31st MEETING OF THE VOORBURG GROUP ON SERVICE STATISTICS

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• The Croatian Bureau of Statistics is delighted to announce that the 31st meeting of the Voorburg Group on Service Statistics in 2016 will be held in Zagreb, Croatia.

• Croatia is a small European country situated in South-Eastern Europe at the crossroads of the Adriatic Sea and the Pannonian Plain. Croatia is divided into 21 counties and it has a population of about 4 million.
The Croatian Bureau of Statistics has a long tradition and is celebrating 140 years of official statistics in Croatia this year.

CBS is the main producer, disseminator and coordinator of the Official Statistical System of the Republic of Croatia as well as the main representative of the national statistical system in front of European and international bodies competent for statistical affairs.
• The organization is structured into eight directorates located on two premises in Zagreb and an additional directorate is made up of the 13 regional units and the 34 branch offices.

• Currently the CBS employs 560 employees

• The Director General of the CBS is Mr. Marko Krištof. Although not long in this position, in the last few years he has significantly improved National Statistics and made it more favourable to users.
• Zagreb is the capital city of Croatia and also its largest city.
• It is located in the northwest of the country, along the Sava river, at the southern slopes of the Medvednica mountain.
• Zagreb is the only city in Croatia with a population of over one million.
• It is a city with numerous historical monuments and medieval architecture.
• The city also offers a vibrant nightlife, plenty of restaurants, cafés and lots of theatres.
• The conference will very likely be held at one of Zagreb's hotels situated in the city centre
• **Interesting Facts About Zagreb**

  Zagreb has more museums per capita than any other city in the world, giving it the nickname of 'the city of museums'.

  The city boasts a museum of Croatian architecture, history, ‘Croatian Naive Art’, ethnography, and art – but there’s two museums in particular that steal the spotlight:
  - Unique Museum of Broken Relationships, devoted to mementos from relationships of all kinds and
  - An interesting new Museum of Illusions
Every day for over hundred and ten years, a cannon fires from the top of Lotrščak tower exactly at noon in memory of an event from Zagreb history.

St. Mark's Church with a unique, colourful south portal.
Look forward to seeing you in

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