
**2010 Conference on Data Quality for International Organizations:
Proposed agenda of the back-to-back meeting to the 2010 European Quality
Conference in Helsinki, Finland**

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During the 14th CCSA meeting held in Bangkok, Thailand (9-11 September 2009), it was agreed that the 2010 Conference on Data Quality for International Organizations would be dedicated to the international support for the development of National Quality Assurance Frameworks. The target audience of the Conference would be quality managers and data management experts and medium to high level management staff of the international organizations. An organizing committee composed of Eurostat, UNSD, UNHabitat and the AfDB was formed.

The CCSA Conference will be held back-to-back to the Q2010 Conference that will take place in Helsinki, Finland on 4-6 May 2010. The CCSA Conference is proposed to take place on the afternoon of 6 May and all day on 7 May.

The draft agenda is presented below for comments.

Draft agenda

Title: How to enhance the quality of statistics produced by international organizations and support national initiatives.

Objective: The CCSA Special Event will address some of the specific current challenges in quality management in the environment of international organizations and reflect on how international organizations can support national quality initiatives.

6 May 2010 (Thursday)- 14:00-18:00

Welcome

Session 1: Introduction: Background and current state of the art of quality assurance frameworks in international organizations and at the national level (principles, codes of practices, ongoing initiatives, existing handbooks, guidelines and other tools)

- UNSD
- Eurostat

Session 2: Quality assurance for statistics based on administrative sources (international organisations will present briefly the initiatives in this domain)

- ECB ??
- IMF ??
- Others??

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Session 3: Selected country experiences with quality assurance work, with a special focus on formulating their needs and expectations vis-a-vis support from international organisations

- European country?
- AfDB

Session 4: The role of international organisations in supporting national statistical institutes' quality initiatives

This will be a practical session. The audience will be separated in three groups, each of which will have a topic for reflection and discussion. The results will be presented to the plenary. Topics for discussion:

- How can international organisations better divide the work related to improving data quality at the national level, including the provision of support for the institutional setups for national statistical institutes?
- How are or could international organisations help national initiatives on quality? (Role of peer reviews, quality coaching, quality tool kits ...)
- The next CCSA quality event: structure and topics for discussion

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Session 5: How are international organisations fostering public satisfaction surveys?

- Eurostat
- OECD initiative on measuring trust
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Session 6: Wrap up and conclusions