Meeting of the Task Force on Statistics of International Trade in Services (TFSITS)

28 and 29th March 2011

Starting at 9.30 am

(The joint meeting with the TF on IMTS took place on the 30th of March)

Eurostat Luxembourg

Agenda

1. Welcome and Opening (Eurostat)
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Approval of the report of the last TF meeting in Paris, 7th October 2010 TFSITS (March2011)1
5. Follow-up of the Global Trade Forum (UNSD) TFSITS (March2011)3
6. 2014 International Trade in Services data request (Eurostat) TFSITS (March2011)4
7. SDMX Data Structure and Codification for Balance of Payments and International Investment Position (Eurostat) TFSITS (March2011)27
8. Highlighting different types of issues following a predefined taxonomy
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   d. Review of statistics on trade flows in services – data compilation and availability (WTO) TFSITS(March2011)19
9. The implementation and compilation guidance process
   a. Draft outline of the MSIT Compilation Guidance (OECD-UNSD) TFSITS (March2011)9
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f. The Australian International Legal Services Advisory Council legal services survey (WTO)

10. Revision of concordance annexes to the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services (MSITS)

a. Recording management of patents and license fees in EBOPS 2010 (and in CPC rev.2) (OECD & WTO) TFSITS (March 2011)24

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e. Merging the annex 1 of the WTO Training module and the Analytical toolbox (WTO, OECD) TFSITS (March 2011)13 TFSITS (March 2011)28


12. Promoting the MSITS 2010 and organizing TF work

a. TFSITS Website (UNSD) TFSITS (March 2011)17

b. TFSITS Upcoming seminars and expert groups (UNSD) TFSITS (March 2011)18

13. Any Other Business

a. Statistics on ITS in Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) TFSITS (March 2011)23

b. Packaged tours, their importance for tourism and basic issues related with their measurement in tourism statistics (UNWTO).

14. Issues to be presented at the Joint meeting.

15. Date and location of next TF meeting (10 November 2011, Paris)