### STATISTICAL COMMISSION and ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

#### CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS

ECE Work Session on Gender Statistics (Geneva, Switzerland, 23-25 September 2002)

ECE/UNDP Task Force Meeting on Gender Statistics Website for Europe and North America (Geneva, Switzerland, 25-26 September 2002)

#### INFORMATION NOTICE

In accordance with the work program of the Conference of European Statisticians for 2002-2003, the UNECE Work Session on Gender Statistics will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, 23-25 September 2002. Back-to-back with the Work Session, the UNECE will also organise a joint UNECE/UNDP Task Force Meeting on the Gender Statistics Website for Europe and North America, 25-26 September 2002.

#### I. TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETINGS

Both the Work Session on Gender Statistics and Task Force Meeting on Gender Statistics Website will be held in the UN premises at Palais des Nations, 8-14 avenue de la Paix, 1211 Geneva 10.

The Work Session will start at 9:30 on Monday, 23 September and is scheduled to finish on Wednesday, 25 September, at 12:30.

The Task Force Meeting will start at 14:00 on Wednesday, 25 September, and will finish on Thursday, 26 September, at 17:30.

#### II. WORK SESSION ON GENDER STATISTICS, 23-25 SEPTEMBER 2002

#### **II.1** General Information

The Work Session will be conducted in English only. The papers will not be translated and should, therefore, be submitted in English.

The papers should not exceed 10 pages and should be submitted along with a one-page summary to the ECE secretariat **by 15 August 2002** to allow for processing and distribution before the meeting. Contributions should be sent in electronic form preferably by e-mail (tiina.luige@unece.org) in Word Perfect, Word or ASCII format.

All documentation for the meetings will be made available online at

#### http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2002.09.gender.htm

Hard copies of the meeting documentation will **only** be forwarded by mail to participants who request so. Please send your request by e-mail to <a href="mailto:olga.otradnova@unece.org">olga.otradnova@unece.org</a>.

The agenda items will be considered based on two main categories of papers, **invited** papers and **contributed** papers. The organisers of the meeting have contacted a small number of countries and asked them to prepare invited papers for specific items. The invited papers will provide the main basis for discussion. However, issues raised in the other papers that countries contribute to the meeting (contributed papers) will also be considered during the substantive discussion.

Consideration of individual agenda items will be led by Session Discussant. The sessions will start with the presentation of the invited papers, followed by a brief question period. The Discussants will then introduce the contributed papers. The authors will have an opportunity to comment briefly on their papers and to answer any questions. The Session Discussants and authors of both invited and contributed papers are encouraged to keep in close contact in order to better prepare the discussion and to take into account the requirements of the Discussants. The Session Discussants and their relevant contact information are provided below.

#### II.2 The preliminary agenda

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda
- 2. Designation of officers
- 3. Topic 1. Gender differences as the consequence of macro-economic changes and policy decisions; use of institutional (business) surveys and registers as measurement tools for gender dimensions in economic development processes.

Discussant – to be confirmed

Invited papers by ECE Secretariat and Italy.

Contributed papers by Georgia and Sweden.

4. Topic 2. Gender equality indicators at national, regional and local levels; identification of a gender perspective in statistics in order to establish feasible sets of indicators, with special attention to international comparability and policy relevance, common efforts of statisticians and policy makers. *Discussant* – Mr. Ko Oudhof, Netherlands (e-mail: <a href="ModF@cbs.nl">KODF@cbs.nl</a>, tel.: + 3170 3375669). *Invited papers* by Canada, USA and ILO. *Contributed papers* by Georgia, UK, UNESCO and ESCWA.

5. Topic 3. Attitudes, norms and values as factors in changes of gender inequality and related measurement and methodological issues.

*Discussant* – Mr. Stein Terje Vikan, Norway (e-mail: <u>stein.vikan@unece.org</u>, tel.: +4122 9173255). *Invited papers* by the Netherlands and Finland.

6. Topic 4. Balancing work and family responsibilities in different life-cycle positions; time-use, labour force and other surveys as relevant monitoring vehicles.

*Discussant* – Beatrix Wiedenhofer, Austria (e-mail: <u>Beatrix.Wiedenhofer-Galik@statistik.gv.at</u>, tel.: + 431 71128).

*Invited papers* by Canada, Poland and USA. *Contributed papers* by Norway and Eurostat.

- 7. Future work
- 8. Other business

#### III. TASK FORCE MEETING ON GENDER STATISTICS WEBSITE, 25-26 SEPTEMBER 2002

#### **III.1** General Information

The Task Force will discuss the gender statistics website for Europe and North America. (<a href="http://www.unece.org/stats/gender/web/">http://www.unece.org/stats/gender/web/</a>). The focus of the agenda will be on improvements to the website contents and priorities for its future development. The participants are welcome to make proposals for improving the website.

Please note that the Task Force meeting will be held in English with interpretation into Russian.

#### III.2 The preliminary agenda

1. Progress Report of the Website

Progress report on work carried out on the Gender Statistics Website for Europe and North America since the Task Force May 2001 (ECE).

- 2. Discussion of individual parts of the site
  - making gender statistics;
  - gender issues (policies);
  - other parts
- 3. Problems related to data
  - collection issues (data collection cycle, questionnaire, potential data sources, cooperation with other international organizations);
  - list of indicators (data availability, definitions, metadata);
  - data presentation
- 4. Future development of the site
  - site maintenance;
  - emerging policy issues;
  - potential new indicators
  - maintaining the gender network

#### IV. ACCOMODATION, PASSPORT AND VISA REGULATIONS

Participants are requested to make their own hotel reservations. We recommend below several hotels in Geneva, which are located close to the UN building and city centre. For more information on accommodation please consult the Internet website <a href="http://www.unece.org/stats/geneva.e.html">http://www.unece.org/stats/geneva.e.html</a> (follow the link "Hotels in Geneva"). This site provides also useful information on Geneva and the UN. The prices are also available on-line at the addresses provided below.

#### **HOTEL LIDO \*\***

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Participants are advised to book accommodation as early as possible.

All participants attending the meetings and persons accompanying them are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas should be made as early as possible to the Embassy of Switzerland in the country in which the participants reside (or the country nearest to theirs). Visa applications should refer to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and the Work Session on Gender Statistics (23-25 September 2002, Geneva, Switzerland) and/or to the Task Force Meeting on Gender Statistics Website for Europe and North America (25-26 September 2002, Geneva, Switzerland).

#### V. REGISTRATION, SECURITY MEASURES

Please fill in the attached Conference registration form (separately for the Work Session and Task Force meeting) and send it to the secretariat by fax (+41 22 9170040 or +41 22 9170546) by 30 August 2002 so that it may be processed well in advance of the meetings.

In order to enter the Palais des Nations where the meetings will be held, all participants need to obtain a security pass (ID card). For this purpose, please present yourself with your passport at the Villa les Feuillantines (shown on the attached map) by 9:00 at the latest on Monday, 23 September 2002 (participants of both meetings) or by 13:00 on Wednesday, 25 September 2002 (participants of the Task Force only). Participants are requested to keep this ID card with them at all times for the duration of the meetings.

Two gates can be used for entering the UN premises: the pedestrian passage at Place des Nations (buses 5, 8 and 18, stop Nations) and the Pregny Gate (Avenue de la Paix, 14, buses 8 and 18, stop Appia).

#### VI. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

All queries concerning the meetings should be addressed to:

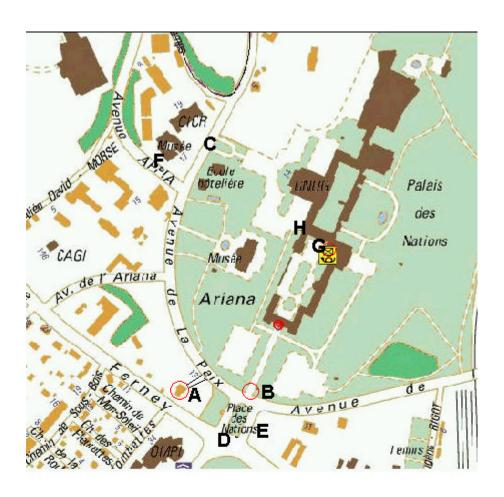
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Map of the UN premises and the UN Security Unit (Villa les Feuillantines) where participants can obtain a security pass



A - SECURITY, Villa les Feuillantines Avenue de la Paix 13 Open from Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. (non-stop)

- B Place des Nations gate
- C Pregny gate
- D Bus stop "Nations" (no. 5) E Bus stop "Nations" (no. 8)
- F Bust stop "Appia" (no. 5, 8, 18)
- G Door 6 the main entrance to UN building where information about the ongoing meetings is posted H - Door 11

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