

# Seminar on the Role of National Statistical Offices in the production of Leading, Composite and Sentiment Indicators

Geneva, 8-10 December 2015, Palais des Nations, Room IX

## Provisional Timetable

Tuesday, 8 December 2015	
INTRODUCTION, SETTING THE SCENE	
9:00 – 9:10	Welcome and opening addresses
<b>SESSION I</b>	<b>ISSUES SPECIFIC TO ECONOMIC INDICATORS</b> <i>Session Chair/ Discussant: Daniel Roash, Central Bureau of Statistics of Israel and Stefan Sperlich, University of Geneva</i>
09:10 – 09:15	Introduction
09:15 – 10:35	<p>Composite indicators: the INSEE's experience <i>Catherine Renne, National Institute for Statistics and Economic Studies in France</i></p> <p>Activity Index and Export Managers Index – a Swedish case study <i>Monica Nelson Edberg, Statistics Sweden</i></p> <p>Real Sector Confidence Index for Turkey <i>Emel Dinçer, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey</i></p> <p>Forecasting industrial production index based on expectations from business tendency survey <i>Daniel Roash, Central Bureau of Statistics of Israel</i></p>
10:35 -10:50	Discussion
<b>10:50 – 11:10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:10 – 12:10	<p>ISTAT experience in the compilation of an Italian Economic Sentiment Indicator <i>Solange Leproux, National Institute for Statistics in Italy</i></p> <p>Monitoring Indicator to Economy <i>Nicolas Chudt, National Administrative Department of Statistics of Colombia</i></p> <p>"Wavelet-based" variable selection methods and composite indicators: an application to the TCB-LEI <i>Marco Gallegati, Polytechnic University of Marche, Italy</i></p> <p><i>Room document:</i></p> <p>Introducing the ECB indicator on euro area industrial new orders <i>Gabe J. de Bondt, Heinz C. Dieden, Sona Muzikarova and Istvan Vincze</i></p>
12:10 – 12:25	Discussion
12:25 – 12:30	Conclusion of session I
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>

<b>SESSION II</b>	<b>ISSUES SPECIFIC TO SOCIAL INDICATORS</b> <i>Session Chair: Frank van de Pol, Statistics Netherlands</i> <i>Discussant: Pierre-Alain Pionnier, OECD</i>
14:00 – 14:05	Introduction
14:05 – 15:05	<p>Position of sentimental indicators on measuring quality of life - the theory and practise of Hungarian Central Statistical Office  <i>Rita Kelemen, Hungarian Central Statistical Office</i></p> <p>Value Functions and Fuzzy Measures. Good Practices for Composite Indices Modelling  <i>Luca Farnia, Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change, Marina Khoroshiltseva, European Centre for Living Technology</i></p> <p>Measuring quality of life - with a composite index?  <i>Jeroen Boelhouwer, The Netherlands Institute for Social Research</i></p>
15:05 – 15:20	Discussion
<b>15:20 – 15:40</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
15:40 – 16:40	<p>The OECD Better Life Index  <i>Pierre-Alain Pionnier, OECD</i></p> <p>The Well-being Index: the weights of different components. How to limit side-effects of acceptable perceptions  <i>Sérgio Bacelar, Statistics Portugal</i></p> <p>Developing Dashboards on Quality of Life in National Statistical Offices and International Organizations–Concepts, Process and Issues of International Comparability  <i>Susana Garcia Diez, Federal Statistical Office of Germany</i></p>
16:40 – 16:55	Discussion
16:55 – 17:00	Conclusion of session II
<b>17:00</b>	<b>Closing of first day</b>

Wednesday, 9 December 2015	
9:00 – 9:30	Keynote speech <i>Enrico Giovannini, UN Secretary General's Independent Expert Advisory Group on Data Revolution for Sustainable Development</i>
<b>SESSION III</b>	<b>THE ROLE OF NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICES IN THE COMPILATION OF LEADING, COMPOSITE AND SENTIMENT INDICATORS</b> <i>Session Chair: Mauro Politi, Italian National Institute of Statistics</i> <i>Discussant: Gian Luigi Mazzi, Eurostat</i>
09:30 – 09:35	Introduction
09:35 – 10:35	Indicators in Dutch economy: doing more with less <i>Jurriaan Biesheuvel, Statistics Netherlands</i>  Leading, Composite and Sentiment Indicators in Russia: Cooperation Between Rosstat and Think-Tanks is Needed <i>Sergey Smirnov, Higher School of Economics</i>  Developing the Good State Index with the use of objective and sentiment indicators in Hungary <i>Brigitta Zsom, Hungarian Central Statistical Office</i>
10:35 – 10:50	Discussion
<b>10:50 – 11:10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:10 – 12:10	Developing compilation guidance on composite indicators and tendency surveys <i>Herman Smith, UNSD</i>  User's need of indicators for evidence based decision making <i>Monica Nelson Edberg, Statistics Sweden</i>  Constructing a Human Development Index for Hungarian micro regions – possibilities and alternatives <i>Mate Farkas, Hungarian Central Statistical Office</i>
12:10 – 12:25	Discussion
12:25 – 12:30	Conclusion of session III
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
14:00 – 14:30	Regional perspective from the UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
14:30 – 15:00	Keynote speech <i>Jan Egbert Sturm, KOF Swiss Economic Institute</i>
<b>15:00 – 15:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
15:20 – 16:10	Work in groups addressing strategic issues and challenges <i>(participants will be split into groups to discuss different topics related to LCSII)</i>
16:10 – 17:00	Presenting results from group work
<b>17:00</b>	<b>Closing of second day</b>

**Thursday, 10 December 2015**

<b>SESSION IV</b>	<b>THE ROLE OF NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICES IN THE DISSEMINATION OF LEADING, COMPOSITE AND SENTIMENT INDICATORS</b> <i>Session Chair: Gian Luigi Mazzi, Eurostat</i> <i>Discussant: Mauro Polti, Italian National Institute of Statistics</i>
09:00 – 09:05	Introduction
09:05 – 10:25	<p>Complementing scoreboards with composite indicators: the new business cycle clock  <i>Gian Luigi Mazzi, Eurostat</i></p> <p>The role of NSOs in dissemination of Leading, Composite and Sentiment Indicators in the case of Business Tendency Surveys conducted by CSO of Poland  <i>Łukasz Gontarz, Central Statistical Office of Poland</i></p> <p>Composite indicators for monitoring regional development – seven years of Portuguese experience  <i>Maria Manuel Pinho, Statistics Portugal</i></p> <p>How to publish Facts and Views on Quality of life?  <i>Georgiana Aurelia Ivan, Eurostat</i></p>
10:25 – 10:40	Discussion
10:40 – 10:45	Conclusion of session IV
<b>10:45 – 11:05</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b>	<b>POSSIBLE FUTURE WORK BASED ON NEEDS OF NSO</b> <i>Chair: Christian Gayer, European Commission, DG for Economic and Financial Affairs</i>
11:05 – 11:30	Voting exercise <i>(Participants will be asked to vote on a number of specific proposals for future work)</i>
11:30 – 12:20	Panel discussion: <i>Dennis Fixler, Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States</i> <i>Rita Kelemen, Hungarian Central Statistical Office</i> <i>Mauro Politi, Italian National Institute of Statistics</i> <i>Leendert Hoven, Statistics Netherlands</i> <i>Monica Nelson Edberg, Statistics Sweden</i>
12:20 – 12:30	Conclusion and proposals for future work <i>Carsten Boldsen, UNECE</i>
<b>12:30</b>	<b>Closing of the Seminar</b>