

Training course on:

Statistics, Knowledge and Policy: Understanding Societal Change

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Group exercise:

Your Presentation on Measuring the Progress of Societies

In the first part of the exercise your group discussed why is important to measure overall progress in your country, and also why is important to measure progress in the specific area chosen by your group.

In the second part of the exercise your task focused on which dimensions and the respective indicators you need to assess progress in your specific area.

In this final part of the exercise you must present your report on progress to an audience comprising the press, policy makers and civil society representatives.

- Your presentation should last no more than 10 minutes.
- Firstly, you should explain why measuring progress is important generally.
- You should then explain why measuring progress in your topic is especially important (and how it affects other aspects of progress)
- Finally, you should summarise progress in your country in your specific area.

Please remember that the audience will not all understand statistics as well as you do. They will of course be able to ask for clarification or for more information, however it is important that the material you present is compelling, interesting and understandable.