World Statistics Day: “Central bank statistics in a global context”

Wednesday, 20 October 2010

2.15 p.m-4.30 p.m.

European Central Bank, Conference room CIV, 2nd floor, Eurotower, Kaiserstrasse 29, 60311 Frankfurt am Main

Programme as part of the Fifth ECB Conference on Statistics


2.15 p.m. Introduction by Aurel Schubert, Director General Statistics, European Central Bank and Chairman of the Statistics Committee, European System of Central Banks.

2.20 p.m.-2.40 p.m. Presentation by Jürgen Stark, Member of the Executive Board, European Central Bank, “Contributions of central bank statistics in a global context”.

2.45 p.m.-3.25 p.m. Recorded video statements by the following guest speakers:

Murilo Portugal, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund, “The financial crisis and information gaps”.

Rebecca Blank, Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, United States Department of Commerce, “Responding to the financial crisis: the role of statistics in the assessment of domestic and international policy”.


3. 30 p.m.-4.20 p.m. Panel discussion and Q&A.

Chair (tbc):

The panel will include:

**Manuel Marfán**, Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Chile and Chair, Irving Fisher Committee on Central Bank Statistics, “Future central bank initiatives to close data gaps revealed by the financial crisis”.

**Chihiro Sakuraba**, Deputy Director-General, Research and Statistics Department, Bank of Japan, “The usefulness of micro data and the development of micro databases: a panacea for transparent financial statistics?”

**João Cadete de Matos**, Director General Statistics, Banco de Portugal, “How to maintain trust in and the credibility of European statistics”.

**Philippe Moutot**, Director of Monetary Policy, Directorate General Economics, European Central Bank, Discussant.

Concluding remarks by the Chair.

4.25 p.m.-4.30 p.m. ECB statistics video, “Statistics-News you can use.”