

## Update: Handbook on Non-Profit Institutions in the System of National Accounts

At the thirty-third session of the Statistical Commission, 5-8 March 2002, the Commission received an information note concerning the publication of the *Handbook on Non-Profit Institutions in the System of National Accounts* (document E/CN.3/2002/8/Add.1) and an oral presentation of plans for its implementation. The present document outlines the progress made since then in disseminating and implementing this *Handbook*.

### Dissemination and Promotion

- A presentation of the *Handbook* was made at the conference of the European Foundation Center, 2 June 2002, in Brussels.
- A workshop on the *Handbook* was held at the biennial conference of the International Society for Third Sector Research in Cape Town, South Africa, 7-10 July 2002.
- A paper on empirical findings from the NPI satellite accounts compiled during the test phase of *Handbook* development was presented at the International Association for Research in Income and Wealth General Conference, 18-24 August 2002, in Djurhamn, Sweden.
- A paper on the *Handbook* was presented at the OECD National Accounts Experts' Meeting 8-11 October 2002 in Paris.
- A presentation of the *Handbook* was made to senior officials of United Nations Volunteers on 10 December 2002.
- Eurostat convened a workshop on *Handbook* Implementation for EU member states and accession countries in Luxembourg 11-12 December 2002.
- OECD has invited an article on the *Handbook* for its *Statistics Newsletter*.

### Implementation

- Six countries have begun implementing all or a portion of the NPI satellite account outlined in the *Handbook*.
  - Israel began collecting data for a full NPI satellite account for 1999, which will be comparable to the account prepared for 1997 as part of the testing of the *Handbook*.
  - Australia released a NPI satellite account 28 November 2002.
  - The United States announced its intent to separately recognize income and outlays of a broadened concept of nonprofit institutions serving households (broadly defined) at the meeting of the BEA Advisory Committee in November 2002.
  - Italy has incorporated results from its Census of Nonprofit Institutions into a draft NPI satellite account.
  - Belgium expects to publish its NPI satellite account in late 2003.
  - Canada expects to publish its Satellite Account of Nonprofit Institutions and Volunteering in late 2003.
- Discussions are at a fairly advanced stage with statistical officials and other stakeholders for *Handbook* implementation in France, Japan, and Argentina.
- Discussions are under way with statistical officials and other stakeholders for implementation of the *Handbook* in Poland, Mexico, Brazil, and Chile.
- Discussions are under way with United Nations Volunteers for a possible joint project to implement the *Handbook* in at least nine developing and transition countries.

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