

# Regional Workshop for the CIS countries

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## Metadata and Quality Reporting

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# ESS standards for Quality reports

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## Structure (1)

1. Introduction to statistical process and its outputs
  - Overview required to provide the context for the report
2. Relevance
3. Accuracy
4. Timeliness and punctuality
5. Accessibility and clarity
6. Coherence and comparability
7. Trade-offs between output quality components
  - Many cases where improvements with respect to one component may lead to deterioration with respect to another
  - Example: accuracy versus timeliness

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## Structure (2)

### 8. Assessment of user needs and perceptions

- Users: starting point for quality considerations
- Information regarding their needs and perceptions should be obtained for all output quality components at the same time

### 9. Cost, performance and respondent burden

- Important process quality components
- Trade-offs versus output quality components

### 10. Confidentiality, transparency and security

- Also important process quality components
- Example: accuracy versus timeliness
- Trade-offs that have to be made should be described

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## Introduction

- Implementation of Article 5 of the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning European Statistics on Tourism

## Process

- Templates MS / TF → WG meeting → Replies from MS / TF → Checking answers → New templates

## Templates / questionnaires

- Part A&B of the Directive (A - Capacity / B - Occupancy)
- Part C of the Directive (C - Demand Side)

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## Results of the exercise in February - April 2010

- The results cover the reports from:
  - EU-27 (part A&B: Ireland - incomplete; part C: Sweden – missing)
  - EFTA countries
  - Candidate countries (Macedonia - not covered)
- Proposed period of data collection to which MQR should refer
  - Part A – year 2008
  - Part B – peak month (with the highest # of nights)
  - Part C – 3rd quarter of 2008

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 1. Cover information

- Period which data refers to (peak month) – part B
  - July 2008 – 16 countries
  - August 2008 – 14 countries
- Data collection
  - Majority of countries uses the same survey for capacity and occupancy
  - For 6 countries the surveys seem to be different (according to the names of the surveys)

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 2. Statistical presentation

- Reference period – part A
  - Maximum value of the year – 9 countries
  - 31-Dec – 7 countries
  - Unclear answer – 7 countries (e.g. month or calendar year)
- Type of survey
  - Business surveys (in particular censuses)
  - Via local authorities (4 countries)
- Classification used
  - NACE, Revision 1.1 / Revision 2

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 2. Statistical presentation

- Thresholds used
  - Wide range of thresholds
  - No; 40 beds; 20 bedrooms
  - Different for types of establishments
- Statistical units
  - Local unit
  - Local kind-of-activity unit



# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 3. General methodological information

- Coverage of data
  - Holiday dwellings seem to be problem for some countries

## 4. Deadline and timeliness

- Transmission deadlines / Timeliness
  - Big differences (1 day vers. 120, 210 and 225 days)
  - Deserve to be compared in details

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 5. Information on data collection

- Additional information collected
  - Occupied rooms
  - Purpose of trip (business or holiday)
  - Information on conferences
  - Services offered, Capacity of catering
  - Statistics on marinas
  - Number of persons employed
  - Usage of bedrooms
  - Turnover, Information about personnel and prices
  - Quality Assurance rating
  - Breakdowns by region of origin

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 6. Survey population

- Type of population frame
  - Administrative register
  - Statistical register of accommodation establishments
  - Statistical business register
- Coverage errors
  - Under-coverage
- Target population (part A / part B)
  - 204 000 / 201 000 - Hotels and similar
  - 29 000 / 26 000 - Campsites
  - 115 000 / 92 000 - Holiday dwellings
  - 81 000 / 79 000 - Other establishments

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 7. Sampling

- Sampling design
  - 7 countries
- Study population (part A / part B)
  - 196 000 / 158 000 - Hotels and similar
  - 29 000 / 24 000 - Campsites
  - 112 000 / 90 000 - Holiday dwellings
  - 72 000 / 68 000 - Other establishments

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 8. Unit non-response

- Unit response rate (part A / part B)

### EU level

- 5% / 13% - Hotels and similar
- 13% / 26% - Campsites
- 1% / 2% - Holiday dwellings
- 3% / 8% - Other establishments

### Country level

- From 100% to 50% - good practices could be shared

# MQR - results of the exercise - part A & B

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## 9. Item non-response

- Item response rate
  - Not a big problem

## 10. Grossing-up procedures

- Grossing-up procedures for the number of units
  - Only small number of countries uses sampling
  - Different approaches

## 11. Sampling errors

- Coefficient of variation
  - Only few countries have experience in calculation CV in this field of statistics

# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 1. Cover information

- Period which data refers to
  - Not all countries refer to 3rd quarter as suggested
- Data collection
  - Information on 42 surveys
  - 8 countries use more than one survey

# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 2. Statistical presentation

- Reference period
  - Month – 10 countries
  - Quarter – 7 countries
  - Year – 2 countries ??
- Type of survey
  - Household sample survey
  - Border survey
- Means of data collection
  - CATI
  - Face-to-face interview



# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 3. Information on data collection

- Additional information collected
  - Education - 21 surveys
  - Employment situation - 23 surveys
  - Income - 12 surveys
  - Same-day visits - 21 surveys
  - Type of destination - 13 surveys
  - Activities during the visit - 12 surveys
  - Other information - 23 surveys

# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 4. Deadline and timeliness

- Transmission deadlines / Timeliness
  - 20 days to 7 months

## 5. Survey population

- Type of population frame
  - Various types

## 6. Sampling

- Sampling methods
  - All kinds of techniques
- Study population
  - From 10 000 to 350 000

# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 7. Unit no-response

- Unit response rate
  - 100% to only 10%

## 8. Item non-response rate

- Item response rate
  - Expenditures cause problems

## 9. Grossing-up procedures

- Following procedure widely used
  - $\frac{\# \text{ persons in target population}}{\# \text{ person in sample}}$

# MQR - results of the exercise - part C

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## 10. Sampling errors

- Sampling errors
  - Information for 20 surveys
- Coefficient of variation
  - The highest CV for business trips