

## Other Activities

### Software Toolkit for OECD Statistical Metadata (MetaStore)

#### Purpose

To provide a generic software toolkit for the management of OECD statistical production metadata. The MetaStore software provides a common, SQL-based repository for statistical metadata and a set of tools for metadata management. The application is designed to be fully integrated with other OECD corporate systems such as the OECD.Stat StatWorks.

#### Objectives and outputs

The main objective of the MetaStore development was to modernise the software platforms for management of OECD statistical metadata in replacing multiple, non-standard systems and document collections with a single, generic application. The application manages the following statistical production processes: initial metadata migration, database administration, security management, metadata collection, metadata importing and validation, metadata querying and metadata export.

The MetaStore software was originally developed by STD but the development part has been taken over by ITN during 2008/2009. The software is used to manage many different metadata databases across all substantive directorates.

In addition the MetaStore software is being or has been evaluated or is being used by other international organisations (e.g. IMF).

#### Main Developments for 2011

##### General aspects:

The year 2011 will focus on further consolidation and interface redesign. A new import module (Excel questionnaires, SDMX) will be implemented.