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Ninth Meeting
Geneva, 21-24 April 2008

FIRST MODULE: SPECIAL SESSION FOR TRANSITION ECONOMIES

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

The meeting will be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 9:30 on Monday 21 April in Room XVI

Time	Item	Topic	Document no.
MONDAY, 21 APRIL 2008			
SPECIAL SESSION FOR TRANSITION ECONOMIES			
9:30 – 9:45		Opening of the Session	
	I	Measuring the non-observed economy in national accounts	
	Ib	Ad-hoc surveys of private entrepreneurs (with a focus on services)	
		<i>Documentation:</i>	
		<i>Invited paper:</i>	
		Statistics on business services provided by physical persons (informal sector) (Romania)	9
		<i>Supporting paper:</i>	
		Ad-hoc surveys of non-observed economy (Serbia)	SP.5
		Estimation of non-observed economy in statistical practice (Azerbaijan)	SP.8
		Estimation of non-observed economy in statistical practice (Kazakhstan)	SP.9
		Issues related to estimating NOE (Belarus)	SP.10
9:45 – 10:00		Ad hoc surveys and the Eurostat-EFTA-OECD NOE Project for Western Balkan countries – <i>presentation by David Roberts, OECD</i>	Presentation
10:00 – 10:30		Statistics on business services provided by physical persons (based on examples from Kyrgyzstan and Turkmenistan) – <i>presentation by Virginia Balea, Romania</i>	Presentation
10:30 – 10:40		Comments by countries	
10:40 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>		
11:00 – 11:30		General discussion	

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MONDAY, 21 APRIL 2008			
	Ia	Measuring illegal activities	
		<i>Documentation:</i>	
		<i>Invited papers:</i>	
		A survey for measuring underreporting of data based on tax inspectors (Tajikistan)	7
		Estimating the illegal economic activities in the national accounts -experimental estimates in 2005 (Ukraine)	8
		<i>Supporting papers:</i>	
		Estimating illegal activities (Croatia)	SP.2
		Estimates of illegal activities (Serbia)	SP.4
		Measuring non-observed economy (Tajikistan)	SP.7
11:30 – 11:50		Measuring illegal activities – drug production and distribution – <i>presentation by Anders Nordin, Sogeti Luxembourg S.A.</i>	Presentation
11:50 – 12:10		General discussion	
12:10 – 12:20		Measuring illegal activities – production of illegal alcohol – <i>presentation continued</i>	
12:20 – 12:30		General discussion	
12:30 – 14:30	Lunch break		
	Ia	Measuring illegal activities - continued	
14:30 – 14:45		Measuring illegal activities – prostitution – <i>presentation continued</i>	
14:45 – 15:00		General discussion	
15:00 – 15:15		Measuring illegal activities – smuggling – <i>presentation continued</i>	
15:15 – 15:30		General discussion	
15:30 – 15:40		Other issues related to measuring illegal activities	
15:40 – 16:00	Coffee break		
	Ic	Estimating owner-occupied dwelling services	
		<i>Documentation:</i>	
		<i>Invited paper:</i>	
		Estimating owner-occupied dwelling services: user cost approach (OECD)	3
		<i>Supporting paper:</i>	
		User cost estimates of dwelling services (Croatia)	SP.1
		Experience in measuring owner occupied dwelling services, other services and illegal activities (Kyrgyzstan)	SP.6
16:00 – 16:30		Estimating owner-occupied dwelling services: user cost approach – presentation by David Roberts, OECD	Presentation
16:30 – 16:45		Comments by countries	
16:45 – 17:30		General discussion	
17:20 – 17:30		Conclusions on topic I: measuring the non-observed economy	

Time	Item	Topic	Document no.
Tuesday, 22 April 2008			
	II	1993 SNA Update issues	
	IIa	Introduction to the measurement of capital services	
9:30 – 10:00		Measuring capital stocks and capital services – presentation by Charles Aspden, OECD	Presentation 4
10:00 – 10:45		General discussion	
10:45 – 11:05	<i>Coffee break</i>		
	IIb	New treatment of Research and Development in the SNA rev.1	
11:05 – 11:35		Deriving estimates of gross fixed capital formation of research and development using data from research and development surveys – presentation by Charles Aspden, OECD	Presentation 13
11:35 – 12:20		General discussion	
12:20 – 12:30		Conclusions from the special session for transition economies	

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