Workshop on Scanner Data and Applications for Official Statistics

Date: 29 April-1 May 2019

Venue : Kigali, Rwanda

This workshop provides an opportunity for statistical organisations to participate in discussion and training in the use of scanner (transaction) data for Consumer Price Indexes. The workshop will commence with an overview of scanner data and the ways in which it can be used in the production of a CPI. This will include presentations on different country practices and discussions among participants. The workshop will continue with a pratical course on the use of scanner data. This will include presentations, practical demonstrations and hands-on tutorials focusing on index compilations and analysis. The workshop will conclude with a wrap-up including discussion about moving forward, priorities for participants and ongoing training opportunities.

Main presenters: Michael Smedes, Thomas Hjorth Jacobsen, Clément Yélou, Jason Patchey Naicker

Agenda

Day 1 Scanner Data and Official Statistics

11.15 Welcome

Facilitator: Michael

Formal welcome. Importance of big data for measuring Official Statistics

11.30 Introduction

Facilitator: Michael

Overview of workshop; introduction of presenters

11.45 Session 1.1 Overview of Scanner Data - Data types, sources and country practices

Presenter: Thomas

Introduction to key aspects of scanner data: data sources, international experiences and

general applications

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Session 1.2 Scanner Data Task Team

Presenter: Michael

Overview of the work of the task team and of resources available on the Global Platform

14:15 Session 1.3 Scanner Data Methods

Presenter: Clément

Presentation on index methods, characteristics of scanner data, multilateral index

methods, extension methods, monitoring methods

15.15 Break

15.45 Session 1.4 Scanner Data Methods Continued

Presenter: Clément

Presentation on index methods, characteristics of scanner data, multilateral index

methods, extension methods, monitoring methods

17.00 Close

Day 2 Scanner Data and Official Statistics

9.00 Session 2.1 Denmark Use of Scanner Data

Presenter: Thomas

Description of implementation of scanner data (practical case study)

9.45 Session 2.2 Canadian Use of Scanner Data

Presenter: Clément

Description of implementation of scanner data (practical case study)

10.30 Break

11.00 Session 2.3 Practical session using Global Platform

Presenter: Michael

Participants use Global Platform to complete a range of set exercises using scanner

data

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Session 2.4 Overview of Data Sources

Presenter: Michael

Potential sources of data overview, including issues of acces and institutional settings

Session 2.5 Danish Experience with Webscrapping

Presenter:

Potential sources of data cont: webscrabbing in the Danish context

14.45 Break

15.15 Session 2.6 Neilsen Data And Services

Presenter: Jason

Overview of Nielsen Data and Services

17.00 Close

Day 3 Scanner Data and Official Statistics

9.00 Session 3.1 Scanner Data and Weighting

Presenter: Michael

Using Scanner Data expenditure data as a source of weights in economic statistics

Session 3.2 Alternative sources of data in Canada

Presenter: Clément

Canadian experience with admin and other data sources

10.30 Break

11:00 Session 3.2 Roundtable Discussion:

Where to from here? Opportunities and challenges of using scanner data in practice

Facilitator: Michael Smedes

Facilitated discussion with workshop participants

11.45 Session 3.3 Final comments and Feedback on Workshop

Facilitator: Michael Smedes

12.00 Close of Workshop