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Joint ECE/Eurostat Seminar on migration statistics
Organized in cooperation with UNFPA
(Geneva, 21-23 March 2005)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TENTATIVE TIMETABLE

The meeting will start on Monday, 21 March 2005, at 10:00 a.m.
Salle VII, Palais des Nations, Geneva*

SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE SEMINAR

1. Topic 1: Migration stocks: information needs, definitions and sources

Session 1: Information needs on stocks of migrants: various perspectives

Session 2: Concepts used to identify the stock of immigrants and related statistical sources

**2. Topic 2: International migration and ethno-cultural characteristics in the UNECE
Recommendations for the 2010 Census round**

Session 3: International migration

Session 4: Ethnicity, religion, and language

**3. Migration statistics issues to be brought to the attention of the Conference of European
Statisticians**

4. Information session

5. Future work

6. Adoption of the report

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TENTATIVE TIMETABLE

Time	ten	Session/Activity	Doc. number
MONDAY, 21 MARCH 2005			
8:30-10:00	Registration of participants		
10:00-10:30 10:30-10:50		Opening of the meeting and welcoming comments Adoption of the agenda and designation of officers	INF.2
Topic 1: Migration stocks: information needs, definitions and sources			
10:40-11:20	1.	Session I: Information needs on stocks of migrants: various perspectives <i>What are the information needs emerging from the users' side?</i> <i>Different perspectives exist: national and international, immigration and emigration countries, research community, policy-makers, etc. Many diverse challenges are posed to the producers of official data on migrants' stocks.</i>	
10:40- 11:00		♦ Data needs in the context of European Union policy-making (A.Kraler, ICMPD)	WP. 2
11:00- 11:20		♦ Data needs of sending countries: what data to identify the diaspora? (E.Galanxhi, Albania)	WP. 3
11:20-11:40	Coffee break		
11:40-13:00	1.	Session I: Information needs on stocks of migrants: various perspectives (Cont.):	
11:40- 12:00		♦ Data needs on diaspora from a policy perspective (D.Ionescu, IOM)	WP. 4
12:00- 12:20		♦ Data needs from a research perspective (J.Schoorl, NIDI, Netherlands)	WP. 5
12:20- 12:40		♦ Discussant: Werner Haug (Switzerland)	
12:40- 13:00		Discussion	
13:00-15:00	Lunch break		
15:00-16:00	1.	Session I: Information needs on stocks of migrants: various perspectives (Cont.):	
15:00- 16:00		Discussion (cont.)	
16:00-16:20	Tea break		

Time	ten	Session/Activity	Doc. number
16:20-18:00	1.	Session II: Concepts used to identify the stock of immigrants and related statistical sources <i>National approaches and definitions used to identify immigrant population (foreigners, foreign-born, immigrants, ethnic groups, etc.): advantages and drawbacks of the various approaches adopted. Censuses, registers, permits of stay, labour force surveys, etc.: do these sources speak to each other within individual countries?</i>	
16:20-16:40		♦ An assessment of definitions and sources on stocks in EU countries (M.Poulain, THESIM project)	WP. 6
16:40-17:00		♦ Counting immigrants and expatriates: a recent experience (J.C. Dumont, OECD)	WP. 7
17:00-17:20		♦ Definitions and sources in the context of CIS countries (O.Chudinovskikh, Moscow State University)	WP. 8
17:20-18:00		♦ Discussion (first part)	

TUESDAY, 22 MARCH 2005

Topic 1: Migration stocks: information needs, definitions and sources			
9:30-10:50	1.	Session II: Concepts used to identify the stock of immigrants and related statistical sources (cont.)	
9:30-9:50		♦ Immigrant stock statistics - the Australian perspective (G.Bode, Australia)	WP. 9
9:50-10:10		♦ Measuring emigration through census data: the American Community Survey as a case study (M. Michalowski, Canada)	WP. 10
10:10-10:30		♦ Comparison and integration of different sources for determining the legal foreign population stock (C.Giovannelli, Italy)	WP. 11
10:30-10:50		♦ Immigrants' stock in the United Kingdom (E.Wright, United Kingdom)	WP. 12
10:50-11:10	Coffee break		
11:10-12:30	1.	Session II: Concepts used to identify the stock of immigrants and related statistical sources (cont.)	
11:10-11:30		Discussant: Catherine Borrel (INSEE, France)	
11:30-12:30		Discussion (second part)	

12:30-14:30	Lunch break		
Topic 2: International migration and ethno-cultural characteristics in the UNECE Recommendations for the 2010 Census round			
14:30-15:30	2.	Session III: international migration	
14:30- 15:20		♦ Issues and proposals on internal and international migration for the ECE-Eurostat Recommendations for the 2010 Round of Population and Housing Censuses (ECE-Eurostat)	WP. 13
15:20- 15:30		♦ Identifying and measuring refugees and Internally Displaced Persons (UNHCR)	WP.15
15:30-15:50	Tea break		
15:50-17:30	2.	Session III: international migration (Cont.)	
15:50- 17:30		Discussion	

WEDNESDAY, 23 MARCH 2005			
Topic 2: International migration and ethno-cultural characteristics in the UNECE Recommendations for the 2010 Census round			
9:30-11:00	2.	Session IV: ethnicity, religion, and language	
9:30-10:00		♦ Issues and proposals on ethno-cultural characteristics for the ECE-Eurostat Recommendations for the 2010 Round of Population and Housing Censuses (Switzerland, as chair of the Task-Force)	WP. 16
10:00-11:00		Discussion	
11:00-11:20	Coffee break		
11:20-12:10	3.	Migration statistics issues to be brought to the attention of the Conference of European Statisticians	
12:10-12:30	4.	Information session	WP. 17
12:30-14:30	Lunch break		
14:30-16:00	5.	Future work	
		Discussion on further work	
16:00-16:20	Tea break		
16:20-17:30	6.	Adoption of the report and closing of the seminar	Draft report