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Finland appreciates the work carried out by ILO and its working group for the revision of the statistical standards of informality. There evidently is a need for a common framework to statistically, and in a harmonized way, measure informal economy, since currently the national practices differ considerably. Due to these differences in national contexts, Finland appreciates the fact that countries are sufficiently informed and consulted on the developing of new set of standards during the preparatory work.

Informal economy is a phenomenon relevant not only for developing countries, but of growing interest in high-income countries as well. With the labour market changes such as the increase in digital platform employment, informality might even grow in importance in the future also in countries like Finland. We are looking forward to the revision of the statistical standards and a common framework to be able to monitor the development in a harmonized way across countries.

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