

Meeting of the Group of Experts on Business Registers

Special Session on Country Progress Reports

- Summary of the CPRs 2016 -

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1. Structure of the country progress report

I. Organization, Population and Usage of the Statistical Business Register

1. Name of the register, 2. Organization responsible for holding the register, 3. Position of the register unit in the organization, 4. Number of employees, 5. Primary goal and use of the register, 6. Year of establishment, 7. Year(s) of main re-engineering, 8. Number of active enterprises or legal units, 9. Geographical coordinates

II. Progress and Developments in the Past Year

Main achievements (maximum 3)

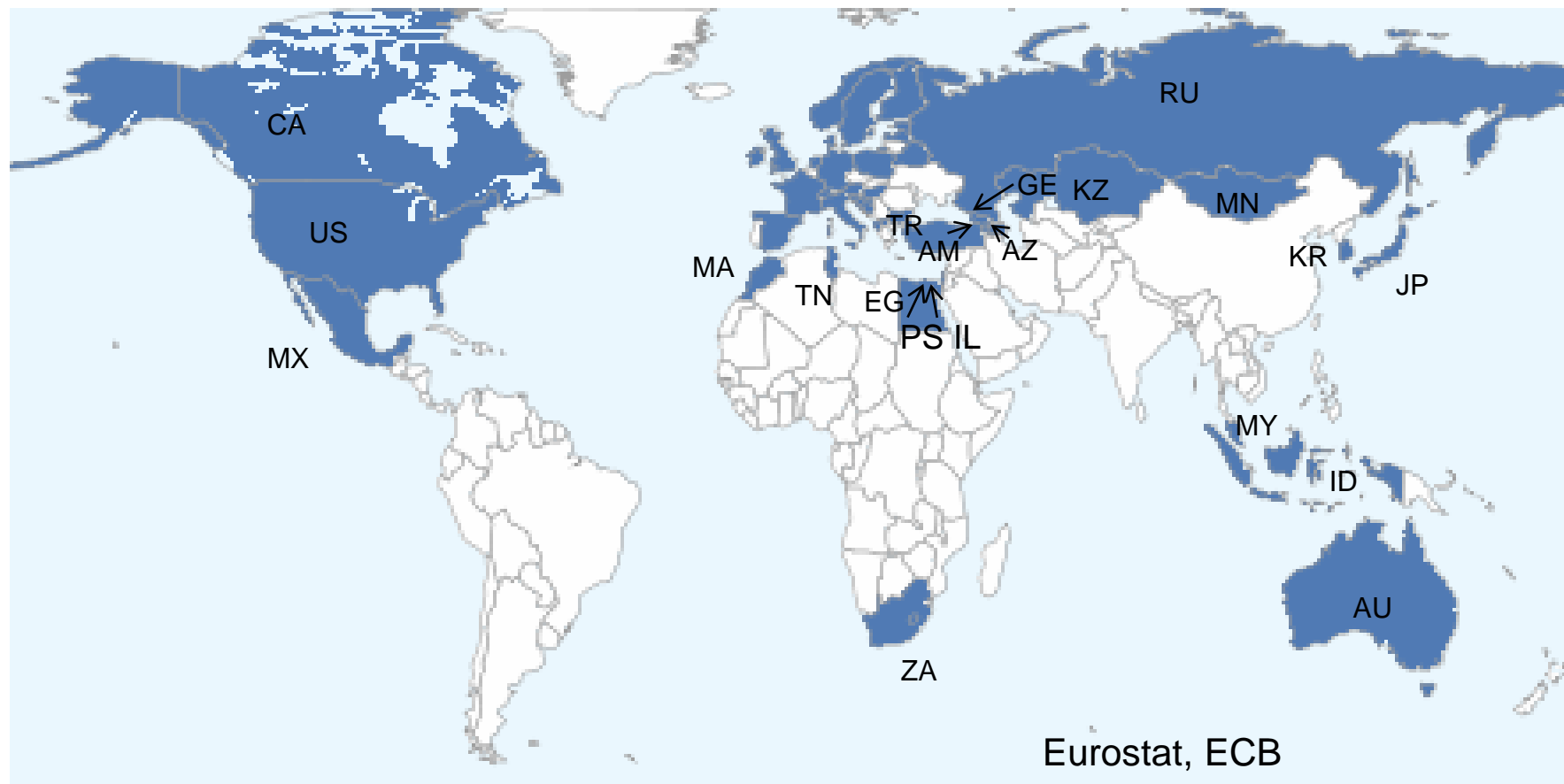
III. Future Plans

Main projects (maximum 3)

IV. Main Challenges

Main challenges (maximum 3) with respect to development, maintenance and use of the statistical business register

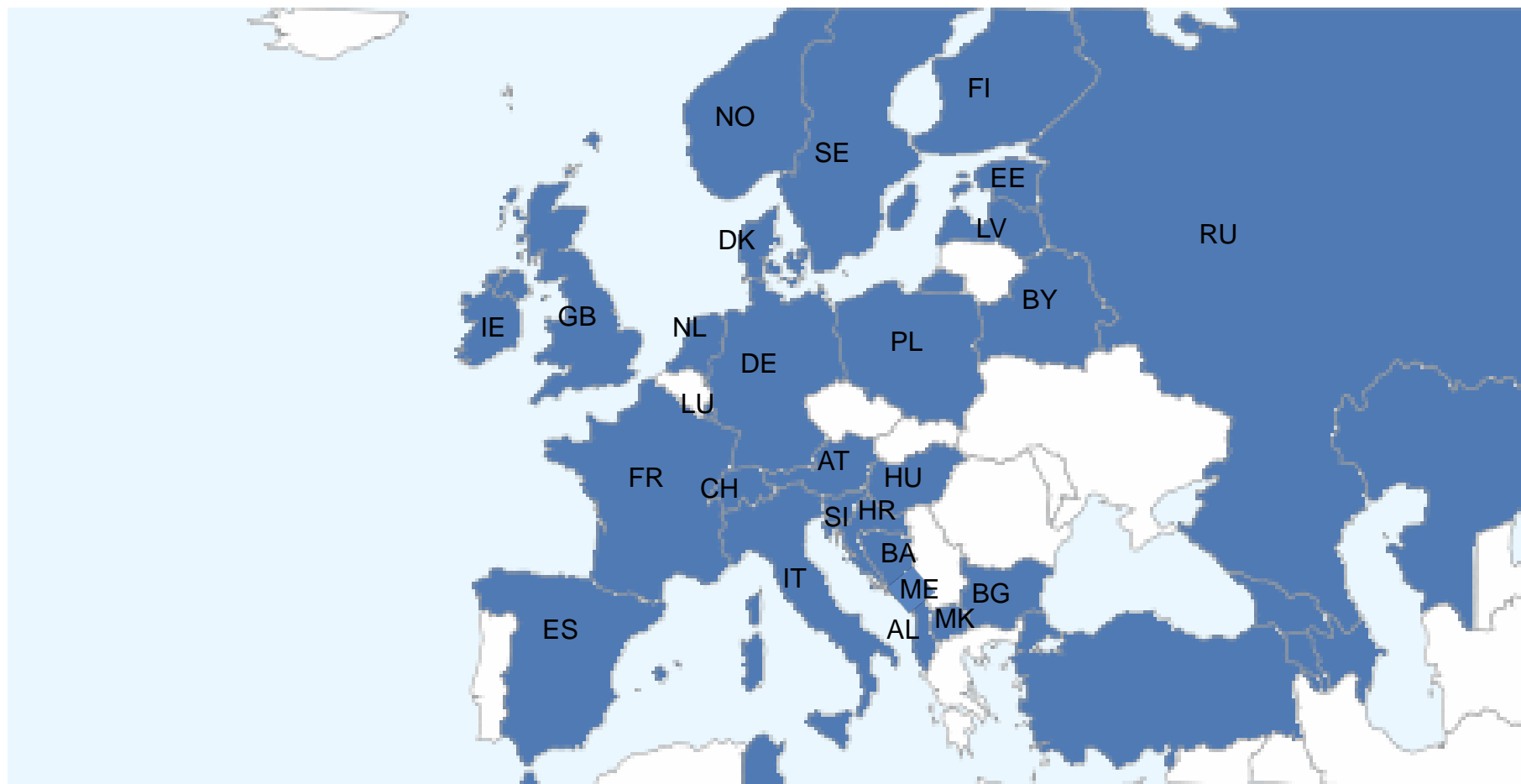
2. Country progress reports received (1)



- We have received 49 Country Progress Reports.



2. Country progress reports received (2)



Eurostat, ECB

➤ 57% of the Reports are from Europe.

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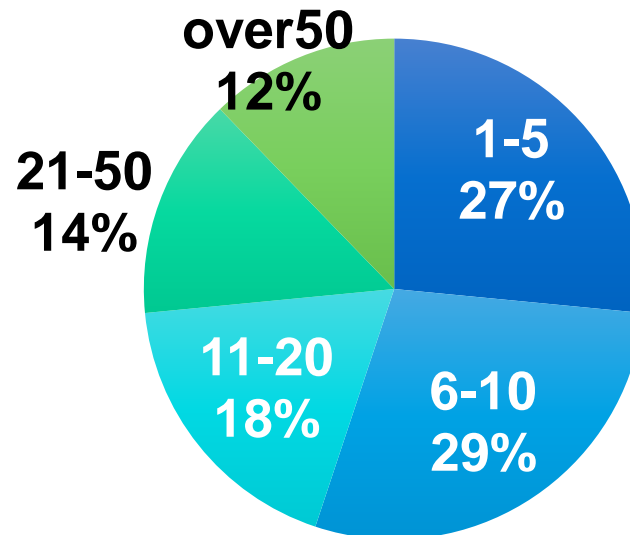


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3. Summary

A) Organization, Population and Usage of the SBR

1) Percentage of countries/organizations by **number of employees** in register units

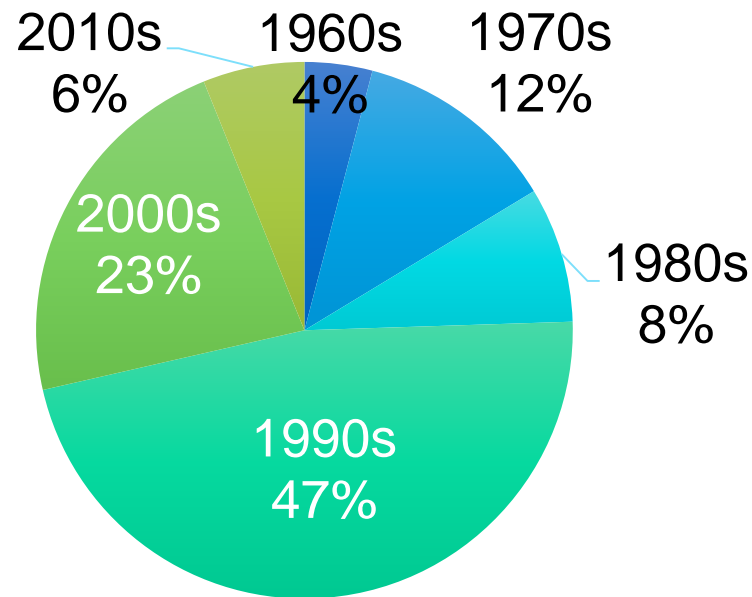


➤ 55% employ 10 or less employees for SBR.

3. Summary

A) Organization, Population and Usage of the SBR

2) Percentage of countries/organization by **period of establishment** of the register

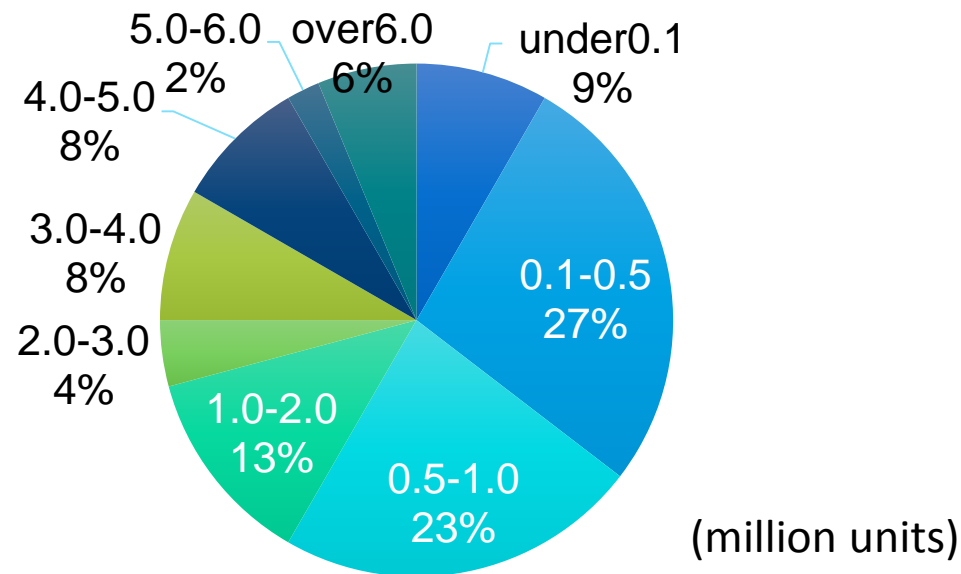


➤ 47% established SBR in the 1990s.

3. Summary

A) Organization, Population and Usage of the SBR

3) Percentage of countries/organizations by **size of SBR**



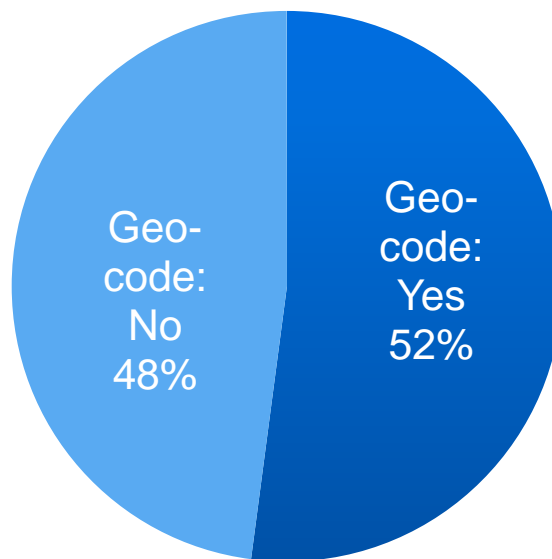
➤ 57% of SBRs have 1 million or less units.*

* Enterprises or Legal units

3. Summary

A) Organization, Population and Usage of the SBR

4) Percentage of countries/organizations by **assignment of geographical coordinates** to SBR



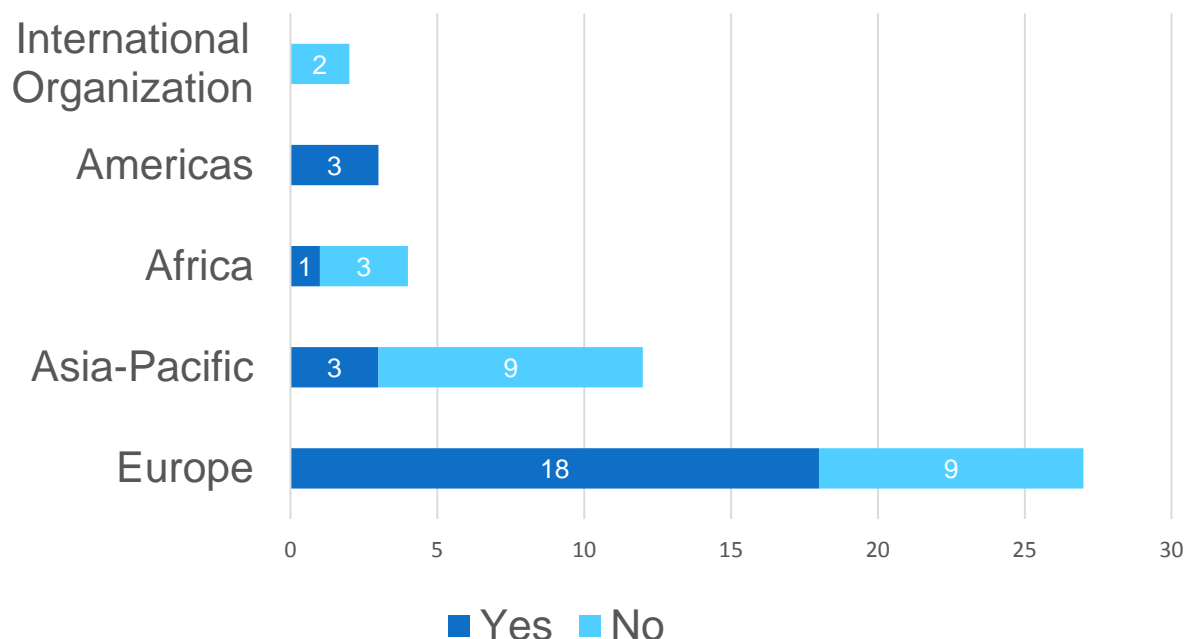
➤ 52% of SBRs have geographical coordinates.



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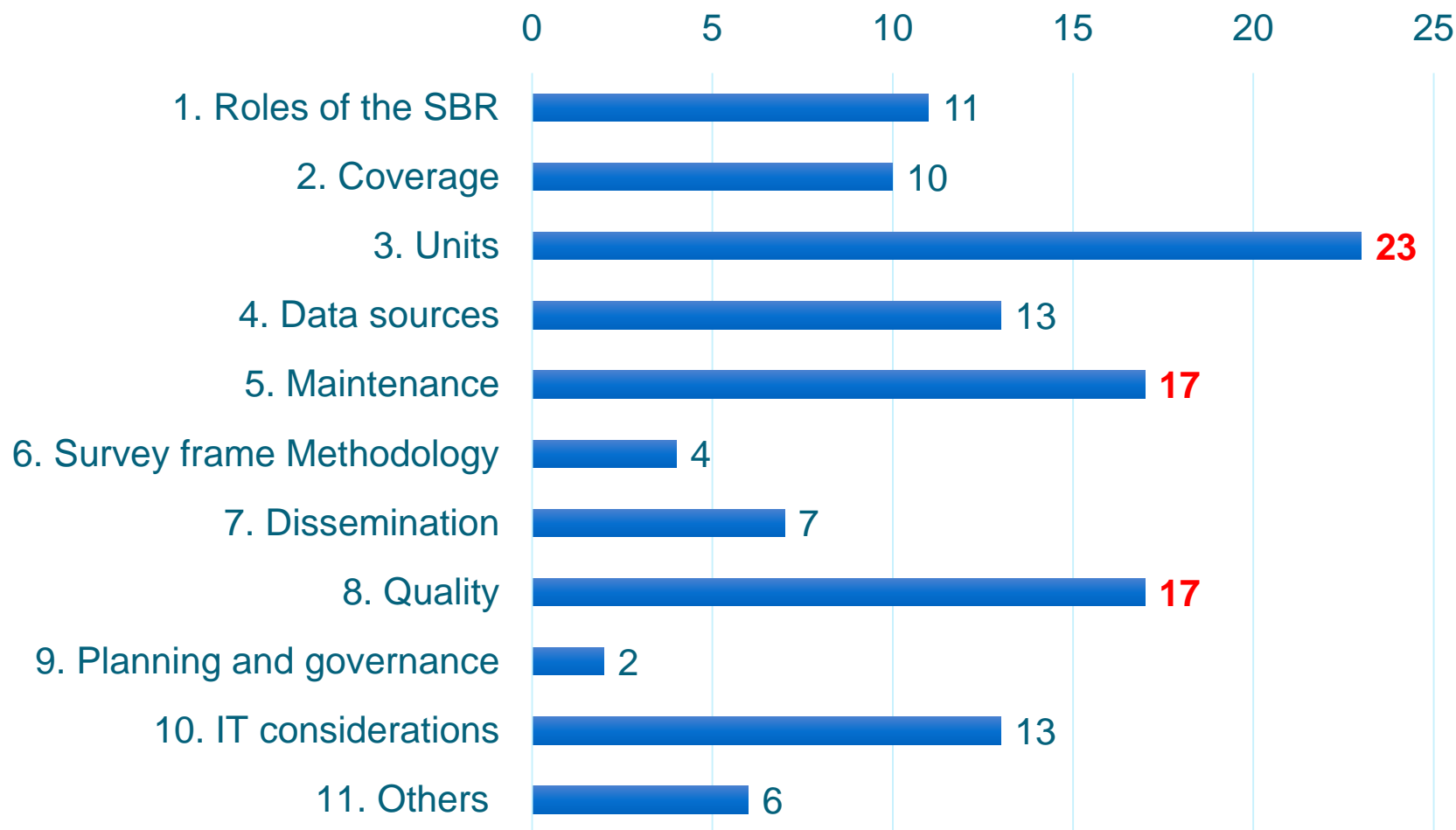
5) Number of countries/organizations by **region and assignment of geographical coordinates** to SBR



➤ There are some regional differences.

3. Summary:

B) Progress and Developments in 2016



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B) Progress and Developments in 2016

□ Top three items and their examples

1) Units

- Prepared Introduction of Enterprise Groups (EG)
- Handling big and complex Enterprise Groups by profiling
- Created Enterprise unit from the Enterprise Group
- Implemented automatic profiling / automatic delineation of enterprises
- Conceptual work / Implementation for “Kind-of-activity unit ”(KAU)
- Geocoding addresses in SBR
- Identification of foreign legal units

3. Summary:

B) Progress and Developments in 2016

□ Top three items and their examples

2) Maintenance

- Redesigned automatic maintenance procedures
 - Addition of new units
 - Reactivation of units
 - Automatic setting of “inactive” status of units
- Updated the SBR rules of creating Group Structure
- Collected unique identifications of foreign units of enterprise groups
- Involved in re-engineering of the Enterprise Group Register

3. Summary:

B) Progress and Developments in 2016

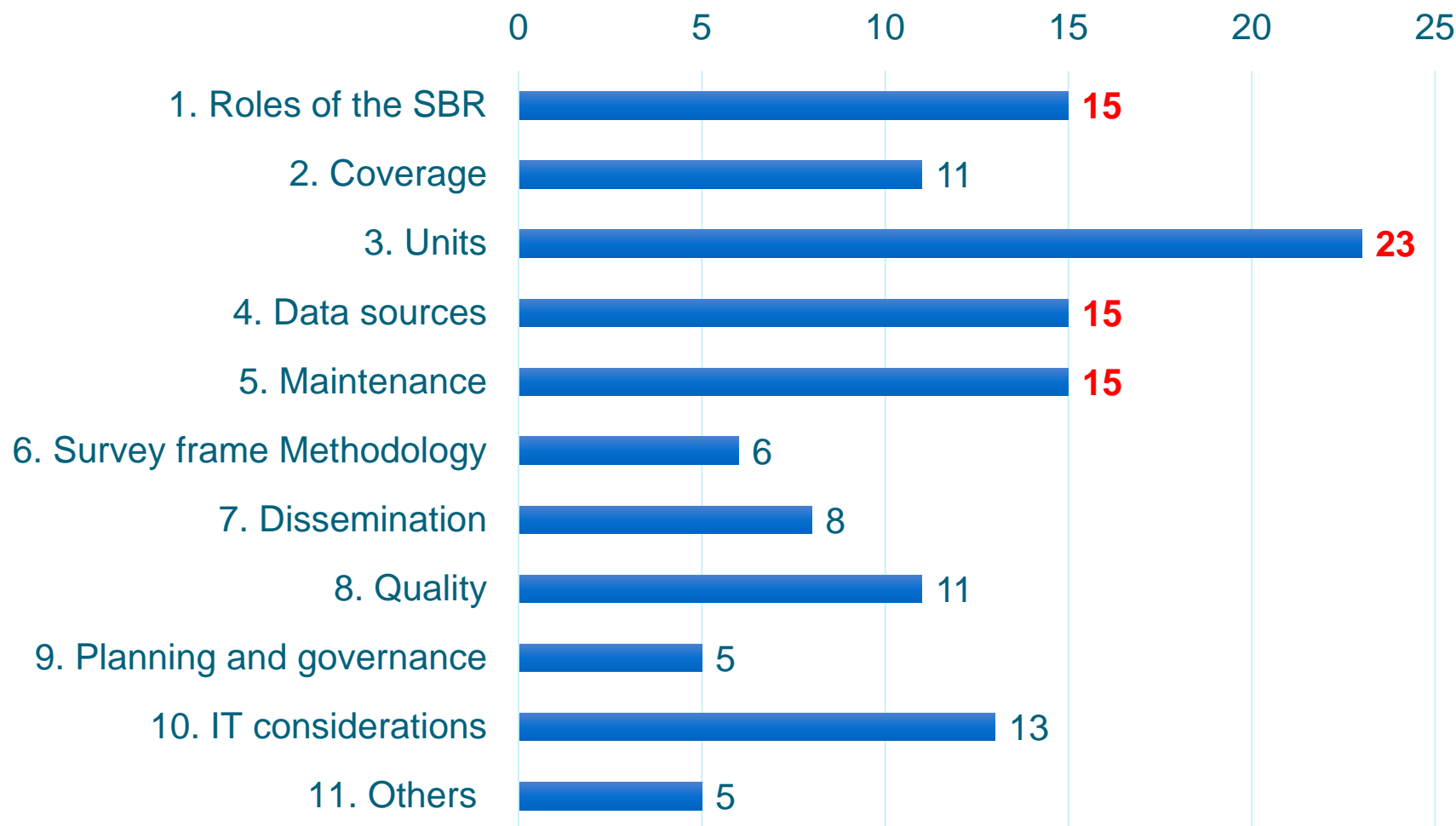
□ Top three items and their examples

3) Quality

- Developed Quality indicators
 - Quality indicators for industry codes
 - Quality indicators for EGR 2.0
- Analysis of nonresponse
- Improved the timeliness of the data
- Coherence project between SBS, BR and National Accounts
- Modernization of data collection method
- Conducted Economic Census

3. Summary:

C) Future plans



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□ Top three items and their examples

1) Units

- Setting up Enterprise Group Register
- Introducing Enterprise Group unit
- Introducing statistical unit “Enterprise”
- Delineation of Enterprises
- Profiling for creating homogeneous Enterprises
- Developing an e-form for profiling
- Improving definition of statistical units (KAU / enterprise)

3. Summary:

C) Future plans

□ Top three items and their examples

2) Roles of the SBR

- Establishment of Business Demography statistics
- Creation of a longitudinal, retrospectively updated business register
- Creating a unique identifier for each establishment
- Description of the BR updating process using GSBPM
- Linking Business Demography to data on Trade
- Preparation for the Economic Census

3. Summary:

C) Future plans

□ Top three items and their examples

3) Data Sources

- Introducing new variables about globalization (LEI number, nationality of the enterprise group ...) in the BR
- Checking and verifying data from administrative sources
- Loading Economic Census result
- Profiling the structure and activity of enterprises
- Exchange of micro data with another (domestic) organization for statistical purposes
- Seeking new data sources

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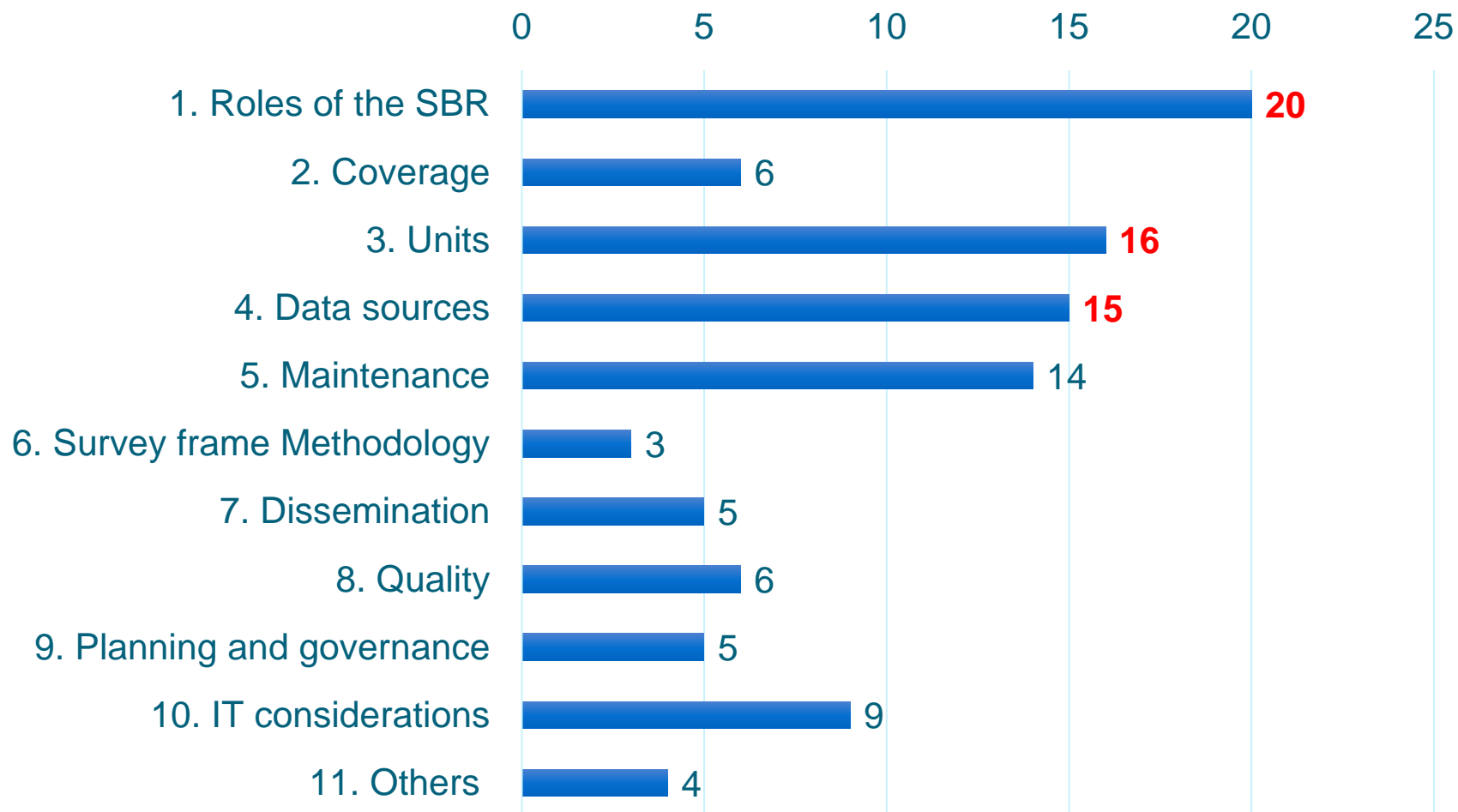
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4) Maintenance

- Changing to a new platform for exchange of data with administrative business register
- Performance improvements in EGR
- Geo-coding
- Updating business registers
 - Most important enterprises
 - Monthly updating
- Reengineering of the business register

3. Summary

D) Main challenges



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□ Top three items and their examples

1) Roles of the SBR

- Introduction of geographical coordinates
- Increasing need for timely and detailed business location data
- Making the best use of the many different administrative and survey data sources
- Having real enterprises based on administrative data
- Producing statistics based on the business register
- Methodological revision of continuity rules of enterprises
- Finding resources to work on the BR

3. Summary

D) Main challenges

□ Top three items and their examples

2) Units

- Introduction of enterprise groups
- Profiling of enterprise groups
- Delineation of complex enterprises
- Delimiting enterprise units
- Ensuring the interplay between profiling results and SBR-units and EGR
- Having a consistent definition of employment
- Integration of Big Data

3. Summary

D) Main challenges

□ Top three items and their examples

3) Data Sources

- Each administrative source has different requirements for their units
- Too little information on the changes of sources
- Access to Tax Data
- Expansion of administrative sources for statistical register
- Exploring new sources for BR, e.g. web-scraping or big data sources
- Considering practical profiling methods
- Profiling of large enterprise groups

4. Conclusions

- 1) Country progress reports have served as a valuable source for an overview of the progress and developments, future plans, as well as main challenges with respect to SBRs and their environment in many countries.
- 2) Because many countries face similar challenges, country progress reports could be used for bilateral contact and exchange.
- 3) It should be attempted to increase country coverage from the viewpoint of balance among regions.



Thank you for your cooperation!

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