Voorburg Group 2018 Agenda

Monday, September 24

08:30-09:00  Registration, refreshments

09:00-9:15  Welcoming Remarks – Stefano Menghinello (Director of the Directorate for economic statistics)

09:15-10:30  Opening Remarks & Meeting Agenda Overview – Voorburg Group co-chairs: Jakob Kalko, Statistics Norway / Mary Beth Garneau, Statistics Canada
Participant introductions – All

10:30-11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:30  Session: Country Coverage of Services
Session leader: Jakob Kalko
Country Progress Reports – John Murphy (US Census)
The Status of Price Statistics Compilation in 196 Economies – Margarida Martins (IMF)
International Comparisons of SPPIs – Mary O’Mahony (UK)

11:30-12:30  Session: Sector and issues papers (part 1)
Session leader: Mary Beth Garneau
Investment Banking Sector Paper (64.9), Marcus Friden (Sweden)
Lucy Opsitnik (Canada), Andrew Baer and Bonnie Murphy (US), Gopal Singh Negi and Anupam Mitra (India)

Revisited Sector Paper on Telecommunications, Christian Puchter (Austria)
Dorothee Blang (Germany), Bonnie Murphy (US), Ildiko Holocsy (Hungary), Jakob Kalko (Norway)

12:30-13:30  Lunch break

13:30-14:00  Session: Sector and issues papers (part 2)
Session leader: Bonnie Murphy
Motion picture, video and television production, sound recording and music publishing (59.1 and 59.2), Rohan Draper (Sweden)

14.00-15:30  Session: Data processing, hosting and related activities (63.11)
Session leader: Christian Stock (Austria)
Output: Ramon Bravo (Mexico), Olof Landberg (Sweden), Andrew Baer (US)
SPPI: Susanna Tåg (Finland), Beata Cebula (Poland), Itsik Tal (Israel)
Discussant: Dorothee Blang (Germany)
15:30-16:00  Coffee break
16:00-16:30  Conclude session: Data processing, hosting and related activities (63.11)
16:30-17:00  Session: Input to future agenda  
**Session leader: Jakob Kalko**  
John Murphy (US)
17:30-19:00  Cocktail reception

**Tuesday, September 25**

9:00-9:30  Session: Session: Sector and issues papers (part 3)  
**Session leader: Bonnie Murphy**  
Revisited Sector Paper on Architectural and Engineering Services , Kat Pegler (UK)  
Yann Leurs/Frederic Ouradou (France), Maja Dozet (Croatia), Cristina Cecconi (Italy),  
Moegi Inoue (Japan), Ramon Bravo (Mexico) Aginiezka Matulska-Bachura (Poland),  
Jakob Kalko (Norway)

9:30-10:30  Session: Cross-cutting topics I - Digital Economy  
**Session leader: Erika Barrera (Chile)**  
Ecommerce Issues Paper, Mary Beth Garneau (Canada),  
Measurement challenges of a digital economy, Erika Barrera (Chile)  
John Murphy (US), Ramon Bravo (Mexico), Cristina Cecconi (Italy)

10:30-11:30  Coffee break and group photo

11:30-12:30  Session: Cross-cutting topics II – Export of services  
**Session leader: Jakob Kalko, Norway**  
Output: Maja Dozet (Croatia), Eveli Sokman (Estonia), Agnieszka Matulska-Bachura (Poland)  
SPPI: Yann Leurs/Frederic Ouradou (France), John Jeremy (UK)  
Discussant: Margarida Martins (IMF)

12:30-13:30  Lunch break

13:30-14:45  Export of services continued

14:45-15:30  Report from Task forces  
**Session leader: Mary Beth Garneau**  
**CDF - Jakob Kalko (Norway)**, Dorothee Blang (Germany), Erika Barrera (Chile),  
Marcus Friden (Sweden), John Murphy (US)  
**VG website – Lucy Opsitnik (Canada)**, Andrew Baer (US), John Jeremy (UK)
Update to glossary – Bonnie Murphy (US)

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:00 Session: Cross-cutting topics III – poster session
Practical aspects of profiling and collecting data on large complex enterprises
Session leader: Cristina Cecconi
Barbro von Hofsten (Sweden), Gopal Singh Negi (India), Jennifer Winters (Canada), Simone Ambroselli (Italy)

Wednesday, September 26

9:00-9:30 Conclude Session: Practical aspects of profiling and collecting data on large complex enterprises
Session leader: Cristina Cecconi
Group Report Out

9:30-10:00 Session: Modern methods (part 1)
Session leader: Mary Beth Garneau
Vizualization Tool, Bonnie Murphy (US)

10:00-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30 -11:45 Host Presentations

Introduction: Istat President
Modernisation program in Istat: business architecture and governance - Valerio Fiorespino (Head of the Department for data collection and development of methods and technologies for the production and dissemination of statistical information)

The system of statistical registers and their use in the production of official statistics - Roberto Monducci (Head of the Department for statistical production)

Business statistics in Italy: recent developments and future perspectives - Stefano Menghinello (Director of the Directorate for economic statistics)
Discussion

12:00 Lunch and country day
Thursday, September 27

09:00-10:00  Bureau meeting – VG Bureau members only

10:00 – 10:15  Coffee Break

10:15 - 11:30  Session: Cross-cutting topic IV – Intermediaries in the provision of services
Session leader: John Murphy (US)
Classification principles, John Murphy (US)
Output issues, administrative data, Bi, Xinhua (China)
Output measurement of Travel Arrangers and Tour Operators, Jennifer Winters (Canada)
SPPI perspective: Intermediaries in the provision of services: "Brokers’ activity in sea transport", Cristina Ceconi (Italy)
SPPI issues, Mark Lomax (Netherlands)

11:30-12:30  Cross cutting topic V – Quality adjustment in a digital economy
Session leader: Kat Pegler
Hedonics for Telecommunications and Cloud Computing, Bonnie Murphy (US BLS)
Quality adjustment of digital services in Japan’s SPPIs - Moegi Inoue (Bank of Japan)
Quality adjustment and use of large datasets for SPPIs, Ana Aizcorbe (US BEA)

12:30-13:30  Lunch Break

13:30-14:30  Session: Recent developments in Wholesale Trade
Session leader: Rohan Draper (Sweden)
Compilation of a WSPI in Japan, Moegi Inoue (Bank of Japan)

14:30-15:00  Session: Modern methods (part 2)
Session leader: Mary Beth Garneau
Establishing a deflator group, Kat Pegler (UK) and Lis-Lotta Sjöblom (Finland)

15:00-15:30  Coffee break

15:30-16:30  Session: Future plan and progress following VG strategic plan
Session leader: Jakob Kalko
Report on feedback for future agenda
Status of achievements in the strategic plan

16:30-17:30  Bureau Meeting – VG Bureau members only
Friday, September 28

9:00-10:15    Session: 2019 meeting plan
              **Session leader: Jakob Kalko, Voorburg Group co-chair**
              VG Governance and Bureau Representation
              Future Agenda
              Assignment of Sector Papers
              Designation of Industries and Assignments for VG 2019
              Designation of Papers on Cross-cutting topics for VG 2019

10:15-10:45   Coffee Break

10:45 -12:00   Conclude VG 2019 meeting plan
                Designation of Assignments for VG 2019
                Meeting Arrangements for Next Year
                Closing Remarks