

Workshop on the implementation 2008 SNA in EECCA countries and linkages with BPM6 and GFSM 2014
Provisional Agenda and Time Table

| Wednesday, 6 May | |
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| 09:00 – 10:00 | <p>Opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening (Turkstat, UNECE, EFTA) - Roundtable: Presentation of participants and expectations from the workshop |
| Session 1 | Policy relevance of macroeconomic data sets |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kurt Wass (Norway): Policy relevance of the main macroeconomic sets –background - Johann Björgvinsson (Iceland): IPSAS – practical use for budgeting and benefits in terms of how GFS statistics and fiscal indicators can be extracted from the budgetary system |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Coffee break |
| 10:45 – 11:30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eurostat: Use of statistics for economic governance and surveillance in the European Union - Macroeconomic Imbalance Procedure - IMF: The importance of balance sheet information <p>Questions and comments</p> |
| Session 2 | Implementation of the 2008 SNA, BPM6 and GFSM 2014: coordination, data exchange and institutional arrangements |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eurostat: Implementation and coordination of macroeconomic statistics in EU and Euro Area countries - IMF: Status of reporting of data according to BPM6 and GFSM 2014 – reporting of balance sheet data and IMF efforts to improve cross-sector consistency of data - Belarus: Transition of National Accounts of the Republic of Belarus to 2008 SNA Methodology and Interaction between Producers of Official Statistics |
| 12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 – 15:45 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Republic of Moldova: National Accounts - Achieved Results and Development Prospects, Balance of Payments - Achieved goals and future developments - Ukraine: Transition to BPM6 - Case of Ukraine - Georgia: Readiness for Effective Cooperation – The New Challenge for Central Banks - Turkey: Implementation of the 2008 SNA, BPM6 and GFSM 2014 <p>Questions and comments</p> |
| 15:45 – 16:00 | Coffee break |
| 16:00 – 17:30 | Group discussion 1 |
| | <p>The groups will discuss the following points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Status of the implementation of the revised standards SNA, BPM6 and GFSM – main priorities, most challenging areas 2. Current institutional coordination practises – strengths and weaknesses 3. Strategies to increase country capacities to report on entire frameworks, including balance sheets |
| 19:00 | Official dinner offered by EFTA |

Thursday, 7 May

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| Session 2 | Implementation of the 2008 SNA, BPM6 and GFSM 2014: coordination, data exchange and institutional arrangements (cont'd) |
| 9:00 – 10:45 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ECB: ESCB statistics for European policy making <p><i>Consistency between national and international accounts</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eurostat: Impact of BPM6 on the EU 28 balance of payments and international investment position - UNECE: BPM6 and 2008 SNA recommendations on processing and merchanting – data requirements <p>Questions and comments</p> |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Coffee break |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | <p>Reporting the results of the Group discussion on day 1 (2-3 countries per group, 10 min per group)</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch |
| Session 3 | Selected methodological and practical issues: |
| 13:30 – 15:30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Johann Björgvinsson (Iceland): Sectorization and measurement of production - ECB: The financial sector – subsectors, units and main data issues - Azerbaijan: The Financial Corporations Sector, its subsectors and Institutional Units - Eurostat: General Government – methodological treatment of selected cases from the EU - Armenia: General government sector of the Republic of Armenia <p>Questions and comments</p> |
| 15:30 – 15:45 | Coffee break |
| 15:45 – 17:30 | Group Discussion 2 |
| | <p>The purpose of this group discussion is to identify general methodological problems related to the measurement of the government and financial sectors: how the decisions on the sectorial classification of units or on the recording and valuation of their transactions (output) is taken, how this is consistently applied in the macroeconomic data sets.</p> <p>The participants should bring real cases that have caused discussions in their countries to be presented in the groups.</p> <p>The participants could also share priorities and strategies to address the methodological issues, consistency issues, and suggest follow up work.</p> |
| 19:00 | Dinner |

| Friday, 8 May | |
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| 09:00 – 11:15 | Reporting results from the group session on Day 2 (10 minutes per group) General discussion on the outcomes of group sessions 1 and 2 |
| 11:15 – 11:30 | Coffee break |
| 11:30 – 12:45 | Panel discussion (Eurostat, ECB, EFTA, UNECE, IMF) |
| 12:45 – 13:00 | Conclusions, recommended further work and closing |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch |