



First Meeting of the Working Group for the Update of the Classification of Time Use Activities in Latin America and the Caribbean (CAUTAL)

Format: Virtual session

Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Chile Time)

Registration link: [Link](#)

Background:

The Classification of Time Use Activities for Latin America and the Caribbean (CAUTAL) 2015 was officially adopted by Member States at the Eighth Meeting of the Statistical Conference of the Americas, held in Quito from November 17 to 19 of that year.

Since 2015, CAUTAL has become a key instrument for strengthening and promoting time-use measurement. During this period, significant transformations have taken place in the organization of work both inside and outside households, as well as in social relations and the economy. It has been driven mainly by technological advances and the need to respond to the challenges posed by the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19).

In this context, there is a need to review and update CAUTAL 2015 to ensure that the classification adequately reflects all activities that individuals can currently perform, as well as to incorporate recent measurement experiences from countries in the region. In consequence, the National Institute of Statistics (INE) of Uruguay submitted the proposal to establish the Working Group for the update of the Classification.

The proposal to update CAUTAL was selected for implementation during the 2026–2027, as indicated in the [Biennial Programme of Regional and International Cooperation Activities 2026–2027](#).

Agenda:

Time	Activity	Responsible
11:00 – 11:15 am	Opening of the session and presentation of the Working Group proposal	INE Uruguay
11:15-11:20 am	Opening remarks by the Technical Secretariat	ECLAC and UN Women



11:20 – 11:30 am	Participant introductions	Moderated by INE Uruguay
11:30 – 11:45 am	Characteristics of the update	María Eugenia Gómez, ECLAC consultant
11:45 am -12:00 pm	Presentation and agreement on the work plan	INE Uruguay
12:00 – 12:30 pm	Comments and closing	All participants. Moderated by ECLAC

We thank you for your interest in joining this Working Group for the 2026–2027 biennium. Any questions or comments may be sent to maria.lara@cepal.org.

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