Working Party on International Trade in Goods and Trade in Services Statistics (WPTGS)

DRAFT AGENDA

2nd WPTGS Meeting Paris, 16-18 November 2009

Monday, 16th November, starting at 10.00 a.m.

Part I: Merchandise trade and trade in services

1. **Welcome, adoption of the Agenda, and opening**

2. **New developments at OECD**

   1. Integrating the OECD Accession countries into OECDs Statistical databases — *For information*

      1. Overall coordination of statistical activities (OECD)

      2. Summary update of TAGS databases (OECD)

3. **Inter-Agency Co-operation and coordination in trade statistics** — *For information*

   1. Inter-Agency Merchandise Trade Statistics Task Force TFIMTS report (WTO)

   2. Inter-Agency Task Force on Statistics in Trade in Services TFSITS report (OECD)

   3. Report of the Joint Session TFIMTS and TFSITS (WTO and OECD)

   4. IMTS Rev. 3 and MSITS 2010: which issues will need to be addressed for compilers? (International Organisations and country delegates)

      1. IMTS Concepts and Definition, Revision 3: summary of world-wide consultation and implications for the future (UNSD)

      2. MSITS 2010: summary of world-wide consultation and implications for the future (UNSD/OECD)

3. Open discussion

5. International Organisations' co-operation and its impact on data consistency in dissemination: where should users look for what? (OECD)

4. **Improving the data quality of merchandise trade statistics**

1. ITCS: allocating data from HS 6 digit to HS 2 digit (OECD)
2. Eurostat report on data quality (Eurostat)
3. Re-Exports and re-imports in UN COMTRADE (CEPII)
4. Promoting the use of SDMX (OECD)

Tuesday, 17th November, starting at 9h30 a.m.

5. **Linking trade with enterprise characteristics statistics (TEC)** *For discussion*

1. Policy applications of linked trade data (Canada)
2. Linking business statistics to trade (Italy)
3. Regional services exports and business registers (United Kingdom)
4. High-tech trade by enterprise characteristics (EU/JRC)
5. Trade in services- new evidence on linkages to business statistics and multinationals (Austria)

6. **Trade in services** *For discussion*

1. Main methodological issues MSITS 2010 to be covered in the future (OECD/UNSD)
2. Remittances (OECD)
3. SISCOSERV and NBS - The Brazilian Effort in Measuring its Foreign Trade in Services (Brazil)
4. International transactions of services and origin of merchandise exports (Argentina)
5. The Intrastat Services initiative (Italy)

7. **Implementing IMTS Rev.3, MSITS2010, 2008 SNA, BPM6, EBOPS** *For discussion*

   1. Discussion on which cross-cutting issues need to be addressed and list of priorities

   2. Discussion on the process of compilation guidance

18h-20h : COCKTAIL OFFERED BY OECD

Wednesday, 18th November, 9h30

Part II: Trade and Globalisation issues

8. **Trade and the crisis** *For discussion*

   1. The Great Synchronization: What do high-frequency statistics tell us about the trade collapse? (OECD)

   2. Impact of the financial crisis in Canada and the aftermath in the Canadian BOP Statistics (Canada)

   3. Technology exports and imports of Japanese enterprises and the impact of the financial crisis (Japan)

9. **Trade & Globalisation** *For discussion*

   1. The forthcoming Economic Globalisation Indicators 2009 and 2nd OECD Handbook (OECD STI and STD)

   2. MEETS, the Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade statistics (Eurostat)

   3. Effects of globalisation on Singapore's trade (Singapore)

   4. Trade in services between enterprises of the same group (Brazil)

   5. Trade, processing and value added chains

      1. Trade in intermediate goods (OECD/TAD)

      2. Vertical trade and global value chain (OECD)

      3. Trade and value added chain (WTO) *To be confirmed*

   6. World Input-Output Database (WIOD) (OECD/University of Groningen))

7. Infrastructure project 2030: could infrastructures present a barrier to trade recovery? (OECD/SGE/AU) *To be confirmed*

10. **Draft conclusion of the 2nd WPTGS meeting and future work programme, date of next meeting**

11. **Closing**