

September 30, 2013

**Voorburg Group 2013 Agenda**

**Location: Banquet Room “Takao” on 42F, Keio Plaza Hotel**

**Monday, October 7**

- 08:30 – 09:00 Registration, Refreshments  
09:00 – 09:15 Welcoming Remarks – **Masahiko SUE, Director-General of the Statistics Bureau of Japan**
- 09:15– 09:45 Opening Remarks & Meeting Agenda Overview – **David Friedman, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics**  
Country Progress Reports – **John Murphy - United States Census Bureau & David Friedman, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics**
- 9:45 – 10:15 Group Photo
- 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 12:30 **Session: Sector Papers and Issues Papers**  
**Session Leader: David Friedman, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.**  
Presentation, Discussion, and Adoption of the Sector Papers on Commercial and Industrial Machinery (**Niall O’Hanlon – Central Statistics Office of Ireland**); Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Services (**John Murphy, United States Census Bureau**); Consumer and Households Goods Repair and Maintenance (Renata Rechnio - **Central Statistical Office of Poland**); and Water Treatment and Distribution Services (**Richard McMahon, Central Statistics Office of Ireland**)
- 12:30– 13:30 Lunch Break
- 13:30 – 15:30 **Session: Cross Cutting Topics – Part 1**  
**Session Leader: Mary Beth Garneau, Statistics Canada**  
Linking Services Turnover/Output Prices to the National Macroeconomic Framework (Neil Kelly, **Statistics New Zealand**; **Jakob Kalko, Statistics Norway**; **Dorothee Blang, Federal Statistical Office-Germany**; **Alain Gallais, France**; **Ildiko Hamvaine Holocsy, Hungarian Central Statistical Office**)  
**Current plan for this session is as follows:**
- a. Introduction (Garneau)
  - b. Linking SPPI to National Accounts (Gallais)
  - c. Improvements to the quality & coherence of service measures in the New Zealand National Accounts (Kelly\*)
  - d. Beyond the National Accounts – other important uses that should be considered in services turnover and price data (Kalko)
  - e. Update on work of Eurostat Task Force on Index of Services Production (Blang)
  - f. Discussion of country issues
- 15:30 – 15/45 Coffee Break

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15:45 – 16:45 **Session: Cross Cutting Topics – Part 2**

**Session Leader: Alain Gallais, INSEE-France**

Quality Change and Quality Adjustment – The Consumer Utility Approach  
(**Alain Gallais – France**); Update from approach to Ottawa Group (**MaryBeth  
Garneau – Statistics Canada**)

16:45 – 17:15

**Session: Cross Cutting Topics – Part 3**

**Session Leader: John Murphy, United States Census Bureau**

ISIC and the CPC – Voorburg Group Contributions in Preparing for the Next  
ISIC Revision

Daily Wrap-up and Further Discussion (if Needed)

18:00 – 20:00

Cocktail Reception - “Moon Light” Room on 43<sup>rd</sup> floor of Keio Plaza Hotel

**Tuesday, October 8**

9:00 – 12:00

**Session: Programming and Broadcasting Activities**  
**Session Leader: Hina Kikegawa, Bank of Japan**

Mini-presentations on Turnover/Output for Programming and Broadcasting Activities (**Sakuya Iijima, Statistics Bureau of Japan; Kristian Taskinen, Statistics Finland; Abdullah Yuksel, TurkStat-Turkey; Fuziah Md. Amin, Department of Statistics-Malaysia**)

Coffee Break (10:30-10:45)

Mini-presentations on PPI for Programming and Broadcasting Activities (**Bonnie Murphy, U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics; Denis Gac, INSEE - France; Michael Morgan, Australian Bureau of Statistics**)

Presentation of Discussant's Remarks on Mini-presentations for Programming and Broadcasting Activities: **Chris Jenkins, Office of National Statistics-United Kingdom**

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch Break

13:00 – 15:30

**Session: Software Publishing Activities**  
**Session Leader: Michael Morgan, Australia**

Mini-presentations on Turnover/Output for Software Publishing (**Mary Beth Garneau, Canada; Jonas Farnstrand, Statistics Sweden**)

Mini-presentations on PPI for Software Publishing (**Johanna von Borstel, Federal Statistical Office-Germany; Marcus Friden, Statistics Sweden; Bonnie Murphy, United States**)

Presentation of Discussant's Remarks on Mini-presentations for Software Publishing: **Ruth Vizner, Central Bureau of Statistics-Israel**

15:30 – 15:45

Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00

**Session: Cross Cutting Topics – Part 4 (3 20 minute presentations)**  
**Session Leader: David Friedman, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics**  
**Barbro von Hofsten, Statistics Sweden** – Extracting Data from Enterprise Accounting Systems  
**Jakob Kalko, Statistics Norway** – Selective Editing and Automated Corrections of Micro-Data in the Structural Business Statistics of Norway  
**Miao Zheng National Bureau of Statistics of China** – On-Line Reporting: Corrections through Dissemination

17:00 – 17:10

Daily Wrap-up and Further Discussion (if Needed)

**Wednesday, October 9/ Host Country Day**

- 09:00 – 10:00      **Session: Cross Cutting issues – part 5 (3 20 minute presentations including Q&A)**  
**Session Leader: Bonnie Murphy, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics**  
**Jean-François Baron, INSEE-France:** New processing software for data editing  
**David Friedman, United States:** US PPI Enhancement: Adding Services and Construction to the Program’s Leading Aggregate Indexes  
**Ramon Bravo, INEGI-Mexico:** On-line Respondent Portal of the National Economic Surveys
- 10:00 – 10:30      **Update on the Work of the OECD-Eurostat Taskforce on the Revision for the SPPI Manual** (Anne-Sophie Fraisse, OECD & Niall O’Hanlon, Ireland)
- 10:30 – 10:45      Coffee Break
- 10:45 – 12:00      Presentation by the Statistics Bureau of Japan
- 12:00 – 13:00      Lunch Break
- 13:10 – 17:30      Field Trip/ Sightseeing
- 19:00                Welcome Reception at Hyatt Regency Tokyo- “Sky Room”, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor  
(Dress Code: Semi-Formal)\*

\*Hyatt Regency is a six-minute walk from the Keio Plaza Hotel; directions will be provided.

**Thursday, October 10**

- 09:00 – 12:00      **Session: Other Publishing Activities**  
**Session Leader: Derek Bird, Office of National Statistics-United Kingdom**
- Mini-presentations of Turnover/Output for Publishing Activities (Alain Gallais, France; Ramon Bravo, Mexico)**
- Coffee Break (10:30-10:45)
- Mini-presentations of PPI for Other Publishing Activities (Denis Gac, France; Ruth Vizner, Israel; Jiří Šulc, Czech Republic\*)**
- Presentation of Discussant's remarks on Mini-presentations for Other Publishing Activities: **Mauro Politi, ISTAT-Italy**
- 12:00 – 13:00      Lunch Break
- 13:00 – 15:30      **Session: Warehousing and Support Activities**  
**Session Leader: Dorothee Blang, Germany**
- Mini-presentations on Turnover/Output for Warehousing and Support Activities (**Jean-Pierre Bachelert, France; Robbert de Ruijter, Statistics Netherlands**)
- Mini-presentations on SPPIs for Warehousing and Support Activities (**Christopher Jenkins, United Kingdom; Jonas Ingman, Statistics Sweden; Jean-Pierre Bachelart, France**)
- Presentation of Discussant's Remarks on Warehousing and Support Activities – **Michael Morgan, Australia**
- 15:30 – 15:45      Coffee Break
- 15:45 – 17:45      **Session: Postal Activities**  
**Session Leader: Ildiko Hamvaine Holocsy, Hungary**
- Mini-presentations on Turnover/Output for Postal Activities (**Eva-Marie Gustafsson, Statistics Sweden; Ildiko Hamvaine Holocsy, Hungary; Roberto Iannaccone, ISTAT-Italy**)
- Mini-presentations on SPPIs for Postal Activities (**Ildiko Hamvaine Holocsy, Hungary; Christian Puchter, Statistics Austria; Eveli Sokman, Statistics Estonia**)
- Presentation of Discussant's Remarks on Postal Activities – **Derek Bird, United Kingdom**
- 17:45 – 17:50      Daily Wrap-up and Further Discussion (if Needed)

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**Friday, October 11**

09:00 – 10:30

**Session**

**Session Leader: David Friedman, United States**

Future Agenda

Update on Action Item from 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting: Status of Voorburg Group Permanent Website (VG Bureau)

Assignment of the Sector Papers for Programming and Broadcasting, Software Publishing, Other Publishing Activities, Warehousing and Support Activities, and Postal Activities

Designation of Industries and Assignments for VG 2014 Mini-presentations – Part 1 – Possibilities: Will discuss at meeting. For now, here are some possibilities to consider - Travel Agencies (ISIC 79- revisit); Telecommunications (ISIC 61 – revisit); Leasing of intellectual property and similar products except copyrighted material (ISIC 7740); session on manufacturing services/FGPs/etc. and how different countries are handling them

Designation of Papers on Cross Cutting Topics – If included

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00

Designation of Industries and Assignments for VG 2014 Mini-presentations – Part 2

Update on Proposed Guidelines on VG Governance and Bureau Representation – **David Friedman, United States**

Closing Remarks and Meeting Arrangements for Next Year – **David Friedman, United States**