

Group discussion: Implementation of MSITS 2010 and Tourism Statistics guidelines

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Please select group coordinator to act as facilitator and group rapporteur to summarize the discussion. Within allocated time, you have to complete all questions below. It is important that all members of the group actively participate and involve in the discussion.

MSITS 2010 Implementation

1. What are the main challenges in the implementation of MSITS2010 recommendations regarding services transactions between residents and nonresidents (including BPM6 recommendations, and further details: EBOPS2010, partner countries, modes of supply)? What are the data gaps? Does this differ depending on the sources that are used: ITRS, enterprise survey, surveys of persons or households, administrative data, other sources?
2. Is data sharing among institutes a problem and how could you improve this? Share your country experience.
3. What are the plans for publishing data according to new standards (i.e. start date, levels of detail)? What are plans for conversion to EBOPS 2010 for historical data? Backcasting?

Integrated Economic Statistics/Linking Trade and Business Statistics/FATS

4. Does your country have Centralized Statistics Business Register (SBR)? If yes, are you able to regularly link trade micro data (both in goods and services) with the SBR?

Improving quality

5. Due to development in Global Value Chains, there is a need to reduce bilateral asymmetries. It implies the agreement between countries to share the data. In your opinion, what is the best way to proceed? What do you expect the role of international/regional in this regard?

Capacity Building – MSITS 2010

6. How do you foresee the support of international organizations for the implementation of MSITS 2010 in your country? Discuss from the following options: description of compilation practices in other countries, provision of IT tools, training courses and workshops, e-learning materials, technical assistance missions, establishing joint project, etc.