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Dr. Juraj Riecan currently works as the Director of the Statistics Division at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia that he joined in January 2009. In this capacity he is primarily responsible for managing the UN-ESCWA's programme of assisting countries of the Arab region in developing capacity of their statistical systems. He also leads UN-ESCWA's efforts on collection and dissemination of statistical data about the region.

Dr. Riecan worked previously in various positions at the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe on various statistical topics including macroeconomic statistics, population and housing censuses and migration statistics. The primary focus of his work was on statistical infrastructure including data and metadata models, data quality, data dissemination and communication, use of administrative registers and records for statistical purposes and related fields. The academic career of Mr. Riecan focused on mathematical statistics and notably on regression models applied in biology, medical research and mechanical engineering.

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