

**CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS**

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Third meeting of the 2006/2007 Bureau  
Geneva, 12-13 February 2007

Item 10 of the Provisional  
Agenda

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNECE STATISTICAL PROGRAMME 2006**

**Note prepared by the UNECE secretariat**

1. Traditionally, the UNECE secretariat informs the CES Bureau in February about the implementation of the UNECE Statistical Programme for the preceding year. In October 2006, the CES Bureau decided to link the evaluations of the annual Statistical Programme and the UN Progress Performance Report, and approved the table that contains the main elements needed for both evaluations.
2. The table provides a short summary of the activities carried out by the UNECE Statistical Division under the UNECE Statistical Programme, including explanations about the activities that have not progressed as planned. After the February Bureau meeting, the secretariat will aggregate the information contained in the table to compile the performance indicators that are needed for the Programme Performance Report and will add some complementary information that cannot be derived directly from the table.
3. The Report on the implementation of the 2006 UNECE Statistical Programme by the Statistical Division is attached. The Bureau is invited to approve the evaluations presented in the Report.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF UNECE STATISTICAL PROGRAMME 2006

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		- achieved - partially achieved - postponed - cancelled	- as planned in SP 2006 - some progress - no progress	- yes/no - which org.	number of participants	satisfaction % <sup>1</sup>	adopted - yes - no	number of countries	number of participants
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.1	Database of International Statistical Activities	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
1.2	Annual UNECE Statistical Programme	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
1.3	Secretariat support for the work of the CES and its Bureau	achieved	as planned	no	190+15+26	94%	no	n/a	
1.4	Handbook of Official Statistics	cancelled	some progress-the concept was discussed but the maintenance of the Handbook by UNECE was not considered necessary	no	n/a		no	n/a	
1.5	Coordination of technical cooperation in Central Asia	achieved	as planned, Report will be presented to the February Bureau Meeting 2007	Paris21, IMF, the World Bank, OECD, Eurostat DFID, INSEE	n/a		no	n/a	
2.1	Economic data collection, analysis and advice (Macroeconomic database)	achieved	as planned, external review carried out, recommendations endorsed by EXCOM	UN DESA	n/a		no	n/a	
2.2	Gender statistics database	achieved	as planned, external review carried out, recommendations endorsed by EXCOM	no	n/a		no	n/a	
2.3	Coordination of UNECE statistical databases	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
2.4	Statistical Profiles of UNECE countries	partially	some progress within the limits of resources, publication to be released in April 2007	no	n/a		no	n/a	
2.5	Support to external clients	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
2.6	Promotional activities	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
3.1	Indicators related to the goals contained in the Millennium Declaration	achieved	as planned	UNICEF, UNDP	33	100%	no	2	33
3.2	Statistical information processing	achieved	as planned	OECD, Eurostat	57	96%	no	n/a	
3.3	Statistical data editing	achieved	as planned	no	61	92%	no	n/a	

<sup>1</sup> Percentage of assessments of the quality of the meeting as 'very good' or 'good' on the evaluation questionnaires.

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3.4	Statistical confidentiality and access to microdata	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		CES guidelines on confidentiality and access to microdata adopted	n/a	
3.5	Statistical metadata	achieved	some progress, deadline for Part C of the metadata framework postponed	OECD Eurostat	98	100%	no	n/a	
3.6	Managing statistical output for dissemination	achieved	as planned	no	75	97%	no	n/a	
3.7	National accounts	achieved	as planned	Eurostat, OECD	120	95%	no	2	25
3.8	Consumer price indices (CPI)	achieved	as planned	ILO	90	96%		n/a	
3.9	Agriculture statistics – Task force on rural development	it was decided to phase out ECE involvement in this activity after publishing the Handbook	as planned	FAO, OECD, Eurostat	n/a		Rural Handbook finalised	n/a	
3.10	Business registers	achieved	as planned	Eurostat	n/a		no	n/a	
3.11	Migration statistics	achieved	as planned	Eurostat, UNFPA	107	90%	no	17	35
3.12	Population and housing censuses	achieved	as planned	UNFPA UNESCAP	20	100%	CES Census Recommendations for 2010 adopted	6	20
3.13	Labour statistics	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
3.14	Crime and justice statistics	achieved	as planned	UNODC	50	95%	no		
3.15	Health statistics	achieved	as planned	Eurostat, WHO	11	100%	no	5	11
3.16	Gender statistics	achieved	as planned	WB, UNFPA, UNDP	80	88%	no	25	45
3.17	Registers and administrative records for social and demographic statistics	achieved	as planned				no	n/a	
3.18	Statistical Journal of the UNECE	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
3.19	Sustainable development statistics	achieved	as planned	Eurostat, OECD	more than 120 (6	95%	no	n/a	

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3.20	Social statistics	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
3.21	Families and households	achieved	as planned	no	n/a		no	n/a	
4.1	Short-term technical cooperation	partially achieved	as planned, with the exception of the Global Assessments of National Statistical systems (none carried out in 2006)	18 missions and other activities  EFTA, EU, European Council, Paris21, UNESCAP, UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA	n/a		no	18	more than 200 <sup>2</sup>
4.2	Medium-term technical cooperation	achieved	as planned	UNESCAP, UNSD, UNFPA, ABS, the World Bank, NCHS	more than 50 (3 Training Workshops or preparatory activities)	96 %	no	7	more than 50 <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> The participants in activities 4.1 and 4.2 partially overlap with participants in technical assistance in other activities