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## **COUNTRY NOTE OF TURKEY**

### **REPORT OF THE PRAIA GROUP ON GOVERNANCE STATISTICS**

Turkey would like to thank the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the member countries of the Praia Group for its valuable endeavours on the development of a Handbook for Governance Statistics.

As stated several times, it is a broad and very complex concept. Consequently, it is necessary to combine not only related terms and definitions but also needs to integrate and co-ordinate lots of institutions, governmental bodies, agencies etc. Broader participation will also assist to achieve effective results for SDG-16 as it includes the term “inclusion”.

As far as item 5 of the report was concerned, the position of the Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat) is to shed light on this concept by providing possible indicators and information collected by National Statistical Offices and Institutions together with National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico (INEGI) and OECD. This working group published an In-Depth Review on 23 September 2016 and it was discussed at the Conference of European Statisticians Bureau at its meeting in Ottawa, on 11-12 October 2016.

The contribution of the TurkStat to this report was the following;

- Identification of the indicators defining the concept of governance,
- Filling in the questionnaires sent to the national statistical offices for the definite indicators,
- Providing information and statistical interpretation of data availability and data sources”.

In this context, we appreciate INEGI and OECD experts’ collaborations for these studies. In addition, we would like to thank the respondent countries for filling the comprehensive questionnaire. More or less, data availability on the related concepts of this issue emerges with the help of this great effort and patience.