



# Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet Identification / Concept Stage (ISDS)

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**BASIC INFORMATION**

**A. Basic Project Data**

Project ID	Project Name	Environmental Category	Country
P168762	Implementation of the International Comparison Program (ICP) in Latin America & the Caribbean	C - Not Required (C)	World
Team Leader(s)	Estimated Date of Approval	Managing Unit	Financing Instrument
Mizuki Yamanaka		DECAE	Investment Project Financing

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**PROJECT FINANCING DATA (US\$, Millions)**

**SUMMARY**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	0.40
<b>Total Financing</b>	0.40
<b>Financing Gap</b>	0.00

**DETAILS**

**Non-World Bank Group Financing**

Trust Funds	0.40
Miscellaneous 1	0.40

**B. Project Development Objective(s)**

The overall development objective is to enhance the capacity of statistical agencies of Latin American and Caribbean countries/territories for the production of Purchasing Power Parities estimates.

Implementation of International Comparison Program (ICP) activities in the Latin America and the Caribbean region will work towards this objective and will also respond to the United Nations Statistical Commission’s call for countries to integrate ICP activities within their regular statistical work programs to ensure a permanent and sustainable ICP.

**C. Project Description**

To achieve the proposed objectives, the project includes the below-described components and activities.



Regional prices and national accounts training workshops: This component involves conducting regional training workshops that cover the following topics: (i) designing and conducting ICP price surveys and estimating PPPs; (ii) compiling GDP expenditures; (iii) establishing synergies between ICP processes and ongoing CPI survey activities.

Technical assistance missions to countries/territories: This component will include technical assistance missions to help build the capacity of beneficiary countries/territories in price statistics and national accounts.

Contributing to global ICP methodology, standards and guidelines, and ensuring their application in Latin America and the Caribbean: This component aims at ensuring that UN-ECLAC contributes to the formulation of global ICP methodology, standards and guidelines, which would be applied uniformly across all regions including Latin America and the Caribbean. This will be ensured through the participation of UN-ECLAC in ICP governance, coordination and technical meetings, where global ICP methodology, standards and guidelines are presented and regional practices are shared and discussed.

Preparation for workshops and technical missions: This component involves the preparation of knowledge and training material that will be used to facilitate and deploy regional training workshops and technical assistance missions.

Provision of grants to lower-capacity countries/territories for survey and data processing activities: Small grants will be provided to lower-capacity countries/territories to partially fund the cost of ICP surveys, ICP data processing and other related activities.

## SAFEGUARDS

### **D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)**

Project activities include no physical intervention. Meetings and workshops with clients and relevant agencies will typically be held at hotels and government offices in the capital cities of the countries/territories that hold regional workshops, international meetings or country/territory visits.

### **E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies**

The implementing agency, UN-ECLAC, applies an evaluation policy focused on examining the results chain, processes, contextual relevance, impact, effectiveness, efficiency, and sustainability of the expected and achieved accomplishments from the organization's interventions and contributions.



**F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team**

Ramon E. Anria, Social Specialist

Takeaki Sato, Environmental Specialist

**G. Policies that might apply**

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Safeguard Policies Triggered by the Project	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	No physical intervention is expected from the project. Also, no procurement of equipment or goods will be made.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	The project does not contemplate rehabilitation or new works in areas of natural habitats or that would significantly impact natural habitats.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	The project will not finance activities in forests or that could potentially affect forest resources or their management.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	The project does not involve any purchase or use of pesticides. It also does not finance any activities that could lead to changes in pesticide use or pest management practices.
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	The project does not contemplate rehabilitation or new works that could potentially affect physical cultural resources.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	The project will strengthen the statistical capacity of government institutions, and as such will not finance any activities affecting areas where indigenous communities are present or to which they have a collective attachment.
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	The project will strengthen the statistical capacity of government institutions and as such will not finance any activities that might lead to land acquisition, resettlement, or the restriction of access to natural resources.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	The project will neither support the construction or rehabilitation of dams nor will it support other investments which rely on services of existing dams.
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	The project will not finance activities



		involving the use or potential pollution of international waterways.
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	The project will not finance activities in disputed areas as defined in the policy.

**H. Safeguard Preparation Plan**

**Appraisal stage ISDS required?** No

**APPROVALS**

Team Leader(s):	Mizuki Yamanaka
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**Approved By**

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