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**Economic Commission for Europe  
Conference of European Statisticians**

## **Joint UNECE/ILO Meeting on the CPI Manual**

**7 May 2008, starting at 9:30  
Palais des Nations, Geneva,  
Room XXIV**

### **Provisional agenda**

1. Welcome and administrative matters
2. Introduction to the CPI Manual and to the Practical Guide to Compiling CPIs: a supplementary handbook to the CPI Manual
3. Presentation and discussion of the CPI Manual and the Handbook
4. Conclusion of the meeting

### **TENTATIVE TIMETABLE**

**09.30-09.40 Item 1: Welcome and administrative matters**

**09.40-10.20 Item 2: Introduction to the CPI Manual and to the Practical Guide to Compiling CPIs: a supplementary handbook to the CPI Manual**

09.40-10.10 Presenter: David Fenwick, ONS, UK  
References: CPI Manual: Theory and practice; Supplementary Handbook to the CPI Manual

10.10-10.20 General discussion and comments on the manuals

**10.20-17.20 Item 3: Presentation and discussion of the CPI Manual and the Handbook**

**10.20-10.40 Scope and Uses of CPI**

Presenter: Valentina Stoevska, ILO  
References: Chapters 2 and 3 of the CPI Manual, and Chapters 2 and 3 of the Handbook

**10.40-11.00 Price collection**

Presenter: Nicholas Nsowah-Nuamah, Ghana Statistical Service, Ghana  
References: Chapter 6 of the CPI Manual, and Chapter 6 of the Handbook

11.00–11.20 Coffee break

**11.20–11.40 Substitution, quality changes and new products**

Presenter: Irina Goryatcheva, Service for State Statistics (RosStat), Russian Federation  
References: Chapters 7 and 8 of the CPI Manual, and Chapters 7 and 8 of the Handbook

**11.40–12.00 Index computation, chain linking and re-weighting**

Presenter: To be confirmed  
References: Chapter 9 of the CPI Manual, and Chapter 10 of the Handbook

**12.00-12.30 Discussion of country experiences**

12.30-14.30 Lunch

**14.30–14.50 Expenditure weights and their sources**

Presenter: John Morris, Statistics New Zealand  
References: Chapter 4 of the CPI Manual, and Chapter 4 of the Handbook

- 14.50–15.10 **Sampling**  
Presenter: Carsten Boldsen Hansen, UNECE  
References: Chapter 5 of the CPI Manual, and Chapter 5 of the Handbook
- 15.10–15.30 **Treatment of special cases**  
Presenter: David Fenwick, ONS, UK  
References: Chapter 10 of the CPI Manual and Chapter 9 of the Handbook
- 15.30–15.50 **Discussion of country experiences**
- 15.50–16.10 Coffee break
- 16.10–16.25 **Errors and bias**  
Presenter: Carsten Boldsen Hansen, UNECE  
References: Chapter 11 of the CPI Manual, and Chapters 12 and 13 of the Handbook
- 16.25–16.40 **Organization and management**  
Presenter: Djoret Biaka Tedang, AFRISTAT  
References: Chapter 12 of the CPI Manual, and Chapters 15, 16 and 18 of the Handbook
- 16.40–16.55 **Publication, dissemination and related issues**  
Presenter: David Fenwick, ONS, UK  
References: Chapter 13 of the CPI Manual, and Chapters 11 and 14 of the Handbook
- 16.55–17.10 **CPI/ICP Integration**  
Presenter: Patrick Kelly, Statistics South Africa  
References: Annex 4 of the CPI Manual and Chapter 17 of the Handbook
- 17.10–17.20 **Discussion of country experiences**
- 17.20–17.30 **Item 4: Conclusion of the meeting**

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