OECD Global Relations

Purpose

1. Coordinate reviews of the statistical system and statistics of accession countries in order to assist Council in taking an informed decision on whether to invite these countries to accede to the OECD Convention and become a Member. Consolidate information on the legal and Institutional framework for statistics, collect and review data and metadata in order to support the examination of economic and other policies by the OECD Committees.

2. Improve and expand the statistical co-operation with the five Key Partner (KP) countries (Brazil, India, Indonesia, China and South Africa). Conduct light assessment reviews of data and metadata based on a standard set of basic OECD statistical requirements and encourage and assist KP countries to bring their statistics in line with coverage, quality and comparability of OECD member statistics. Coordinate data and metadata collection for KP countries with other OECD Directorates.

3. Coordinate the development of statistics for other Partner countries or other non-members of relevance for the organisation.

Objectives and outputs

This activity is to support the Committee on Statistics and Statistical Policy in its evaluation of the statistical system and statistics of accession countries selected for possible membership in the OECD. To help integrate data for the candidate countries and enhanced engagement countries in the Organisation's reporting and information systems.

The Global Relations Activity will also facilitate exchanges with the "Key Partner" (KP) countries in order to improve our understanding of their statistical legal and institutional framework for statistics and their statistical programmes, develop specific statistical relationships with each of the KP countries, and co-ordinate the development of working level statistical projects involving KP countries and OECD Members.

Non-member countries involved in the activity:

Argentina, Brazil, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, G20, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Peru, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Ukraine.

Main Developments for 2018

General aspects:

Co-ordination of the development of statistics for all Partners countries or regions (eg LAC, MENA...), continue to promote enhanced statistical co-operation with Key Partners, accession countries, pre-accession countries, Country Programs, and with Argentina and Saudi Arabia as members of the G20.