**Questionnaire for the International Workshop on Updated Recommendations in the Trade Statistics Manuals - IMTS 2026 and MSITS 2026**

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# Section I. Your contact information (required) and consent:

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| 1. Country: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. Institution: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. Contact person: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. E-mail: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 1. Do you give consent that we may anonymously publish your responses to this questionnaire?   Yes  No |

# Section II. Capacity of countries to implement IMTS 2026

Please review the expected updates in the *International Merchandise Trade Statistics: Concepts and Definitions (IMTS 2026)* and answer the questions below. The expected updates can be found here: <https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/session_56/documents/BG-3k-TradeManualRevision-E.pdf> (in Section II)

1. Please let us know about your ability to implement these updates.

Able to implement all

Able to implement most

Able to implement some while some others are hard to implement

Most are hard to implement

Not sure

1. Which of the updates or enhanced recommendations in IMTS 2026 do you find challenging to implement in your country? (Select all that apply)

Broaden the scope of IMTS (including illegal movement of otherwise legal goods and informal cross-border trade)

Data sharing arrangements

Use of alternative data sources

Trade system (General trade system is preferable. If not possible, the relaxed special trade system should be used. The strict special trade system should only be used as a last resort.)

Use of the most current edition of HS

Recording of invoice values as supplementary information (to facilitate the consideration in the post BPM7 and post 2025 SNA transitioning to invoice valuation)

Extended standard units of quantity

Additional data elements, including country of origin for re-exports and output codes regarding nature of transactions)

Use of SDMX-IMTS

Others, please elaborate: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. What are the main challenges you foresee in implementing the updated recommendations in IMTS 2026?

Click or tap here to enter text.

# Section III. Capacity of countries to implement MSITS 2026

If you are responsible for compiling trade in services statistics, please review the expected updates for the *Manual on Statistics on International Trade in Services (MSITS 2026)* and answer the questions below. The expected updates can be found here: <https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/session_56/documents/BG-3k-TradeManualRevision-E.pdf> (in Section III)

1. Please let us know about your ability to implement these updates.

Able to implement all

Able to implement most

Able to implement some while some others are hard to implement

Most are hard to implement

Not sure

1. Which of the updates or enhanced recommendations in MSITS 2026 do you find challenging to implement in your country? (Select all that apply)

Alignment with BPM7 and 2025 SNA

More granularity of trade in services data

Quantitative indicators on the international supply of services

International supply of services through commercial presence (Mode 3 of Supply of Services) i.e. Foreign AffiliaTes Statistics (FATS)

Update of EBOPS 2026

Others, please elaborate: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. What are the main challenges you foresee in implementing the updated recommendations for MSITS?

Click or tap here to enter text.

# Section IV. Demand and capacity to implement HIBTS

Please review the background note on *the Handbook on Integrating Business and Trade Statistics* (HIBTS) and answer the questions below. The document can be found here: <https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/session_56/documents/BG-3k-HIBTS-E.pdf>;

1. Please let us know your capacity to implement the integration of business and trade statistics.

Able to implement

Moderately challenging to implement

Very challenging to implement

Not sure

1. What level of priority does your country place on integrating business and trade statistics?

Low

Medium

High

1. How is the policy relevance of integrating business and trade statistics for your country?

Very relevant

Somewhat relevant

Not relevant

Not sure

1. What are the main challenges you foresee in integrating business and trade statistics?

Click or tap here to enter text.

# Section V. About the Workshop

1. Which topics do you want this workshop to focus on?

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. What type of support do you need for implementing IMTS, MSITS, and/or HIBTS?

Click or tap here to enter text.