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Workshop on Gender Statistics

Geneva, 14 September 2006

INFORMATION NOTE

Workshop on **Engendering National Statistical Systems: practical issues**

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva  
Salle V

14 September 2006  
From 9:30 to 17:30

**I. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

1. The UNECE Task Force on Gender Sensitisation Training for Statisticians is organizing a one-day workshop on the practical issues on engendering a national statistical system. The Task Force has been working on a manual for this type of training and would like to use this workshop as an arena to discuss these issues with UNECE member countries. The topics to be discussed are listed below.

**II. AGENDA OF THE MEETING**

**1) Organizing training on engendering National Statistical Systems: main critical issues**

- Objectives: clear identification of short-term and long-term goals:
  - Short-term: integrating gender roles and relations in existing frameworks and surveys
  - Long-term: influence agenda setting within the National Statistical System (NSS)
- Contents: focus on the various steps to effectively integrate gender throughout the statistical cycle
- Trainers: selection from diverse settings to have a better understanding of diverse data needs.
- Trainees: steps to identify the exact targets, in terms of organizations and offices within the NSS as well as the different hierarchical levels.

## 2) **Organization of gender statistics in NSSs: different contexts, different models**

Depending on the different organizational settings and the development level of gender statistics, different models can be proposed and implemented to foster production and dissemination of gender statistics. This session will review advantages and disadvantages of existing models (Gender Focal Point, Gender Statistics Team, integration of gender statisticians in existing structure, etc.) to organize gender mainstreaming within NSSs, including the establishment of support groups such as the group of gender statistics' users.

## 3) **Developing an effective strategy to disseminate gender statistics and market them to potential users**

An effective strategy should integrate various kinds of statistical products:

- gender mainstreaming in all publications
- general publications on gender ('Women and Men' type)
- publications on specific aspects (VAW, time use, family roles, etc.)
- inform users of available data
- conduct short sessions to bring together NSS teams and users to brainstorm potential uses of available data
- build on available data
- maintain a line of communication between data providers and data users beyond a project/survey lifecycle
- report progress to users

### **III. PARTICIPATION AND OTHER INFORMATION**

2. Representatives of all Member States of the United Nations, and of interested intergovernmental organizations, are welcome to participate in the meeting. Participants representing non-governmental organizations in a consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council may also attend. All participants must be accredited by the competent authorities of their country or international organization.

3. Participants to the Work Session on gender statistics (11-13 September 2006) should inform the UNECE secretariat **by 1 September 2006** if they wish to attend also the Workshop on gender statistics (14 September 2006). Other participants should contact the UNECE Secretariat for registration by 1 September 2006.

4. The working languages of the meeting are English and Russian. English/Russian interpretation will be available.

5. Please send your replies to Mr. Enrico Bisogno (e-mail: [enrico.bisogno@unece.org](mailto:enrico.bisogno@unece.org)).

#### **IV. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDANCE**

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