

## **INEGI hosts the 2024 international statistics conference IAOS-ISI**

- The conference will be held from May 15-17 in Mexico City, bringing together up to 325 experts, academics, and statistics professionals from around the world.
- The conference aims to enhance evidence-based decision-making at all levels by addressing the top challenges in statistics generation and disseminating best practices to tackle related issues.
- Conference attendees will also reflect on official statistics as a public good and their role in strengthening users' trust in contested contexts characterized by emerging technologies and myriad information sources.

The National Institute of Statistics and Geography (INEGI) officially inaugurated the 19th Conference of the International Association for Official Statistics (IAOS) and the 4th Regional Conference of the International Statistical Institute (ISI) in Mexico City on May 15th, 2024.

The IAOS-ISI 2024 Conference, themed «Improving Decision-Making for All», will be held from May 15th to 17th. Attendees from more than 65 countries will discuss the role of official statistics as a public good and its role as the basis for informed decision-making. Additionally, they will reflect on the need to build a new social contract based on trust around data generation and dissemination.

This year's conference takes place in the context of rapid changes driving the evolution of global data ecosystems with higher connectivity, interdependence, and increasingly integrated technologies, namely big data, artificial intelligence, and machine learning.

INEGI's President Graciela Marquez highlighted «the Institute's commitment to advance scientific and statistical development, and building on international cooperation, to establish official statistics as a true toolbox available to all, individuals and institutions».

This international conference will bring together up to 325 experts, academics, and professionals from 48 National Statistical Offices, as well as from 8 international organizations, including the United Nations, the World Bank, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. Other attendees include representatives from 25 universities and research centers, 12 government agencies from different countries, 2 central banks, and the private sector.

The conference agenda features 47 workshops, plenary sessions, discussions, and research presentations on topics including:

- Challenges and innovations in data production.
- Enhancing disaggregation and inclusion in data generation.
- Drawing on alternative data sources and new technologies for data generation.
- Capacity building, data dissemination, and statistical literacy.
- Fostering cross-border collaboration.
- Leveraging statistics and data science for deeper understanding and innovation.

INEGI will build on this conference to share its expertise and learn best practices and insights offered by the international statistical community.

For more information on the IAOS-ISI 2024 Conference, visit the official event website:

<https://www.isi-next.org/conferences/iaos-isi-2024/>.

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