

Swiss Confederation

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Item

Swiss Position

Switzerland agrees completely with a system that aims at achieving very similar objectives to the ones pursued by Switzerland, namely an integrated statistical production system, systematic and transversal use of statistical methods, and the idea of patency at international level.

Switzerland welcomes the initiatives for coordination at global, regional and national level. In parallel, platforms for the exchange of new findings and developments like the UNECE work session on statistical data editing under the HLG-MOS should also be pursued.

The organisation of regional conferences helps the formulation of roadmaps for transforming and modernising national statistical systems.

Switzerland welcomes the African and Arab conferences and their outcomes. Plans to organise similar conferences in further regions should be evaluated based on the outcomes of these conferences.

Switzerland is in favour of broadening partnerships to generate support and mobilise funding for activities to enable the implementation of the transformative agenda in national statistical offices and regional and sub-regional statistical organisations.