International Comparison Program
2011 Round

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- Welcomed successful ICP 2005
- Requested immediate 2011 preparations
- Recommended IEB
- Requested WB to host Global Office

ITAG was formed

- To develop research agenda
- To address technical priorities

Several IEB & ITAG meetings discussed

- Future work program
- Global and regional ICP structures
UNSC Recommendations

Progress Report to
40th UNSC included

UNSC Position

UNSC Recommended

- Preparations
- Governance structure
- Detailed work program

- Expressed appreciation
- Endorsed governance & work program
- Noted increasing use of PPP data

- Expedite research agenda
- Focus on data quality assessment
- Form new Executive Board
- Increase advocacy efforts
- Mobilize needed resources
ICP 2005 Achieved a Lot

- Most intensive effort ever to measure PPPs across countries:
  - New methodologies;
  - Improved data collection and processing;
  - Intensive data validation;
  - Inclusion of the People’s Republic of China and India plus better coverage of Africa has given widest coverage ever.
  - However, more to improve

- New Governance arrangement leading to full partnership across international, regional and national organizations.
Challenges for 2011 Round

- Increase country participation, especially in Latin America region - include Central America and the Caribbean
- Increase partnerships with leading national statistical offices to provide technical assistance to regions
- Mobilize needed resources - increase fundraising efforts
Innovation of the 2011 Round

- **Greater Relevance**
  - Reaching out to users – by organizing an international users conference in partnership with all ICP international and bilateral partners
  - Targeting users’ needs
  - Enhancing the program’s economic relevance – by establishing or reinstating in a concrete manner, the system of National Accounts as the reference framework for the determination of PPPs

- **Capacity-building and knowledge sharing**
  - Develop training modules
  - Partnership with the academic world and statistical institutions
  - Documentations -- an ICP book on methods and processes

- **Consistency in time and spatial analysis of PPPs**
  - ICP-CPI synergy
  - Ensuring greater consistency between prices & expenditures
  - Global & regional core lists

- **Data Quality Framework**
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- **Institutional set up**
- **Methodology**
- **National accounts**
- **Price collection**
- **Data processing**
- **Report**

- Including a PPP Users Conference in October 2010
Achieved So Far

**Governance and Institutional Aspects**
- Global Manager hired
- ICP Global Office Team formed
- Executive Board being completed
- TAG formed
- Governance Framework drafted
- MoUs with regions being discussed

**Technical aspects**
- National Accounts Framework for ICP being prepared
- Research activities underway
- Methodologies being reviewed
- Item lists being updated
- ICP Data Quality Framework prepared
- ICP-CPI synergy for Asia and Africa ongoing

**Governance Meetings**
- Preparations for first governance meetings being finalized
NEXT STEPS

- Regional Coordinators Meeting
  - 28-30 September 2009

- Technical Advisory Group Meeting
  - 1-2 October 2009

- Executive Board Meeting
  - 14 October 2009
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