

SESRIC LAUNCH EVENT STATISTICAL YEARBOOK ON OIC MEMBER COUNTRIES & THE NEW VERSION OF THE OIC STATISTICS (OICSTAT) DATABASE



26 September 2024 | SESRIC Headquarters, Ankara-Republic of Türkiye

BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

A comprehensive, reliable and up-to-date statistical information base is essential for sound decisionmaking processes in any society. To cater for such a need of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Member Countries, the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC) has been established as a subsidiary organ of the OIC with a multifaceted mandate that includes, in particular, the compilation, processing and dissemination of up-todate and reliable information and statistics on the major social and economic indicators in the Member Countries.

EVENT DETAILS		
	STARTS AT	26 September 2024
		10:00 AM (UTC +3)
	ENDS AT	26 September 2024
		01:00 PM (UTC +3)
	VENUE	SESRIC
		Headquarters, Ankara
	ORGANISER	SESRIC
EN	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH

Since its establishment in 1978, SESRIC has been making strenuous efforts to fulfil this specific task at the highest possible level through the publication of various statistical volumes and series both in hard cover and on its website. As a continuation of these efforts, the 2023 edition of the flagship report **"Statistical Yearbook on OIC Member Countries"** will be launched on 26 September 2024. The Yearbook serves as a primary tool and an indispensable reference for decision-makers, researchers, and analysts. This year's report presents 251 selected socio-economic statistical indicators under 22 categories, generally spanning from 2000 to 2022. The report provides both individual country data and aggregated group data of the OIC, with performance metrics compared to global averages.

In addition to launching the Yearbook, SESRIC will also unveil the new version of the **OIC Statistics Database (OICStat)**, which stands as the premier resource for comprehensive statistical information on all 57 OIC countries. Available in Arabic, English, and French, OICStat offers a rich array of data with over 1,800 indicators across 27 categories, dating back to 1970. The database, designed for ease of use, is freely accessible through the SESRIC website. Recognized as an invaluable tool for decision-makers, researchers, and analysts, OICStat's continuous enhancement is critical. By expanding its content, SESRIC aims to support the collective efforts to elevate cooperation among OIC countries in diverse socio-economic domains.

The launch event will also host panel discussions. The panel discussions, titled "Strengthening the Role of Data for Policy Making", will include representatives from relevant international institutions, focusing on the importance of data in policymaking across various sectors.

With the launch event of the Statistical Yearbook of OIC Member Countries 2023 and the new version of the OICStat, SESRIC aims to present both the comprehensive annual report and its accompanying database to its stakeholders. This event serves as a platform to disseminate the latest statistical information and developments, fostering dialogue and gathering valuable perspectives. By facilitating this engagement, SESRIC reaffirms its commitment to enhancing statistical capacity and advancing sustainable development across the OIC region. This initiative underscores

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SESRIC's ongoing dedication to promoting evidence-based policymaking and informed decisionmaking processes crucial for the socio-economic progress of the member countries.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

	OPENING REMARKS	
10:00 – 10:30 30 minutes	 H.E. Ms. Zehra Zümrüt SELÇUK, <i>Director General</i>, SESRIC H.E. Dr. Ahmad Kawesa SENGENDO, <i>Assistant Secretary General, OIC</i> H.E. Dr. Erhan ÇETİNKAYA, <i>President</i>, Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat) H.E. Amb. Faed Khaled Abed MUSTAFA, <i>Ambassador</i>, Embassy of the State of Palestine in Ankara 	
10:30 – 10:40 10 Minutes	OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE STATISTICAL YEARBOOK (SYB) ON OIC MEMBER COUNTRIES 2023 & THE NEW VERSION OF THE OIC STATISTICS (OICSTAT) DATABASE	
10:40 - 11:00	BRIEF PRESENTATIONS ON THE SYB ON OIC MEMBER COUNTRIES 2023 & THE NEW VERSION OF THE OICSTAT DATABASE	
20 Minutes	 Dr. Ahmet ÖZTÜRK, <i>Coordinator of Data and Information Section</i>, SESRIC Mr. Ahmet Kürşad DOSDOĞRU, <i>Researcher</i>, SESRIC 	
11:00 – 12:00 60 minutes	 PANEL DISCUSSION: STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF DATA FOR POLICYMAKING Moderator: Mr. Onur ÇAĞLAR, Director of Statistics and Information Department, SESRIC Panelists: Dr. Nosratollah NAFAR, Country Economist, IsDB Group Regional Hub in Türkiye Ms. Aysel YUKSEL, Programme Analyst, UNFPA Türkiye Dr. Mustafa Utku OZMEN, Country Economist, World Bank Türkiye Office Mr. Emre AKYUZ, Programme and Monitoring Support Specialist, FAO 	
12:00 – 12:30 30 minutes	MODERATED Q&A SESSION AND INTERACTIVE DISCUSSIONS	
12:30 – 13:30 60 minutes	NETWORKING AND REFRESHMENTS	