

SESRIC WEBINAR SERIES ON STATISTICAL EXPERIENCE SHARING

"TOURISM STATISTICS"



24 February 2021 Time: 13:30 - 15:30 (Ankara time – UTC +3)

Background and Objectives

Tourism has turned into one of the main economic activities and an important source of foreign exchange earnings, economic growth and employment in many countries that around 10% of the world's GDP is being generated in this sector.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, total number of tourist arrivals to OIC countries substantially increased from 86.3 million in 2000 to 144.2 million in 2019 and the OIC share in the world total tourist arrivals increased from 9.4% in 2000 to 11.7% in 2019. Accordingly, the sectoral development of tourism has a significant place in the national development strategies of many countries including the OIC countries.

In parallel to the increasing importance of tourism in national economies, a comprehensive and methodological approach for the collection, collation, compilation, processing, and dissemination of tourism statistics is needed in order to support the policy makers to make informed decisions about the sector. On the other hand, the gaps in tourism data will not only have an impact on policy making processes



by the public institutions but also on the private sector seeking investment opportunities. Thus, availability of timely and high-quality tourism data is vital for multiple interest groups.

Against this background, SESRIC has recently initiated the Webinar Series on Statistical Experience Sharing through which National Statistics Offices (NSOs) of OIC countries and statistical units of the relevant international agencies will find the opportunity to inform the participants about their experiences on statistical themes of mutual interest. In this connection, SESRIC will conduct a webinar jointly with the Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat) on their experience in Tourism Statistics. *The other interested OIC countries are also invited to share their experiences in the relevant session of the Webinar*.

This webinar will cover the following topics related to the Tourism statistics:

- Inbound Tourism Statistics
- Outbound Tourism Statistics
- Tourism Satellite Accounts
- Household Domestic Tourism

Format

- Around 2 hours of webinar via Zoom with presentations.
- The participants are expected to create a Zoom account by visiting <u>https://zoom.us/signup</u> in advance of the webinar.
- The webinar will be conducted in **<u>English</u>** only.
- The webinar will be open to NSOs of OIC member countries interested in the subject.



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Work Programme	
OPENING	Opening Remarks
SESSION	Dr. Atilla KARAMAN (5 mins)
13:30 - 13:35	Director of Statistics and Information Department, SESRIC
SESSION 1	Inbound Tourism Statistics
13:35 - 14:40	Outbound Tourism Statistics
	 Definitions and Concepts
	 Sampling Method, Field Application, Questionnaire
	• Quality Control, Metadata, Data Distribution
	Tourism Satellite Accounts
	 Definitions and Concepts
	• TSA Tables
	Household Domestic Tourism
	Presenter: Mr. Cem KOLAMAZ & Ms. Özge YAMANTAS, TurkStat
SESSION 2	Experiences of Other OIC Member Countries and Q&A
14:4 0 - 15:20	
CLOSING	Closing Remarks by SESRIC
SESSION	
15:20 - 15:30	

* All times are indicated in Ankara, Turkey (UTC +3) time. For time difference information, please refer to: <u>https://time.is/compare/1330_24_Feb_2021_in_Ankara</u>