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Ms Mariana Kotzeva
Eurostat Director-General
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Dear Ms Kotzeva,

The European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC) supports initiatives addressing the topic of indicators in the context of EU policies and programmes.

ESAC held a workshop on 'Indicators: user requirements, methodological issues and communication challenges' in May 2016, followed by a second one on 'New perspectives and priorities for EU 2030 Indicators - Indicators and methodologies for describing society in the Information Age' in June 2018. The latter workshop aimed to identify - from the viewpoint of the users of European statistics - the priorities of new or 'adapted' indicators and methodologies to better describe our European societies with a time horizon up to 2030.

As outcome of the June 2018 workshop, ESAC drafted a workshop report and agreed on ten recommendations which the Committee hopes Eurostat finds useful. The recommendations will be published on the ESAC website and could also be presented at an ESSC meeting in 2019, if you wish to discuss them with member states.

Yours sincerely,



Ineke Stoop
ESAC chair

Annexes: ESAC Doc. 2018/30 Workshop report, 8 June 2018 in Rome
ESAC Doc. 2018/43 ESAC recommendations