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**8<sup>th</sup> OECD INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS EXPERT MEETING (ITS) and  
OECD-EUROSTAT MEETING OF EXPERTS IN TRADE-IN-SERVICES STATISTICS (TIS)**

**Draft Agenda**

*OECD Paris La Defense 2, Tour Europe, Salle des Nations  
17-19 September 2007  
Beginning at 10 a.m. on the first day*

*Monday, 17th September, morning*

**8<sup>th</sup> International Trade Statistics Expert Meeting**

1.	Welcome and adoption of the agenda	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)A
2.	<p><b>Opening</b></p> <p>a) Report of the 7<sup>th</sup> ITS Meeting 11-13 September 2006</p> <p>b) Update on recent events - OECD oral report including the proposed creation of a Working Party on International Trade in Goods and Trade in Services Statistics – OECD oral report</p>	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)1
3.	<p><b>New developments at OECD</b></p> <p>a) The completion of OECDs trade databases integration in OECD.STAT – new developments and implications. The treatment of Metadata in OECD’s ITCS database – OECD report</p> <p>b) Meeting user needs- specific analytical extensions of ITCS - OECD</p> <p>c) The Joint UNSD-OECD Trade Data Storage and Processing System – an outlook</p> <p>i) OECD</p> <p>ii) UNSD</p>	<p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)2</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)3</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)4</p>
4.	<b>New Developments in OECD Member countries and selected Non-member countries</b> – country oral reports (tour de table)	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)5
5.	<p><b>Inter-Agency Co-operation and coordination</b></p> <p>a) Report from the Inter-Agency Merchandise Trade Statistics Task Force - WTO</p> <p>b) The Common Data Set – authoritative world trade aggregates for users across the world – a joint initiative WTO, UNSD, Eurostat, and OECD – Oral report by WTO</p>	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)6

	c) Tariff Profiles – an Inter-Agency Co-operation UNCTAD/ITC/WTO – Oral report by WTO	
	<b>13:00 – 14:30 Lunch</b>	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Data quality and analysis</b>	
	a) Results of the OECD Quality reviews for OECDs trade databases ITCS and MSIT and reaction of CSTAT	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)8
	b) Monthly Statistics (MSIT): quality review implications and scope for more synergies with MEI	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)9
	c) Foreign Trade Statistics: developments in Latin America - presentation from Brazil	
	d) The new UNSD Compilers Manual and Supplements - broadening the scope - UNSD	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)11
	<i>(The Secretariat invites delegates to comment on points 6(a) to 6(d))</i>	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Methodological Research and Analysis</b>	
	a) Export performance indicators and the international growth of re-exports - CPB Netherlands	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)10
	b) Analysis of asymmetries of trade statistics between Germany and China -FSO Germany	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)22
	c) The future of analytical applications based on trade statistics: Where do we go? – Oral report International Trade Centre ITC, Geneva	
	d) Simplification of Intrastat : Current state of play - Eurostat	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)12
	<i>(The Secretariat invites delegates to comment on 7(a) to 7(d) and suggest future research topics)</i>	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Methodological Research: Linkages of Trade and Structural Business Statistics</b>	
	a) OECD progress report	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)13
	b) Eurostat Results of the Standardisation Exercise – Eurostat	STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)15
	<i>(The Secretariat invites in particular delegates from Non-EU OECD countries to comment and express possibilities for participating in this work)</i>	
<b>9.</b>	<b>Other business and close of ITS meeting</b>	

*Tuesday 18 September 9.30*

*Joint 8<sup>th</sup> International Trade Statistics (ITS) and Trade in Services (TIS) Session*

<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><i>Welcome and opening by E. Giovannini, Chief Statistician of OECD and Director of the Statistics Directorate</i></p> <p><b>Globalisation and Trade</b></p> <p>a) OECD and Globalisation: Organisational arrangements and horizontal co-operation across Directorates, work of the Reflection Group on Globalisation Statistics and Indicators</p> <p>b) OECDs Trade Indicators Project (TIP): methodological improvements and extended coverage <i>(The Secretariat invites delegates to advise on further analytical extensions)</i></p> <p>c) OECD Globalisation Indicators: - OECD (STI and STD)</p> <p>d) Globalisation projects at Eurostat - Eurostat</p> <p>e) The Space sector and International Trade – OECD/ SG/AU report</p> <p>f) The “re-design” of French Enterprise Statistics to better meet globalisation needs – conclusions of the CNIS Working Group – country report France</p> <p>g) The way forward: the future role of STDs statistical and analytical work on globalisation and trade in the context of the creation of WPTGS – OECD oral report <i>(The Secretariat will invite views from delegates (tour de table) on future directions and priorities)</i></p>	<p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)16</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)17</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)18</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)19</p> <p>SG/AU(2007)1</p>
	<p><b>12:30 – 14:00 Lunch</b></p>	
<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b>Revision of the Balance of Payments Manual</b></p> <p>a) Progress report IMF - BPM 6 Chapter 10 Goods and services account <i>(Delegates are invited to discuss some issues related to treatment of intellectual property transactions)</i></p> <p>b) Goods for Processing</p> <p>i) Draft chapter of the forthcoming IMTS Compiler Manual</p> <p>ii) From Goods for processing to Manufacturing services – What needs be done to measure these? For discussion - OECD/UNSD/WTO/IMF oral presentation <i>(The Secretariat invites delegates to express their opinion)</i></p>	<p>Room document 4</p> <p>STD/NAES/TASS/ITS(2007)21</p>
<p><b>12.</b></p>	<p><b>Foreign Affiliates Statistics</b> - FATS and Trade in services – some analytical issues – OECD presentation</p>	<p>Room Document 1</p>
<p><b>13.</b></p>	<p><b>Revision of the Benchmark definition of FDI – OECD/DAFFE Oral report</b></p>	
<p><b>14.</b></p>	<p><b>Quality of Balance of Payments Statistics</b></p> <p>a) Reconciliation of foreign trade statistics and balance of payments – Eurostat</p> <p>b) Austrian methodological changes in Balance of Payments and impact on trade in goods and services statistics – Austrian National Bank PPT</p>	<p>STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)9</p> <p>Room Document 2</p>

<b>15.</b>	<b>Balance of payments and the Rest of the World account SNA</b> a) Eurostat/ECB Rest of the World Task Force – Eurostat/ECB b) Trade in goods and services: A report on differences in two OECD datasets	STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)7 STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)8
<b>16.</b>	<b>Provisional conclusions and future Programme of Work</b>	

**Cocktail reception: 18h-20h**

**Wednesday 19 September 9.30**

***OECD-Eurostat Expert Meeting on Trade-in-services Statistics***

<b>17.</b>	<b>Opening</b> a) Report of 2006 Trade-in-services Meeting b) Eurostat activities in trade in services and related balance of payments areas for information c) Report of TFSITS - for information d) Towards a services trade restrictiveness index – OECD Trade and Agriculture Directorate - for discussion <i>(Delegates will be invited to comment on the statistics component of the project and consider any implications for the Revision of the Manual on Statistics of</i>	STD/NAES/TASS/SERV/M(2007)1 STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)1 STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)2 TAD/TC(2007)4
<b>18.</b>	<b>Revising the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services</b> a) Progress report and timetable b) Outline of Revised Manual with main proposed changes and questions for discussion on: i) EBOPS ii) FATS iii) Chapter on modes of supply iv) A new analytical annex  <i>(The Secretariat will seek delegates advice on questions raised regarding proposals for changes to the Manual)</i>	STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)3 STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)4
	<b>12:30 – 14:00 Lunch</b>	
<b>19.</b>	<b>OECD Data Collection and Dissemination</b> a) OECD Progress in expansion of partner country data – OECD presentation b) UNSD data collection - UNSD	STD/NAES/TASS/SERV(2007)10

<p><b>20.</b></p>	<p><b>Data quality and analysis</b>  a) Bilateral flows and asymmetries - OECD  <i>Delegates are invited to comment on findings</i>  b) Methodological improvements in data collection  - Inter-institutional cooperation in Spain – Banco de España and INE - PPT  c) Developing Trade in services Statistics in Vietnam – GSO Vietnam – PPT  <i>(Item c depends on time available)</i></p>	<p>Room document 5  Room document 6</p>
<p><b>21.</b></p>	<p><b>Research:</b>  a) Trade in services by industry – Presentation by Statistics Canada PPT   b) Downloaded products and online services - Can we measure cross-border trade? - Presentation by OECD</p>	<p>Room document 3</p>
<p><b>22.</b></p>	<p><b>Remittances</b>  a) Luxembourg Group on Remittances – Eurostat /IMF/OECD Oral report  b) OECD Statistics Directorate Work on Remittances – OECD Oral report</p>	
<p><b>23.</b></p>	<p><b>Future Programme of Work and Draft Conclusions</b></p>	
<p><b>24.</b></p>	<p><b>Other business and date of next meeting</b>  <b>Close</b></p>	