



STATISTICS DIRECTORATE
STATISTICAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT DIVISION

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Agenda

OECD EXPERT GROUP ON STATISTICAL DATA AND METADATA EXCHANGE

1-2 April 2004
Château de la Muette, Paris

Agenda for the first meeting of the Expert Group on Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange

1st April: 9.30 - 17.30

2 April: 9.00 - 16.00

Venue: Roger Ockrent

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AGENDA

**1-2 April 2004 at the Château de la Muette, Paris
Roger Ockrent Room**

Meeting hours:
1 April 9.30 – 17.30
2 April 9.00 – 16.00

Lunch both days: 12.30 – 14.00

IMPORTANT

Delegates participating in the meeting should be advised that the security arrangements in force at the OECD include the obligation to present an identity document bearing a photograph. It is desirable that Delegates should be made aware of this requirement in order to avoid any difficulty in obtaining entry.

Part 1 will provide an opportunity for exchange of experience and “best practices” of participating countries and organisations especially in the domain of sharing and exchange of statistical data and metadata between organisations, e.g. between national statistical offices (NSOs) and international organisations or between NSOs and central government users. In this section, we would also like to include an overview of any experience among participants concerning present and potential use of open source software for statistical work.

Part 2 will focus on the exchange of statistical data and metadata actually taking place between the OECD and Member countries. This will include reviewing reporting problems, the techniques being used and their performance, and suggestions for improvements.

Part 3 will focus on practical matters involved in giving effect to the SDMX initiative for statistical data and metadata exchange and sharing. Discussion is expected to result in recommendations for future work in participating countries and organisations to be considered by the OECD Secretariat or the OECD High Level Group on Statistics.

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0. Opening and Housekeeping

1	Thursday 1st April 9.30 – 10.15	Welcome and opening Enrico Giovannini Director of the Statistics Directorate	
2		Adoption of the draft Agenda	STD/SIMS/A(2004)1
3		Discussion Terms of Reference	STD/SIMS(2004)1

1. Exchange of experience and practices for data sharing and exchange

1	Thursday 1st April 10.15 – 15.30	Tools presently used for exchange of statistical data and metadata between organisations, e.g. between national statistical offices (NSOs) and international organisations or between NSOs and central government users	STD/SIMS(2004)5 STD/SIMS(2004)8 STD/SIMS(2004)6
2		Dissemination systems and methods	STD/SIMS(2004)12
3		Data sharing experience to date	STD/SIMS(2004)9
4		Experience concerning present and potential use of open source software for statistical work	STD/SIMS(2004)13

2. Exchange of statistical data and metadata between OECD and member countries - today and tomorrow

1	Thursday 1st April 15.40 – 17.30	Data reporting from countries to the OECD	STD/SIMS(2004)7 STD/SIMS(2004)11
2		Tools for exchange between OECD and Member countries	
3		Co-operation and sharing of reporting mechanisms between OECD and other international organisations	

3. Practical matters related to implementing the SDMX initiative

1	<i>Friday 2nd April 9.00 – 16.00</i>	Goals of SDMX and its technology foundations	STD/SIMS(2004)2
2		Implementing web services	STD/SIMS(2004)3 STD/SIMS(2004)4
3		Metadata systems and their role in statistics information management and dissemination	STD/SIMS(2004)10
4		Conclusions and recommendations	

Note: Announced papers that have not yet been put on Odis are labeled by country or organization.