

**United Nations Workshop on International Economic and Social Classifications
24 – 27 November 2008, Bangkok, Thailand**

Provisional Agenda

Morning sessions will be from 8:30 to 11:30 (except on Monday), afternoon sessions from 13:00 to 16:30. Lunch breaks will be from 11:30 to 13:00 every day. There will also be a coffee break during the morning sessions and afternoon sessions.

Monday, 24 November 2008

Morning

08:30 – 08:45 *Registration of participants.*

09:00 **Opening Session**

- *Agenda, General questions and Workshop objectives (UNSD, ESCAP)*
- *Group Photograph*

09:45 **Overview of Economic Statistics and Classifications in the ESCAP Region**

10:30 **Family of International Classifications**

- *International work on classifications*
- *Classifications in the family*
- *UN Classifications website and tools*

11:30 – 13:00 Lunch break

Afternoon

13:00 Discussion

13:30 **ISIC and CPC revision process**

- *Process*
- *Recent discussions and decisions on the ISIC and CPC underlying concepts*
- *Discussion of the top structures of ISIC and CPC*

15:00 Discussion

16:00 Country presentations (2)

Tuesday, 25 November 2008

Morning

08:30 **ISIC Revision 4**

- *Major changes*

- *New concepts in applying the classification, e.g. Treatment of Outsourcing (incl. recording of activities and products in ISIC and CPC)*

10:00 Discussion

11:00 Country presentations (2)

11:30 – 13:00 Lunch break

Afternoon

13:00 **ISIC Revision 4**

- *Selected detailed changes*
- *Alternate aggregations*
- *Application of the classification in national contexts*

14:30 Discussion

15:30 Country presentations (2)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008

Morning

08:30 **CPC Version 2**

- *Summary of recent changes*
- *Links to other classifications*

09:30 Discussion

11:00 Country presentations (3)

11:30 – 13:00 Lunch break

Afternoon

13:00 **CPC Version 2**

- *Newly introduced product concepts: originals, intellectual property products*
- *Changes in selected areas of CPC*

14:30 Discussion

15:30 Country presentations (2)

Thursday, 27 November 2008

Morning

08:30 **Implementation of ISIC**

- *Introduction of UNSD implementation documents and tools*
- *Implementation strategies*
- *Recoding of business registers*

09:30 Discussion

10:30 Country presentations (3)

11:30 – 13:00 Lunch break

Afternoon

13:00 **Future plans**

- *Future cooperation in the region and at the international level*
- *Planning for follow-up action*
- *Summary and conclusions*