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Contribution of Citizen Science Data to SDG Monitoring

Introduction:

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Description: This session aims to introduce Citizen Science to the official statistics community and demonstrate the value of citizen science for monitoring the SDGs, drawing upon concrete examples that outline the use of citizen science data by NSOs and UN agencies. The challenges and barriers for the uptake of citizen science data for feeding into SDG monitoring processes will be discussed, and how we can bring it into the scope of official statistics through recognition by governments, national statistical offices (NSOs), the UN system, and other data producers and users, from the perspective of the representatives of all these stakeholders.

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