

**Meeting of the Task Force on Statistics  
of International Trade in Services (TFSITS)  
19-20 November 2009**

OECD, Chateau de la Muette Conference Centre, Paris  
Room number CC18

*The meeting starts at 9.30 a.m. and ends at 6.00 p.m. on both days*

**Draft Agenda**

**1. Welcome and Opening**

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

**3. Approval of the report of the last TF meeting in Bangkok, 10-11 March 2009 - TFSITS (NOV09)01**

**4. Summary outcome of OECD WPTGS meeting 16-18 November discussion on MSITS and related fields (OECD)**

**5. Revision of the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services (MSITS)**

a. Review of replies to the 3<sup>rd</sup> WWC (UNSD/WTO) - TFSITS(NOV09)17

*a'. Conventions adopted in the review of the Manual of Statistics on International Trade in Services (Mark Pollard) –TFISTS(NOV09)22*

- i. *Chapter 1: General Introduction and foundation of the manual (UNSD) - TFSITS (NOV09)02*
- ii. *Chapter 2: Conceptual framework for the development of statistics on international trade in services(WTO) - TFSITS (NOV09)03*
- iii. *Chapter 3: Services transactions between residents and non-residents (IMF) - TFSITS (NOV09)04*
- iv. *Chapter 4: Foreign affiliates statistics and the international supply of services (OECD) - TFSITS (NOV09)05*
- v. *Chapter 5: Trade in services by modes of supply (WTO) - TFSITS (NOV09)06*

b Review of the correspondences presented in the Annex of MSITS 2010

- i. EBOPS 2010 and CPC version 2 (IMF/UNSD) - TFSITS (NOV09) 07
- ii. EBOPS 2010 and GNS/W/120 (WTO) - TFSITS (NOV09) 08
- iii. EBOPS 2010 and ICFA (Eurostat) - TFSITS (NOV09) 09

c. Remaining issues and inputs to the Manual (OECD) - TFSITS (NOV09) 10

- i. Introduction/summary of the MSITS (UNSD/OECD) - TFSITS (NOV09) 11
- ii. The Manual and Tourism satellite Accounts (UNWTO) - TFSITS (NOV09) 12
- iii. Analytical annex (OECD) - TFSITS (NOV09) 13
- iv. Glossary and list of acronyms (UNCTAD) - TFSITS (NOV09) 14
- v. Index and Bibliography (UNSD)

**6. The implementation and compilation guidance process**

- i. Report to the UN Statistical Commission (OECD/UNSD) - *TFSITS (NOV09)15*
- ii. Discussion on possible national experts to be involved in the future compilation guide (Norway and Brazil experts were mentioned at Bangkok TF).

**7. Data quality and comparability of databases between IO (WTO, Eurostat and UNSD) - *TFSITS (NOV09)21, TFSITS(NOV09)16 and TFSITS(NOV09)18***

**8. Status of the data collection - Database on Statistics on International Trade in Services (UNSD) – *TFSITS(NOV09)19***

**9. Promoting the MSITS**

- a. TFSITS Website and Newsletter (UNSD) – *TFSITS(NOV09)20*
- b. Upcoming seminars and expert groups

**10. Preparation of report to IMF Balance of Payments Committee**

**11. Any other business**

**12. Date and location of next TF meeting** (ESCWA proposed to host the 2010 meeting late 2<sup>nd</sup> half of March or last week in April in Beirut. OECD offered to act as backup in case the meeting cannot take place in Beirut. Eurostat made a similar backup proposal).