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**Joint ECE/Eurostat/OECD Meeting on the Management of Statistical Information Systems (MSIS)**  
(Geneva, 17-19 May 2004)

### PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

The meeting will begin on Monday, 17 May 2004 at 9.30 a.m. in Room XXV at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. Delegates are kindly asked to pick up their entry passes at the Security Identification Office, Villa Les Feuillantines, 13, avenue de la Paix\*. The Office is open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Delegates are advised to arrive early to pick up the entry passes – a longer waiting time may be expected after 9 a.m. because there are numerous meetings scheduled to begin that day.

Time	Topic	Documentation
17 May 2004 09:30-09:45	Opening of the meeting, adoption of the agenda	CES/AC.71/2004/1 and Add.1
09:45-16:00	<b>Topic (i): Web technology in statistical information systems</b> Discussant: Marton Vucsan (Netherlands)	
	Using PKI for the Census (Canada)	CES/AC.71/2004/3
	Practical experience towards implementing SDMX at OECD (OECD)	CES/AC.71/2004/4
	Saving time and money: web questionnaires from the “assembly line” (Austria)	CES/AC.71/2004/5
	Web-based data dissemination services of the statistical information system GENESIS (Germany)	CES/AC.71/2004/6
	The use of a data capture tool in statistical surveys on enterprises (Italy)	CES/AC.71/2004/7
	The ALTINN portal. A common portal for reporting data from private industry to governmental institutions (Norway)	CES/AC.71/2004/8
	Web-supported statistical dissemination process serving statistical data users (Slovenia)	CES/AC.71/2004/9
	Internet data collection at the U.S. Census Bureau - The census taker system (United States)	CES/AC.71/2004/10
ConIstat-on-line: short-term statistics time-series database in Web environment (Italy)	WP.1	
10:50-11:10	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	

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<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Documentation</b>
12:30-14:30	<b>Lunch break</b>	
14:30-16:00	General discussion and conclusions	
15:30-15:50	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
<b>16:00-17:30</b>	<b>Topic (ii): Development of IT strategies in statistical offices</b> Discussant: Dayantha Joshua (United Kingdom)	
	Metadata-driven integrated statistical data management system (Latvia)	CES/AC.71/2004/11
	Development strategies at Statistics Netherlands (Netherlands)	CES/AC.71/2004/12
	Building OECD's new statistical information system (OECD)	CES/AC.71/2004/13
	The IT policy of Statistics Sweden (Sweden)	CES/AC.71/2004/14
	Integrated meta database as a basis for development (Croatia)	CES/AC.71/2004/20
	Computer system architecture development at Goskomstat (Russian Federation)	CES/AC.71/2004/23
	MODEM and DEMO-GEODEMO: an integrated official web-based system for the collection and dissemination of demographic data (Italy)	WP.2
	Statistical information system (Armenia)	WP.3
17 :30	<b>EOB</b>	
<b>18 May 2004</b> <b>09:30-11:45</b>	<b>Topic (ii) continued</b>	
09:50-10:20	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
10:20-11:45	General discussion and conclusions	
<b>11:45-17:30</b>	<b>Topic (iii): Open source and software consortia in statistics</b> Discussant: Richard Swartz (United States)	
	Eurostat and open source (Eurostat)	CES/AC.71/2004/15
	The PC-Axis Software family – A “consortium” for output databases (Sweden)	CES/AC.71/2004/16 and /Add.1
	Open source for statistics – a stairway to heaven? (Norway)	CES/AC.71/2004/17
	Open source software and the management of statistical institute information technologies (Azerbaijan)	CES/AC.71/2004/18
	Free and open source software at the U.S. Census Bureau: building shared statistical dissemination systems (United States)	CES/AC.71/2004/19
12:30-14:30	<b>Lunch break</b>	
15:30-16:00	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
16:20-17:30	General Discussion and conclusions	
17:30	<b>EOB</b>	
<b>19 May 2004</b> <b>09:30-10:30</b>	<b>General discussion on lessons learned from Topics (i), (ii) and (iii) and suggestions for future work</b>	
<b>10:30-12:00</b>	<b>Topic (iv): Annual review of the website on IT practices in national statistical offices</b> Discussant: Lars Thygesen (OECD)	
	Review of the "Website on IT practices in national statistical offices" (OECD),	CES/AC.71/2004/21
11:00-11:20	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
<b>12:00-15:30</b>	<b>Topic (v): Review and follow-up to the activities of the Conference of European Statisticians</b> Discussant: Juraj Riecan (UNECE)	
	Questionnaire on e-Government in Statistics (Canada)	CES/AC.71/2004/CRP.2
	Review and follow-up to the activities of the Conference of European Statisticians (UNECE)	CES/AC.71/2004/22
	Statistical Metadata	CES/AC.71/2004/22/Add.1
	Other activities	CES/AC.71/2004/22/Add.2 CES/2003/26 ;CES/2002/28
12:30-14:30	<b>Lunch break</b>	
15:30	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>	
<b>16 :00</b>	<b>Adoption of the report and conclusions of the meeting</b>	CES/AC.71/2004/CRP.1 and addenda
16:30	<b>EOB</b>	