Council of the Statistical System of Montenegro

The Council is the advisory and competent body responsible for strategic issues of statistics and the statistical system.

Obligations and competences of the Council:

1) Shall provide professional opinions and proposals on:

- The Proposal of the Programme, proposal of the Annual Plan and proposal of the report on the implementation of the Annual Plan;

- Regulations which are to establish new or to change existing administrative data sources

- Draft laws and other legal acts related to producers of statistics or to statistical activities;

- Development and promotion of the system of official statistics and international cooperation;
- Increase of knowledge of both, statistical producers and users;

- Other issues important for the functioning of the statistical system

- 2) Shall consider:
- Functioning of the statistical system;

- Cases when the bodies keeping the administrative data sources fail to provide data needed for the statistical purposes;

- Cases when the producers of statistics do not act in accordance with the provisions of this Law

- Other issues important for the functioning of the statistical system

3) Shall define:

- The list of macroeconomic indicators and periodicity of its publishing, in cooperation with the Administration body in charge of development;

- Need for the census conduction, introduction, revision or cessation of the large statistical surveys, infrastructure projects and financial sources for their implementation

- Standards and guidelines for applying the basic principles of the statistics

The Council has 17 members:

Members of the Council are appointed by the Government upon the suggestion of the head of the responsible institution.

The Council shall have the president and vice president elected among its members.

The organization and way of working of the Council are more precisely defined by its internal rules of procedure.

The members of the Council shall be appointed for a five-year mandate with a possibility of one re-appointment.

The Council has formed the following four (4) working groups:

- Working Group for legislation

- Working Group for strengthening information capacities and system network
- Working Group for International Cooperation
- Working Group for establishment and monitoring the methodologies of statistical surveys