

# Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment

Improving analysis of direct  
investment

# Session outline

- About Benchmark Definition
- Improvements to aid analysis
- Remaining challenges

# About Benchmark Definition

- World standard
- Compatible with
  - BPM
  - SNA
- Basis for CDIS

# About Benchmark Definition

- Revision process
  - Reflected increasing globalisation and complexity of structures
  - Introduce new methodologies to support analysis
  - Collaborative with IMF

# Standards and Analysis

- Basis for assessing practices and identifying differences
- Guidance on measuring differences
- Bilateral asymmetries

# Improvements to aid analysis

- Segregation of M&A activity
- Separate identification of capital in transit
- Attribution to ultimate investor
  - Round-tripping
- Linkages to globalisation statistics
  - Defining the relationship
  - Nature of activities of multinationals

# Remaining challenges

- By the end of 2010
  - Capital in transit
    - Looking through external SPEs
  - Ultimate host country
  - Linkages to globalisation statistics
    - Refining direct investment relationships
    - Beyond M&A