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## Agenda item 8: Introduction to IMTS2010



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# Chapter Introduction

## What' s new

- Include additional information about history of the recommendations for IMTS.
- And information about the reasons for the current revision.
- Provide a brief explanation of the conceptual framework for IMTS in relation to the framework adopted for the balance of payments statistics and national accounts.

# Outline of Chapter Introduction

- A. Background
- B. Need for the current revision
- C. Organization of the revision process
- D. Conceptual framework
- E. Structure of IMTS2010
- F. Summary of the revised Recommendations
- G. Implementation

## Results of the 2nd Round of Worldwide Consultation on Chapter Introduction

1. Countries appreciate the information provided in the introduction.
2. Explanation regarding the need for the revision and history of recommendations for IMTS are found to be especially useful.
3. It is suggested to indicate the differences to the previous recommendations and to include in the summary – what countries are ‘encouraged’ to do.



# Thank you for your attention!