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Subject: UNECE survey on practices and experiences in population and housing censuses of the 2020 round

Dear colleague,

I am writing to request your office to complete the UNECE comprehensive survey of country practices and experiences in population and housing censuses of the 2020 round.

The survey is an essential component of the work plan of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES) Steering Group on Population and Housing Censuses, endorsed by the Bureau of CES in January 2021 ([ECE/CES/BUR/2021/FEB/6](#)). The survey aims to gather very detailed information on all aspects of the region's 2020-round censuses, which will be used to prepare the CES Recommendations for population and housing censuses of the 2030 round.

The survey is available online in English and Russian. Your country's unique link to access the survey has been sent by email to your chief statistician today.

This link is specific to your country. It may be shared by forwarding the email among different staff within your office and may be completed from different devices, to enable different individuals or teams to complete different parts of the survey. Please ensure that anyone who completes a section clicks 'next' at the end of the page in order to save their work.

While it will likely be necessary for a number of experts to work on different sections of the survey, we kindly ask you to ensure that one individual checks your office's submission for completeness and accuracy before submitting the finished response. Please be aware that the information provided will be made public in both a printed publication and an online analysis platform. Exceptions to this, where answers will be treated as confidential, are clearly marked in the questionnaire.

I attach here a pdf version of the questionnaire, in both languages, for your information. This will enable you to see the topics covered in the survey and to identify the necessary experts to complete them. Please note that the pdf version does not reflect the full functionality of the online version such as skip patterns and drop-down lists.

Should you have any questions about the content of the survey, or any technical

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challenges in completing it, please contact Fiona Willis-Núñez, fiona.willis-nunez@un.org.

I would be very grateful if you could complete the survey **by Friday 10 November** at the latest. I thank you in advance for your contribution to this important and complex endeavour, which will provide invaluable information for the international statistics community.

Yours sincerely,



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