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New Delhi, India
14 – 16 October 2003

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

This Workshop is conducted by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) and the Statistics Division of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and is hosted by the Government of India. The Workshop will be held at the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (APCTT), a regional institution of UN/ESCAP.

All sessions will be organized as open discussions, mostly following an introductory presentation.

Morning sessions are scheduled for 9:30-12:30, afternoon sessions for 14:00-17:00.

Country presentations will be held throughout the week, not in one combined session. As only a few presentations are available at this point, the timing for these presentations has to be flexible.

Tuesday, 14 October 2003

Morning

09:30 ***Opening Session***

Greeting of participants, opening remarks, introduction of organizers, agenda, general questions and Workshop objectives (ESCAP, UNSD)

10:00 ***Introduction to the International Family of Classifications***

Presenter: UNSD (A. Skenderi)

Overview of International Family of Economic and Social Classifications

- *Introduction to the Preamble, Role of custodians*
- *Processes and International Cooperation (workshops and training, working groups)*
- *UN Classification systems and mechanisms (Classifications Hotline, Classifications Registry, Website, monitoring mechanisms on use of classifications)*

11:00 Discussion

11:15 Country presentations: India, Japan

Afternoon

14:00 ***ISIC and CPC 2002 Update***

Presenter: UNSD (K. Cassamajor)

- *Presentation of the latest ISIC, CPC versions, summary of changes, impact and implications of changes, relationship to other classifications, such as HS, SITC, BOP, COICOP*

14:45 Discussion on ISIC/CPC 2002 updates: issues and concerns

15:30 ***ISIC and CPC 2007 Revision: Presentation of the Concepts Paper***

Presenter: UNSD (R. Becker)

Presentation of main issues in the Concepts Paper

16:15 Country presentations: Bhutan, Maldives, Sri Lanka

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Morning

09:30 Discussion of the concepts paper

10:00 ***ISIC and CPC 2007 Revision: Presentation of the ISIC Structure***

Presenter: UNSD (K. Cassamajor)

Presentation of the draft ISIC Structure prepared for 2007 and discussion of implications for national classifications

Discussion of conceptual and organizational changes

Areas covered: Mining, Manufacturing, Utilities, Repair and Maintenance, Sanitation

11:00 Discussion

12:00 Country presentations: Bangladesh, Nepal

Afternoon

14:00 ***ISIC and CPC 2007 Revision: Presentation of the ISIC Structure (cont'd.)***

Presenter: UNSD (R. Becker)

Areas covered: Agriculture, Information, Services

15:15 Discussion

16:15 Country presentations: Iran, China

Thursday, 16 October 2003

Morning

09:30 ***ISIC and CPC 2007 Revision: Presentation of the CPC Structure***

Presenter: UNSD (R. Becker)

Discussion of issues for the CPC Structure for 2007 and discussion of implications for national classifications.

10:00 Discussion

10:45 **UN List of Industrial Products**

Presenter: UNSD (A. Skenderi)

Current status of international data collection for industrial commodities

Revision of the United Nations List of selected industrial products

- anticipated changes

- data collection issues

11:15 Discussion

11:45 Country presentations: Pakistan, Korea

Afternoon

14:00 **Cooperation in the field of classifications in the Asia/Pacific region**

Presenter: ESCAP

Work on regional classifications and coordination

15:30 Discussion

16:30 **Specific problems and issues and future plans**

Discussion – Lead: UNSD

Follow-up on questions raised during the workshop

Future cooperation in the region and on the international level

Planning of follow-up actions

Summary and conclusions