

# Workshop on Informal Economy for EECCA and SEE countries

Online on 22, 24 and 26 March 2021

Provisional Timetable – as of 5 March

Monday, 22 March 2021 12:30-15:30 (CET – Geneva time)	
<b>Welcome and introduction</b> <b>Chair: Sanjiv Mahajan (ONS UK)</b>	
12:30 – 12:45	Welcome and introduction
<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Informal economy and the update of international statistical standards</b> <i>Moderator: UNECE</i>
12:45 – 14:05	Exhaustiveness in EU countries' national accounts, comparison of countries' practices - lessons learned and work in the future (15 min) <i>Guihong Chi (Eurostat)</i>  Discussion (10 min)  NOE guidance notes (20 min) <i>Thomas Alexander (IMF) and Herman Smith (UNSD)</i>  Revision of the standards for statistics on informality (15 min) <i>Michael Thye Frosch (ILO)</i>  Discussion (20 min)
<b>14:05 – 14:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Country experiences with measuring informal economy</b> <i>Moderator: Eurostat</i>
14:20 – 15:30	Presentation of the survey results (10 min) <i>(UNECE)</i>  Measurement and recording of NOE in the National Accounts of Belarus (15 min) <i>Irina Morozova (National Statistical Committee of Belarus)</i>  Implementation of 2008 SNA and measuring of non-observed economy in Armenia (15 min) <i>Lusya Khachatryan (Statistical Committee of the Republic of Armenia)</i>  Discussion (30 minutes)
<b>15:30</b>	<b>End of day 1</b>

<b>Wednesday, 24 March 2021</b> <b>12:30-15:30 (CET – Geneva time)</b>	
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Specific aspects of measuring informal economy</b> <i>Moderator: IMF</i>
12:30 – 13:20	Illicit Financial Flows as a Threat to Countries' Ability to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (15 min) <i>Steve Macfeely (UNCTAD)</i>  Assessment of Round-tripping Operations in FDI Flows: the Ukrainian Case (15 min) <i>Yurii Polovnov (National Bank of Ukraine)</i>  Discussion (20 min)
13:20– 14:15	Calculation of NOE components in the BoP of Armenia (15 min) <i>Mher Barseghyan (Central Bank of Armenia)</i>  Estimation of informally brought foreign exchange and its distribution by BoP items (20 min) <i>Angela Gherman-Cernei and Angela Moraru (National Bank of Moldova)</i>  Discussion (20 min)
<b>14:15 – 14:30</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Technical assistance to the countries in the region</b> <i>Moderator: EFTA</i>
14:30 – 15:30	Roundtable discussion (40 min)  Technical assistance to the countries in the region (20 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interventions from international organizations</li> </ul>
<b>15:30</b>	<b>End of day 2</b>

<b>Friday, 26 March 2021</b>	
<b>12:30-15:30 (CET – Geneva time)</b>	
<b>Session 5</b>	<b>Owner occupied housing</b> <i>Chair: Sanjiv Mahajan (ONS UK)</i> <i>Discussant: Georgios Sarris / Moderator: Sanjiv Mahajan</i>
12:30 – 14:05	<p>Introduction from the chair (5 min)</p> <p>Framework for measuring imputed rental, experiences from the EU countries (15 min) <i>Georgios Sarris</i></p> <p>Measurement challenges in the EECCA countries (10 min) <i>Levan Gogoberishvili (IMF)</i></p> <p>Discussion (15 min)</p> <p>Calculation of Owner-Occupied Dwelling Services in Georgia (15 min) <i>Levan Karsaulidze (National Statistics Office of Georgia)</i></p> <p>Accounting of the cost of owner-occupied housing services in the Russian SNA (15 min) <i>Svetlana Levit (Federal State Statistic Service of Russia)</i></p> <p>Discussant intervention (5 min)</p> <p>Discussion (15 min)</p>
<b>14:05 – 14:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Session 5</b>	<b>Owner occupied housing (cont)</b> <i>Discussant: Georgios Sarris / Moderator: Sanjiv Mahajan</i>
14:20 – 15:15	<p>Non-observed economy and the treatment of owner-occupied housing in Albanian national accounts (15 min) <i>Elona Servani (Institute of Statistics of Albania)</i></p> <p>Improved method for measuring OOH in Canada (15 min) <i>Brenda Bugge (Canada)</i></p> <p>Discussant intervention (5 min)</p> <p>Discussion (20 min)</p>
<b>Session 6</b>	<b>Conclusions and way ahead</b> <i>Chair and discussant: Sanjiv Mahajan</i>
15:15 – 15:30	Main outcomes of the workshop (20 min)
<b>15:30</b>	<b>End of the Workshop</b>