



Inception Webinar for the Arab Region Towards the 2025 SNA

Task Teams and Guidance Notes
Islamic Finance Task Team (IFTT)

5 July 2021

Islamic Finance Task Team

10th AEG meeting noted differences between Islamic and conventional banking and agreed further research is needed



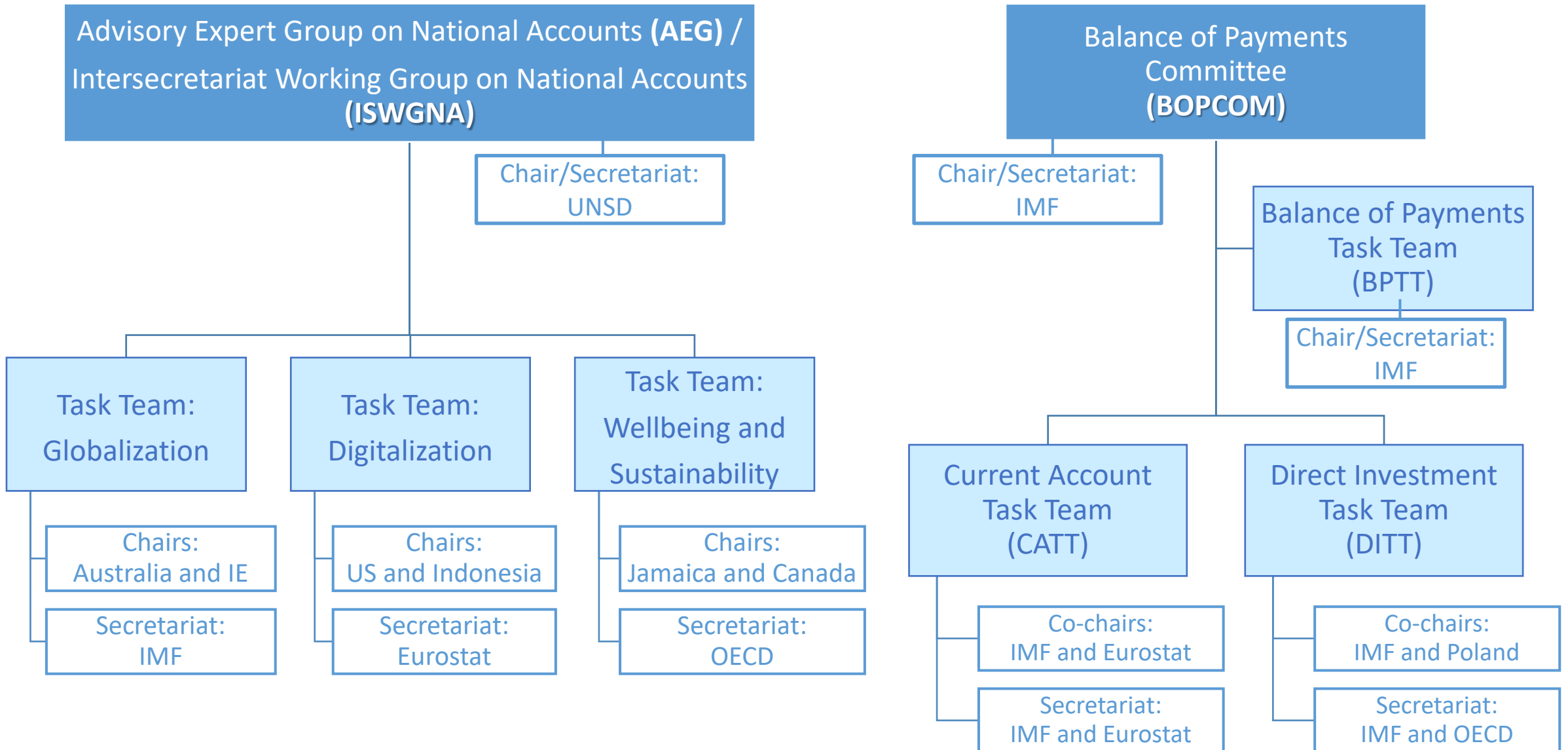
ESCWA & UNSD formed ISWGNA Task Force on IF which held two face-to-face meetings in 2017 (Beirut) and 2018 (Ankara)

(2017-2018-2019) AEG Meetings (11th-12th-13th) discussed progress of work of TF and provide guidance on way forward.

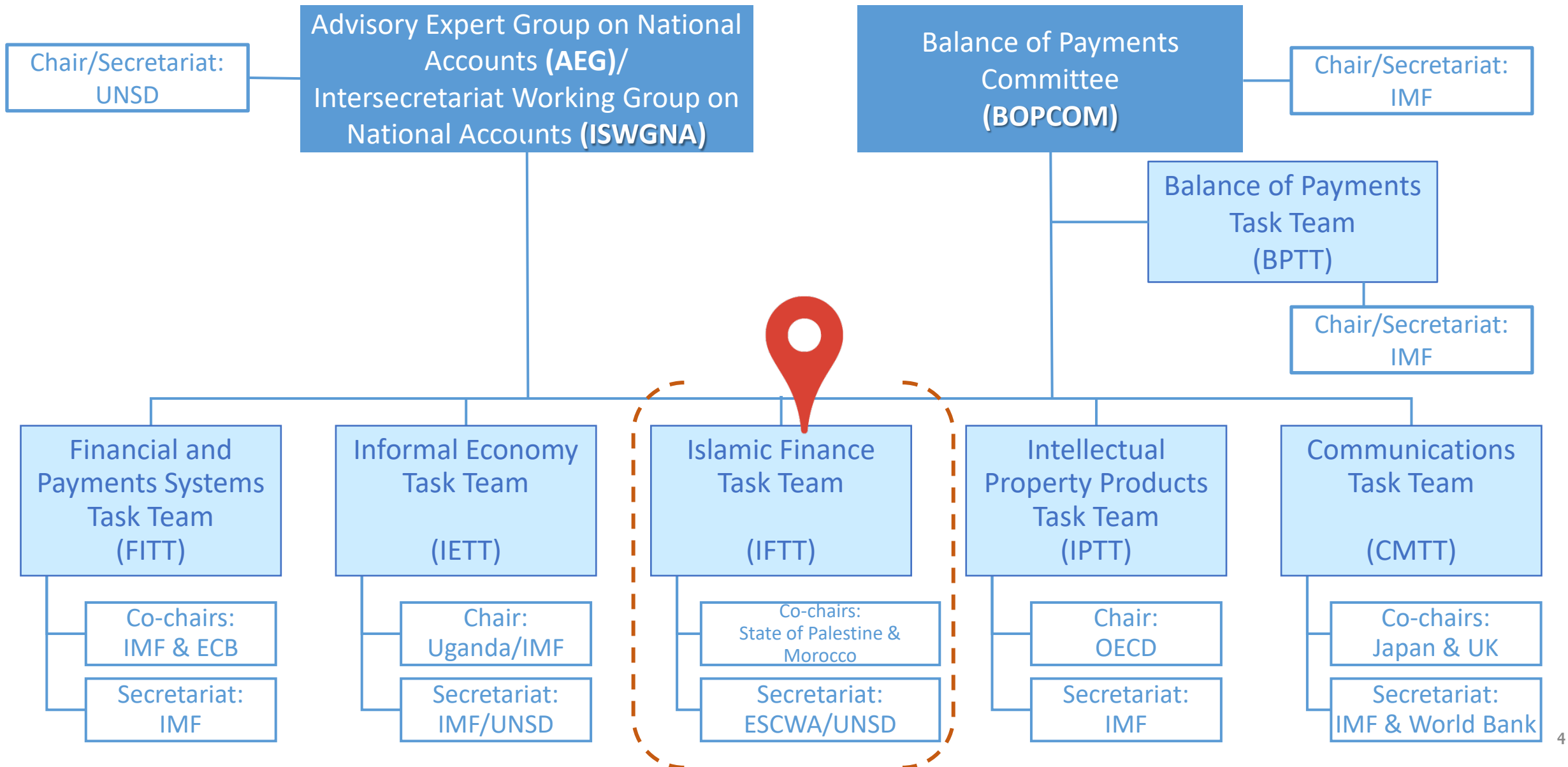
UNSC requested the ISWGNA to prepare a roadmap to update the 2008 SNA at its 51st session (*targeted release date is March 2025*)
IMF BOPCOM launch a parallel process to update the BPM6

ISWGNA & BOPCOM formed the Joint Task Team on Islamic finance (IFTT)

SNA & BPM Task Teams




SNA & BPM updates - Joint Task Teams



Islamic Finance Task Team- Objectives

Deals with issues arising from the need for further integration of Islamic finance and related concepts into macroeconomic and financial statistics



Further Research and developing methodology/guidance on the treatment of Islamic finance in National Accounts and External Sector Statistics



Assess whether changes in the methodology of national accounts and ESS are required to allow for full and proper reflection of Islamic finance in macroeconomic and financial statistics;

Governance and participation

Established by the ISWGNA & BOPCOM

Chaired By State of Palestine & Morocco

Secretariat: UNSD & ESCWA

Membership:

- Experts from countries where IF is prevalent, in the area of NA, ESS & other macroeconomic statistics
- Experts from relevant international/regional organizations

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Six research topics

A. Terminology for property income for Islamic loans, deposits and debt securities

B. Reference rates and terminology for calculating Islamic and conventional FISIM in the context of national accounts and external sector statistics

C. Statistical treatment of Islamic finance in external sector statistics and national accounts, including the functional categories of investments

D. Sectorization of Islamic banks with multiple activities and Islamic windows

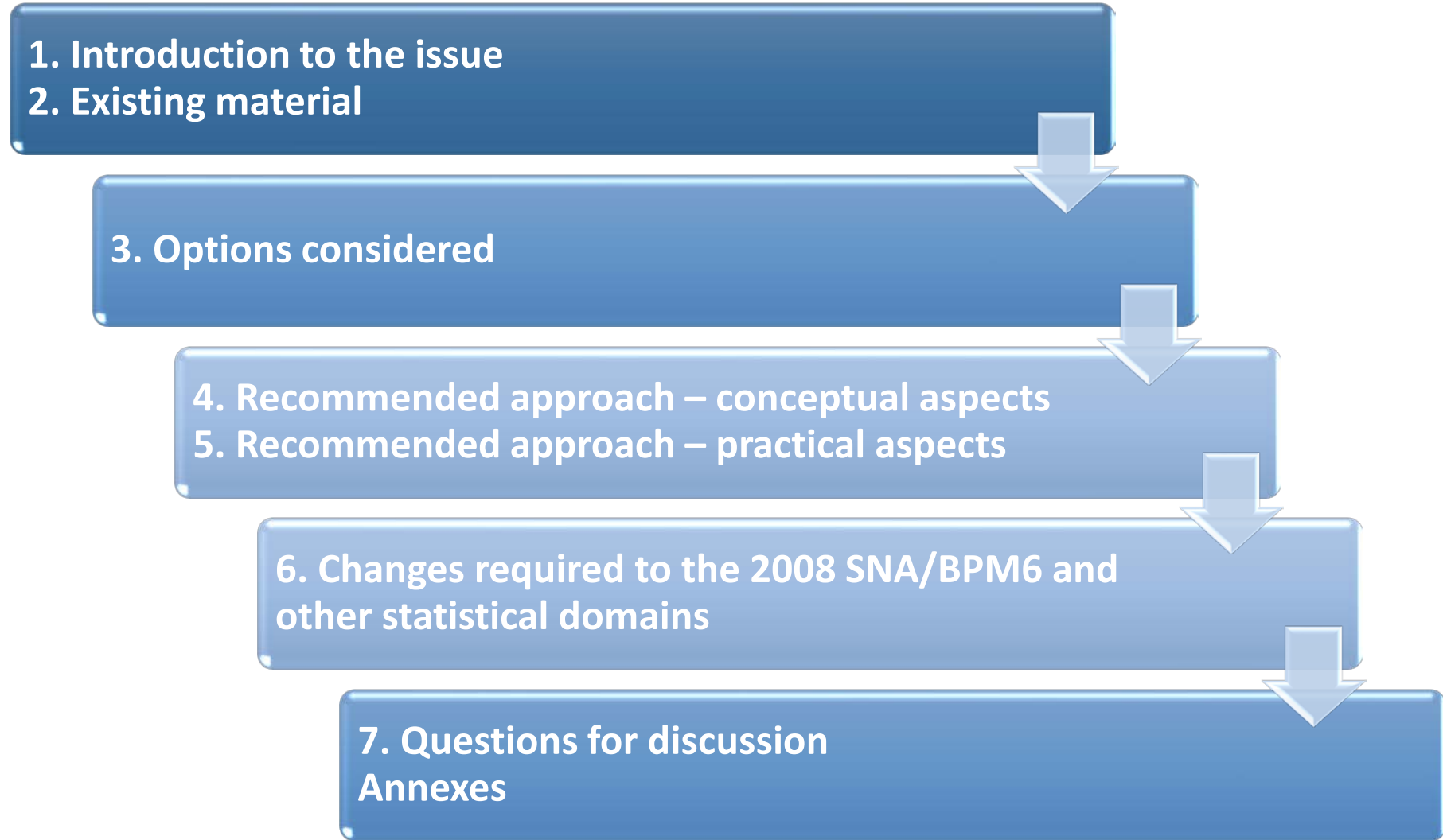
E. Economic ownership of non-financial assets related to sales, lease, and equity financing which are legally owned by Islamic financial corporations

F. Transactions, other flows and positions in Islamic insurance (takaful and re-takaful)

Coordination



Structure of Guidance note



Ideally, the Guidance note should not exceed six pages (+ annexes)

IFTT Timeline

1st Draft of sub- TT GNs by Authors

April – June 30

1st Draft of consolidated GN

July 2

Consultation within IFTT members

July 2 - July 14

Submit the GN to AEG/ISWGNA & BPTT

July 20 - August 3

Public Consultation

4 Weeks

August 6 - Sep 3

Finalization of GN

Sep 24

1st Draft

Submit the
final GN

Public
Consultation

Endorsement
by BOPCOM

Endorsement by
AEG/ISWGNA

2021

July

| August

| Sep

| Oct

| Nov

2021

Country Involvement

- Participation in the SNA Task Teams, and at ESCWA region two countries are involved in the IFTT as co-chairs.
- Selecting members for the IFTT from the NSOs with the direct consultation from the Secretariat (UNSD, ESCWA).
- NSOs are engaged and continuously consulted during the update process phases.
<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/RACONLIST.asp>
- The outreach and consultation with countries should not be limited to NSOs but shall be broadened to include other producers and also the users (policymakers and academia) at national and regional level.

Thanks for your attention

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