

VOORBURG GROUP 2003

Questionnaire for the new or relatively new (first or second time) and occasional participants

Please describe what kind of statistical activities you have in the fields of the 2002-2004 Voorburg Group program. The main areas of the Voorburg Group program are:

- 1) PPI for services,
- 2) Classification of service activities and products,
- 3) Information society statistics, and
- 4) Ad hoc issues which are: non profit institutions, sales by service products (measurement of turnover of detailed products), and short term indicators.

I – DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

Does your country collect information in any of the aforementioned areas of the Voorburg Group program? No Yes If ~~yes~~, for which ones and since when?

No 3 – Economics Census 2001 Malaysia – Information and Communication Technology

(ICT) and No 2 – Malaysia Classification of Products By Activity 2000 Part 1 and Part 2

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Provide a brief description of activities for each areas in which you are involved.

1.Planning and organizing the rebasing of current PPI (1987=100) to (2000=100) as well as

studying the methodology of PPI for services (newly area to be start in 2004)

2. Conducting surveys and censuses on service activities

Which are the statistically most developed areas in your country?

Population and Housing , Prices, National Accounts , Balance of Payments and Income &

Expenditure

Is there any area, for which you have statistics providing international comparison?

Prices – International Comparison Program (ICP)

II – ISSUES & CHALLENGES

What are the most important issues for your country from the 2002-2004 Voorburg Group program?

Producing the PPI For Services and Finalisation of the Classification of Service Activities

And Products

What are the greatest challenges you are facing currently in these areas?

1. Determining the weights and specifications of the service products

2. Finalising the classification service activities and products

III – PRIORITIES – FUTURE WORK

What kind of development programs or plans do you have on these fields?

Studying the various specification for services by conducting the pilot survey for selected

services recommended by The National Accounts Division

IV – MOTIVATIONS & EXPECTATIONS

What are your main motivations for attending the next Voorburg Group meeting?

To get knowledge and sharing experiences of other participants who already produced the

PPI for service sector

What are your expectations concerning the next Voorburg Group meeting?

Getting information as much as possible from other participants in conducting the PPI for

Services especially the problems encountered during the survey period.

What is the expected outcome of your participation?

Be able to identify and classify the type of service product (output) in Malaysia in order for

us to start the price collection in 2004.

Thank you for taking the time to answer this questionnaire.