

Third Meeting of the DOS Advisory Panel

The Singapore Department of Statistics (DOS) Advisory Panel was established in 2021 to guide DOS's strategic direction, amidst the changing data and technology landscape, and ensure that we remain relevant and responsive to the diverse needs of our data users.

DOS organised the third DOS Advisory Panel (DAP) meeting on 12 and 13 September 2023 with the theme of **'Data Stewardship and Governance in an Evolving Data Ecosystem and Measuring the Green Economy and Sustainability'**.

The DAP is chaired by the Singapore Chief Statistician, Dr Koh Eng Chuan, and comprises the following local and international members who are experts in the fields of statistics, data science and technology:

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The third DAP meeting discussed the role of National Statistical Offices (NSOs) in data stewardship and governance and the advantages and challenges for NSOs in undertaking this role. Members shared their experiences in the private sector, academia and NSOs, and provided insights on the areas where DOS is well-positioned to play an expanded role in data stewardship and data governance.

The DAP also exchanged views on the growing importance of green economy and sustainability. Members discussed the pivotal role of NSOs in measuring and monitoring progress through green economy and sustainability indicators to guide policy formulation and assess the effectiveness of initiatives.

DOS expresses our appreciation to all panel members for the insightful discussions, and we look forward to the fourth DAP meeting in 2024.

