (Australia), Kemueli Naiqama (Fiji) Aritita Tekaieti (Kiribati) Vince Galvin (New Zealand),	Short presentation (7 min max) and discussion at the end of the session
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch & Group Photo		
13:00 – 13:45 (45 mins)	Session 3: Census and Data integration 3.1: Pacific Census Standard Questionnaire	Benuel Lenge (SPC), Yohannes (SPC), Toga Raikoti (SPC), Winston Faingaanuku (SPC)	Cover note Paper Presentation
13:45 – 14:30 (45 mins)	3.2: Tuvalu Statistical Population Register Experiment (progress update)	Benuel Lenge (SPC), Angus Amasone (Tuvalu)	Presentation
14:30 – 15:00 (30 mins)	Afternoon tea break		
15:00– 16:00 (60 mins)	Session 4: SNA 2025 Transition Round table discussion with ABS and UN Statistics leads	Jacqui Vitas (Australia) and Donna Grzman (PFTAC), Peter Harper (UNSD)	
16:00-16:30 (30 mins)	Session 5: Pacstat project Pacstat Phase 2 – Ideas and scope for future regional project.	William Hutchins Seitz (WB), Taufik Indrakesuma (WB)	

DAY 2			
09:00–09:15 (15 mins)	Day 1 recap		
09:15 – 10:00 (45 mins)	Session 6: Data visualisation and data governance 6.1 Data Visualisation Guidance (Feedback/approval)	Leo Cann-Polydor (SPC)	Cover note Guidance note Presentation
10:00 – 10:30 (30 mins)	6.2 Data governance framework for Tonga – progress update	Kevin Sweeney (SPC) Sione Lolohea (Tonga)	Presentation
10:30 – 11:00	Morning tea		
11:00 – 11:30 (30 mins)	Session 7: Governing access to microdata 7.1 Guidance note on the Five Safes (feedback/approval)	Wolfgang Hertel & SPC	Cover note Guidance note Presentation
11:30 – 12:00 (30 mins)	7.2 Ngā Tikanga Paihere – Indigenous approaches for microdata access	Mrs. Jocelyn Morrison - (Stats NZ).	Presentation
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch break		
13:00 – 13:30 (30 mins)	Session 8: Climate change and environment statistics 8.1 Natural disaster and climate change household survey – outcomes of PSMB Commissioned Work	Lisa Green and Monica Madrid (SPC)	Cover note Paper presentation
13:30 – 14:00 (30 mins)	8.2 System of Environmental Economic Accounts (SEEA) Development and use of big data for Pacific SEEA	Lisa Green (SPC) + ESCAP	Presentation
14:00 – 14:30 (30 mins)	Session 9: Disability Statistics Regional Guidebook Progress update from Pacific Group on Disability Statistics Presentation of draft guidebook for feedback	Evelyn Wareham (SPC), Taiaopo Faumuina (Samoa), Fleur Smith, Thiago Mela Santos, Manjula Marella (Nossal institute)	Cover note Draft guidebook Presentation
14:30 – 15:00	Afternoon tea		
15:00 – 15:30 (30 mins)	Review Meeting Outcomes	Rapporteur and Secretariat Lead	
15:30 – 16:00 (15 mins)	Any other business Next meeting (November 2025) Close	Chair	
16:00 – 16:30	Future roles on PSMB: PSMB Members only discussion	Chair	

For virtual participants:

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