



Planning for Next Meeting

Voorburg Group Meeting 2021

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Overview

- ① Virtual Voorburg 2020 Meeting Evaluation
- ② VG Bureau Departure and Nomination
- ③ Proposed Agenda and Assignment of Work for Voorburg 2021
- ④ VG Bureau and Delegate Tasks Before Next Meeting

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Your Evaluation Feedback

- ① All delegates will be emailed a link to a secure website after the meeting
- ② Complete the short survey within one week of the meeting
- ③ Mexico will compile the results and they will be included in these revised slides and posted on the Voorburg 2020 website - (Thank you Ramon for organizing this)

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Proposed VG Bureau - End of VG meeting 2020

- Every year, a delegate from the next host country joins the Bureau and remains until the end of following year's meeting.
- We would like to thank Yann Leurs for his contributions to the Voorburg Group as a Bureau member.
- Bonnie Murphy and Marcus Friden will remain as co-chairs.
- A representative from Israel has accepted the nomination to the Bureau – Welcome Ruth Vizner.

Members of 2021 Voorburg Group Bureau

Name	NSO
Bonnie Murphy, co-chair	US, BLS
Marcus Friden, co-chair	Statistics Sweden
Dragos Ifrim, Secretary	Statistics Canada
Erika Barrera	Central Bank of Chile
Christian Puchter	Statistics Austria
Ramon Bravo	INEGI, Mexico
Moegi Inoue	Bank of Japan
Craig Taylor	ONS, UK
Susanna Tag	Statistics Finland
Ruth Vizner	Central Bureau of Statistics, Israel

Proposed 2021 Agenda

SESSIONS with participants identified:	Contributing countries	Country contributions needed?
Revisited sector paper ISIC 77.10	UK	
Revisited sector paper ISIC 52.10	Austria	
Country Progress Reports/ Alternative data industry spreadsheet		ALL
Industry paper and presentations ISIC 77.30 Renting and leasing of other machinery, equipment and tangible goods (with small group discussions)	<i>Session leader – US Output - Canada Prices - Estonia, Hungary, France</i>	
Poster session Alternative data - Best practices to evaluate fitness for use	<i>Session leader – Finland Posters – Japan, Norway, UK, Canada</i>	
Alternative Data use in Rail Freight and Air Passenger Transportation	China	
International trade in services by mode (specific to exports)	<i>Session Leader – UK Poland, Hungary, India</i>	

Proposed 2021 Agenda

NEW SESSIONS – participants needed:	Contributing countries	Country contributions needed?
Framework document describing alignment of methodological/scope similarities for all ISIC industries between business prices (SPPI) and consumer prices (CPI) - including a few examples from participating countries of possible or actual shared alternative data) - work to be shared with or developed in collaboration with Ottawa group (TASK FORCE)		3 or 4 country participants
Strategic Plan development (Voorburg Bureau Task Force)	Voorburg Bureau	
IMF led collaboration – Comparison of Unit value and transaction pricing in Accommodation (TASK FORCE)		4 Countries with Transaction pricing in Accommodation
Data gaps and measurement issues with the online intermediary platforms (Air BnB, Uber, etc.)		2
Lessons learned in dealing with shocks (include impacts on data collection, response rate, weights, and imputation, greater or different use of administrative data and assessments of quality (variances)		3 or 4
Innovative methods for capturing Quality Change (hedonic models using new techniques like Machine Learning, etc.)	Japan	2 or 3
New techniques in the measurement of intangibles		3
Deflator gateway (improve the compilation, quality assurance and briefing around deflators)	UK and possibly Costa Rica	

Contributions for 2021 Meeting

Two methods to volunteer to contribute to a session scheduled for next year's meeting:

1. Remain on the Webex at the conclusion of this meeting to speak with the Voorburg Co-chairs
2. Send an email to the Voorburg co-chairs, Bonnie Murphy and Marcus Friden by **October 9** with your name, NSO and topic

VG 2020 Follow-up Tasks

Report to UNSC

Brief report to UNSC to be delivered by November 30.

Meeting notes

First draft of meeting notes from Secretary due December 1, 2020
Session leaders review and comment by Dec. 31, 2020
Final notes to the Chairs by January 31, 2021

Updates to 2020 papers

Updates to papers from this year's meeting are due no later than January 15 2021 – Send to voorburgmeeting2020@stat.fi

VG 2020 Follow-up Tasks (2 of 3)

Strategic Plan

Develop proposal for new Strategic Plan including work to develop a collaborative space for VG participants

Future Agenda

Continue to look for the most pressing issues for participants to maintain the relevance and usefulness of the work of the Group

Standard Instructions

Post standardized instructions for session leaders, discussants, mini presentations, etc. on Voorburg website.

VG 2020 Follow-up Tasks (3 of 3)

Update glossary

Update the glossary with new terms introduced at this meeting and from the Paris meeting (based on meeting notes – Paris notes will be posted on the Voorburg website by November).

Web / communications

Determine any enhancements to be made to VG site.

VG Host 2021



Thank You!!!



○ Thank you to Statistics Finland for hosting a very successful virtual meeting this year!

○ Thank you to all VG participants for your many contributions and excellent insights, discussions and participation.

○ WE HOPE TO “SEE” YOU ALL NEXT YEAR In PERSON but VIRTUALLY FOR SURE.

Voorburg Roles and Responsibilities Following Slides for Reference only

Voorburg Bureau Roles and Responsibilities

- Plan future meetings
 - Week of meeting:
 - Meet Sunday late afternoon
 - Thursday morning and late afternoon
 - Between meetings
 - E-mail communications
 - Possible teleconference as needed
- Provide leadership between and during VG meetings through various roles such as:
 - Session leaders
 - Lead Task Forces
 - Write papers
- Voice the diverse interests and needs of the Group

Description of tasks

Session leader

Plans and coordinates session in advance of the meeting. Communicates with the co-chairs and the session participants. Sees that the papers followed the agreed formatted are submitted on time. Introduces the session, provides consolidated information on consolidation for industry sessions and leads discussion. Usually tasked to lead the writing of the sector/issue/guidance paper.

Discussant

Read all papers for assigned session and present comments, insights, new ideas and discussion points before the discussion

Task force member

Expected to contribute towards completion of a task between meetings. Communication may be through email webex, teleconference or other methods of collaboration

Presenter of Poster

Prepares a summary abstract or full paper on the topic in advance of the meeting. Prepares a printed poster for the meeting. Presents a brief summary of the content of the poster (5 minutes) and leads discussion in small groups (usually 3 to 5 times depending on the number of posters in a session).

Types of papers

INDUSTRY PAPER (minipresentation)

Following the CDF, paper summarizes the practices of the country in the measurement of a industry (Output paper omits the section on SPPI and vice versa). Accompanied by a 10 minute presentation on the industry/products within your country and specific issues or points to highlight for discussion (not a repeat of the methods in the paper).

SECTOR PAPER

Following the CDF, the sector paper compiles the best practices of the group in the measurement of a specific industry. Usually written by the session leader of the industry session in the preceding year, authors of the related industry papers usually contribute.

REVISITED SECTOR PAPER

The revisited sector paper will align the previous sector paper to the new CDF, and will seek input from other VG members to add new information, best practices, etc. to the paper.

Types of papers

COUNTRY
EXPERIENCES
(Cross-cutting
topics)

Describes an issue or topic as it relates to measurement of output/prices along with any solutions, practices or lessons learned by your country. Paper will be presented with a short presentation

ISSUE PAPER

The issue paper summarizes the challenges of a cross-cutting topic or industry for which the Group has less experience or more questions than solutions. The paper is usually written by the session leader from the previous meeting with input from authors of the related country papers.

GUIDANCE
PAPERS

The Guidance paper provides practical advice on how to handle a cross cutting topic. One example is the concerning bundling", presented in 2015, Sydney.

Contributions in other formats

Poster

Describes an issue or topic as it relates to measurement of output/prices along with any solutions, best practices or lessons learned by your country. A comprehensive paper describes the methods and practices accompanied by a poster. The poster is presented to a small group (maximum 5 minutes) followed by discussion.

DEMOS

Ad hoc demonstration of modern methods for output, price and/or volume measures based on specific innovations of participating countries. Concept should be replicable in other NSOs to be considered