

**ISI Side Event at the 49<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN Statistical Commission**

## **STATISTICAL CAPACITY BUILDING: HOW STATISTICS OFFICES CAN WORK WITH STATISTICAL SOCIETIES**

**Wednesday 7 March 2018, 8.15-9.30  
Conference room 11 (tentative)**

You are invited to an ISI side event of the UN Statistical Commission. The ISI is in a unique position as a worldwide body of statisticians that is not part of any inter-governmental system, and reaches out to statisticians who are not part of the official statistics community. The ISI aims to support the establishment and growth of national statistical societies, which can help foster the development of statistics.

### **Panel discussion**

Chair: **Stephen Penneck**, Vice-President, ISI

### **Panellists**

**John Pullinger**, National Statistician, former President of the Royal Statistical Society, UK  
*To talk about GSS support for the Official statistics section, consultations, StatsUG, user groups, etc*

**Heli Mikkilä**, Deputy Director General, Statistics Finland  
*To talk mainly about the ISLP but also about other links and benefits*

**Risenga Maluleke**, Statistician General, Statistics South Africa  
*To give a developing country perspective*

**Helen MacGillivray**, President of the ISI and former President of the Statistical Society of Australia  
*To give an international perspective. How the ISI can help.*

Members of the panel will each speak for 10 minutes, outlining the experience in their countries and highlighting the benefits for official statistics of good collaboration between statistics offices and professional societies.

There will then be a question and answer session.

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