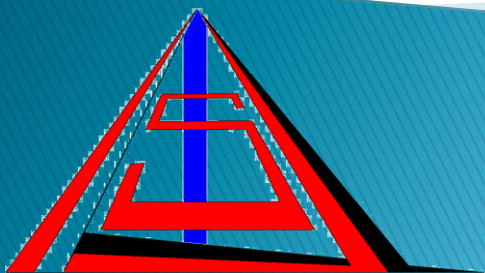


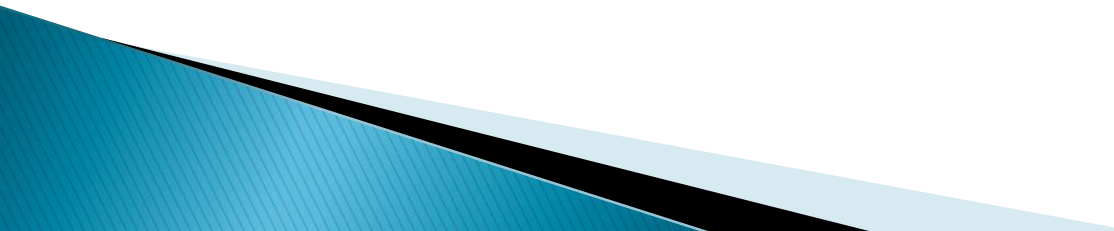
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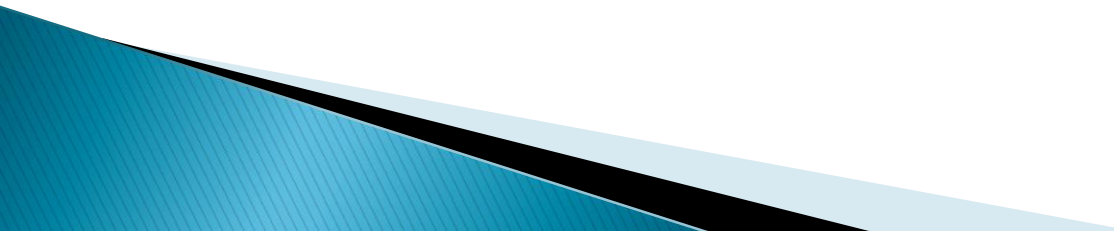
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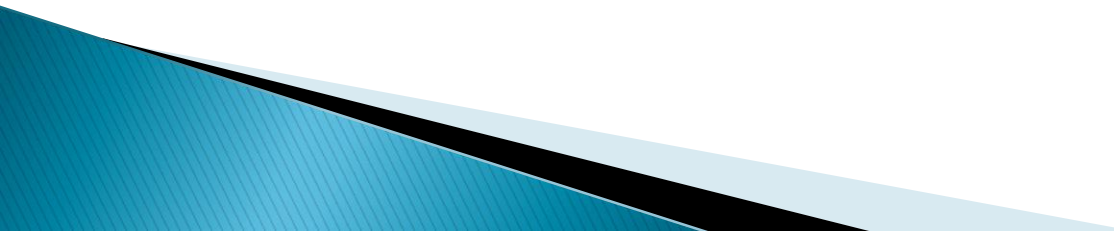
# Introduction

- ❖ The statistical work programme in CARICOM is guided by the Regional Statistical Work Programme (RSWP)
  - ❖ The RSWP was developed by the CARICOM Community Secretariat (CCS), in collaboration with the Standing Committee of Caribbean Statisticians (SCCS)
  - ❖ It was developed in an effort to address the weaknesses in statistics and statistical systems in the Region.
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# Introduction

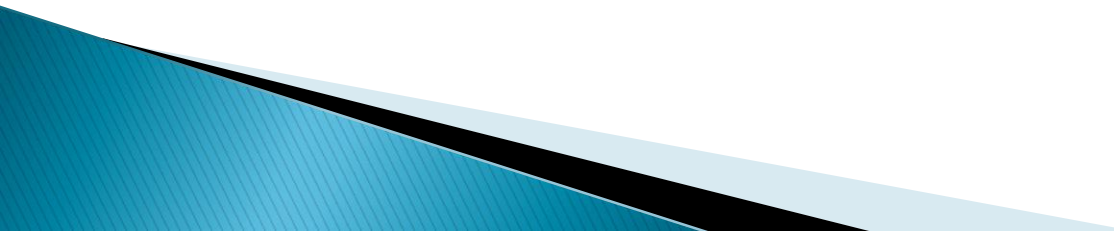
- ❖ The RSWP is an overarching framework or roadmap for statistical development in the region. Includes:
    - ❖ Activities that need to be undertaken at the national level
    - ❖ Activities to improve statistics in the Region including strategic planning, methodological training and technical infrastructural issues.
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# Activities Coordinated by the CARICOM Secretariat– CCS

- ❖ National Accounts– funded under the Tenth European Development Fund (EDF)
  - ❖ International Merchandise Trade –EDF funded
  - ❖ Environment Statistics– EDF funded
  - ❖ ICT Statistics– EDF funded
  - ❖ Development of Gender Equality Indicator Model – Pilot project in four countries in conjunction with UN Women
  - ❖ Review of the proposed SDG indicators.
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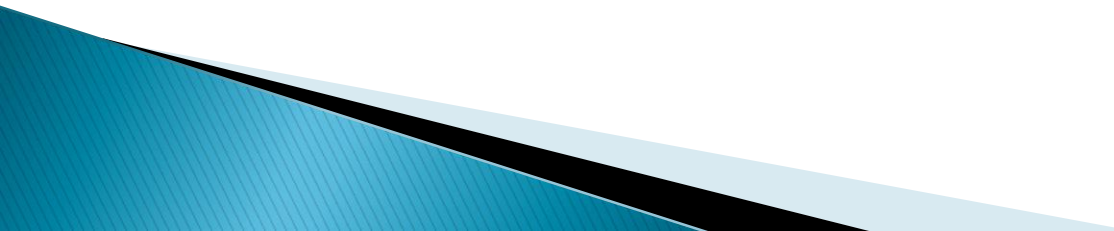
# Activities Coordinated by CCS

## National Accounts Consultancy


- ❖ Objective– improvement in the production and dissemination of National Accounts Statistics consistent with International Standards
  - ❖ Work to date include gap analysis assessment in Member Countries which included the development/refinement of Statements of Strategy and Implementation plans relative to 2008 SNA.
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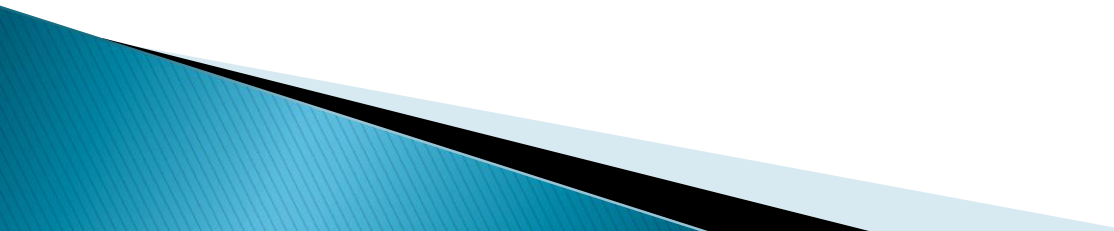
## International Merchandise Trade consultancy

- ❖ Objective – improving the production and timely dissemination of Merchandise Trade statistics
  - ❖ In country assistance and training, national /regional, in the processing of Merchandise Trade using Eurotrace
  - ❖ Expanded data submission protocol implemented.
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# Activities Coordinated by CCS

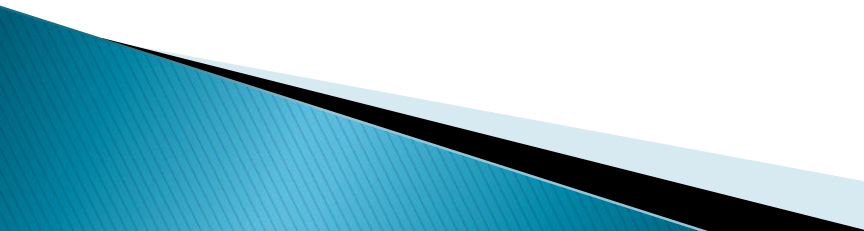
- ❖ Environment Statistics– Training workshop to strengthen capacity in member states. This meeting also recommended the formation of a Technical Working Group for Environment Statistics
  - ❖ ICT Statistics – Workshop held to enhance the development work in the area of ICT statistics. The Caribbean Specific ICT indicators were refined as well as the development of metadata relative to core immediate indicators.
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# Activities Coordinated by CCS

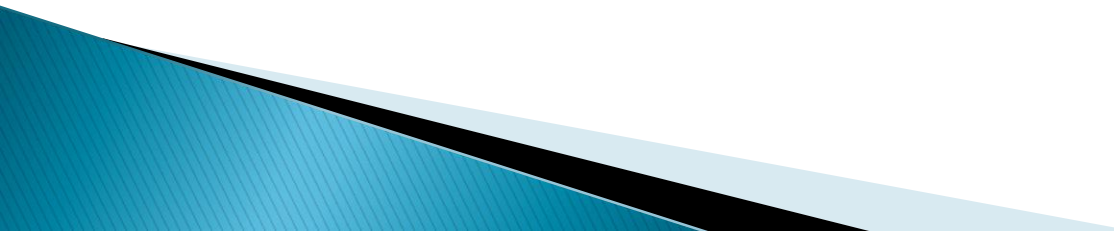
- ❖ Workshop in May 2015 to train as well as to review the SDG indicators in the context of regional and national priorities
  - ❖ Training in the development of NSDS in conjunction with PARIS 21
  - ❖ Convening of the Second High Level Forum (HLF), the aim of which is to garner political support for increasing investment in statistics in countries of the Region.
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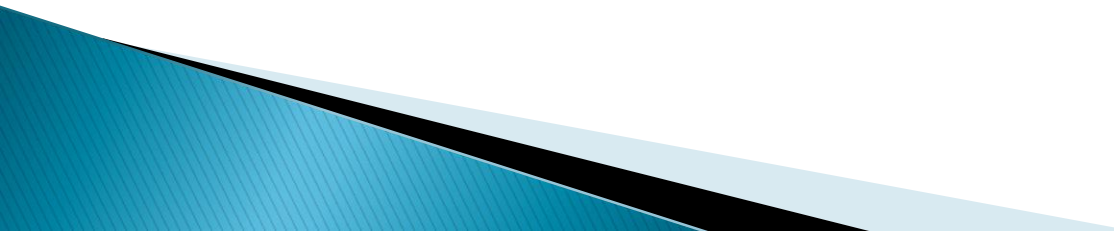
# Project for the Regional Advancement of Statistics in the Caribbean (PRASC)

- ❖ Project Managers– Statistics Canada
  - ❖ Project approved March 3, 2015
  - ❖ Funded by the Government of Canada – CAD 19.5 m
  - ❖ 7 year project, March 2015–March 2022
  - ❖ Technical assistance in four components:
    - National Accounts
    - Business Survey Infrastructure
    - Household Survey Infrastructure
    - Communication & Dissemination.
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# Other Activities

- ❖ CARTAC– IMF's regional training centre for the Caribbean
  - ❖ Aim– provide technical assistance to improve external sector, national accounts and prices statistics
  - ❖ Working closely with the PRASC project to ensure that there are no duplication of activities.
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# Other Activities

- ❖ UNECLAC provided training and is currently working with Pilot Countries to develop System of Environment Economic Accounts (SEEA)
  - ❖ The Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) is also coordinating the development of Labour Force Surveys and Labour Market Information System among countries in this region.
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