

Madame Chair,

Distinguished Colleagues,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Indonesia as the largest archipelagic state, stretches from the Indian Ocean to the Pacific Ocean is governed at the national, provincial, regency and municipal level. The need for a simplified and one data policy is a must for the country with a geography like Indonesia.

In 2019, Indonesia passed a Presidential Regulation on Satu Data Indonesia (One Data Indonesia), which mandated Open Government Data (OGD) to be implemented at a national scale.

Indonesia develops concrete commitments biannually, delivering on the OGD national action plan. The current project focuses on strengthening public services, anti-corruption, fiscal transparency, access to justice, community participation, and gender-perspective public policies.

After the delivery of each 2-year plan, Ministries/Agencies hold a series of meetings with civil society organisations, drafting the national strategy through the principle of co-creation.

The Indonesian Medium-Term National Development Plan's (RPJMN 2020–2024) priority policies include industrialisation and digital transformation. Digital literacy and capacity in managing and analyzing data (including big data) present challenges for Indonesia to capitalise on digital technology advancements in policy development.

In order to strengthen data collection, Indonesia National Statistic Agency (BPS) signed MoU with UNESCAP and UNDESA, focusing on the establishment of the Regional Hub on Big Data and Data Science for the Asia-Pacific Region. The Regional Hub can be used to develop big data and data science capacity.

The Regional Hub for Asia and the Pacific will encompass Research on the use of Big Data and data science for the development of new statistical methods and techniques; Capacity-building and training of statisticians and data scientists; International seminars and workshops on data science and modernization of official statistics; Advocacy for Big Data and data science in official statistics; and Further collaboration with the UN Global Platform and other regional hubs in sharing new statistical methods, techniques, and learning of Big Data and data science among the community of official statistics and its stakeholders.

We hope that through this cooperation, Indonesia can enhance its One Data Policy and that the Regional Hub would strengthen Indonesia's increasingly important role as a beacon of knowledge and catalyst for the development of big data and data science, producing official statistics to drive the future development transformation in the Asia-Pacific region.

We would like to thank UNESCAP and UNDESA for this important collaboration.

Thank you very much. Terima Kasih