National Seminar on Developing a Programme for the Implementation of the 2008 SNA and Supporting Statistics in Turkey

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Draft Agenda

Tuesday 10 September 2013

10:30 – 12:00 First Session

I. Opening (30 min)

Brief opening remarks on the need for developing a programme of work on the implementation of the 2008 SNA and supporting statistics by Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat). UNSD will add the international perspective. The opening will also be used to underline the benefits of moving over to the 2008 SNA and supporting short-term statistics in a global economy with internal and cross boundary vulnerabilities.

Opening Remarks:

- Turkish Statistical Institute
- ECO
- SESRIC
- ECE
- ESCAP
- UNSD

Objective of the Seminar

Adoption of agenda

Introduction of participants and administrative announcements

II. Discussion on the scope and detail of the national accounts required for effective policy purposes (60 min)

To initiate the formulation of a national strategy and implementation programme for the 2008 SNA and supporting it is necessary to take into consideration the national and regional policy needs to determine the scope and detail of the national accounts required to inform policy makers. For this purpose participants will express their immediate and medium policy issues to be monitored by macro economic statistics. In addition, participants will share their experience on implementing the G-20 Data Gaps Initiative

Presentations:

Monetary policy – Turkish Central Bank

Data requirements for national and regional policy needs – Ministry of Planning, Turkey Fiscal Policy and relationship with GFS – Department of Finance Lessons Learned from Implementation of G-20 Data Gaps Initiative - Turkstat

Discussion

12:00 - 13:00 Second Session

III. Developing a programme for the implementation of the 2008 SNA and supporting statistics (25 min)

UNSD will provide an overview of the global programme on the implementation of the 2008 SNA and supporting statistics addressing the elements of the integrated economic statistics approach of the institutional environment and statistical production process and the possible outline of the strategy document.

IV. The implementation of the 2008 SNA/ESA 2010 in Turkey (35 min)

Turkstat will set out overall approach, institutional process and timeline for the preparation of the strategy of implementation and the subsequent work programme of implementation of the 2008 SNA and supporting statistics /ESA 2010 and will seek comments on their approach, process and timeline.

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Third Session

V. Meeting with source data providers

Discussion with source data providers from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Defence, Tax authorities, Balance of Payments, Financial Statistics and Government Finance Statistics Divisions, and other relevant departments to address the additional data needs given the scope and detail of the accounts and short-term economic statistics, sharing of information, use of administrative data.

For the basis of the discussion it is expected that a subject area person would introduce the new requirements for by economic activity and institutional sector, and the statistical and institutional actions to remedy shortcomings. These subject areas should include estimates of value added by industry, final consumption (households, NPISHs, general government) capital formation, imports and exports, supply and use tables, the integrated economic accounts by institutional sector, financial accounts, balance sheets and the implementation of BPM6. The following elements should be covered for each of the subject area: new requirements in terms of concepts of the 2008 SNA/ESA 2010; need for new source date; new scope and detail; required periodicity and timeliness; adjustments to business registers and surveys; and institutional arrangements.

15:30 - 16:00 Break

16:00 – 17:30 Fourth Session

V. Meeting with source data providers (continued)

Discussion with staff of TurkStat responsible for business registers, surveys, classifications, data integration and dissemination.

For the basis of the discussion it is expected that a subject area person would introduce their current practise and new requirements to accommodate the proposed scope and detail of the national accounts, including the change over to ISIC Rev 4/NACE Rev 2.

VI. Way forward

Based on a broad assessment, an initial inventory of the institutional and statistical requirements will be made by staff from TurkStat and selected data producers and users. It is expected that the format and the process of the reporting of the strategy of implementation of the 2008 SNA and supporting statistics will be concluded as well as the process and timeline of consultation to arrive a broad consensus of requirements and actions for their implementation.