



**Economic and Social
Council**

Distr.
GENERAL

ECE/CES/2008/INF.1
11 March 2008

ENGLISH ONLY

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

STATISTICAL COMMISSION

CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS

Fifty-sixth plenary session
Paris, 10-12 June 2008

**INFORMATION NOTE
FOR THE FIFTY-SIXTH PLENARY SESSION**

To be held in the Conference Centre
of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Paris

I. DATE AND VENUE OF THE PLENARY SESSION

1. The fifty-sixth plenary session will be held at the OECD Conference Centre, 2, rue André-Pascal, 75016 Paris, from Tuesday 10 June until Thursday 12 June 2008. The meeting will commence at 14:30 on Tuesday 10 June and will finish on Thursday 12 June at 17:30. The meeting of the OECD Committee on Statistics will be held on 9-10 June 2008 in Paris back-to-back with the Conference of European Statisticians (CES), starting at 9:30 on 9 June.

II. WEBSITE ADDRESS

2. All documents for the CES plenary session will be available on the meeting's website at:

<http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2008.06.ces.htm>

III. AGENDA OF THE MEETING

3.
 - i) Opening addresses and adoption of the agenda.
 - ii) Meetings of the parent bodies of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES).
 - iii) Coordination of international statistical work in the region of the United Nations

- Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).
- (a) Business statistics.
 - (b) Statistics on income, living conditions and poverty.
 - (c) Gender statistics.
 - (d) Culture statistics.
 - (e) Environment Statistics.
- iv) Statistical metadata.
 - v) Report of the Joint UNECE/OECD/Eurostat Working Group on Statistics for Sustainable Development: A Framework for Sustainable Development Indicators.
 - vi) United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Statistical Programme and Work of the CES Teams of Specialists.
 - (a) UNECE Statistical Programme: report on 2007 and plans for 2008.
 - (b) Progress report on the impact of globalisation on National Accounts.
 - (c) Progress reports on other Teams of Specialists working under the CES.
 - vii) Seminar on strategic issues linked to the measurement of international transactions.
 - viii) Seminar on measuring population movement and integration in a globalized world.
 - ix) Selection of topics for seminar to take place during the 2009 plenary session of the CES.
 - x) Other business.
 - xi) Adoption of the report.
3. More details on the agenda items are provided in the Annotated Agenda (ECE/CES/73).

IV. ACCOMMODATION, PASSPORTS, VISAS AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

4. All participants attending the meeting are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa for France. Applications for visas should be made to the embassy or consulate of France in the country in which the participants reside. Visa application should refer to the 56th plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians to be held at the OECD Conference Center in Paris. If a formal invitation letter is required by the embassy, this can be requested from the OECD secretariat (tel: +33 1 45 24 19 19; e-mail: martine.breton@oecd.org or philippe.marson@oecd.org).

5. Participants are requested to make their own hotel and travel arrangements. Participants are advised to book hotel accommodation well in advance of the meeting. A list of hotels in close proximity to the OECD Conference Center is attached to this Information Note.

V. REGISTRATION

6. Participants are kindly requested to send the completed registration form to the UNECE secretariat by 12 May 2008 (e-mail: josephine.rauss@unece.org). The information will be sent to OECD in order to obtain ID badges from the security offices at the OECD Conference Centre in Paris on the first day of the meeting (please see the attached map). Delegates should arrive at the OECD security offices early in order to allow time for security clearance and registration.

VI. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTATION

7. The meeting room will be equipped for simultaneous interpretation, which will be provided into and from the three official working languages of the UNECE (English, French and Russian).
8. The main documents of the plenary session will be distributed in the three official languages. Some of the background documents and supporting papers may be available in the original language only.
9. The main papers for discussion at the two seminars will be prepared by invited authors. However the CES member countries are invited to contribute supporting papers to the two seminars. These supporting papers will be made available on the UNECE website, and will be taken into account in the respective discussions.
10. The following deadlines apply for papers:
 - 15 March for submitting the invited papers for the two seminars;
 - 28 April for submitting the supporting papers for the two seminars and background documents that do not require translation.
11. The invited and supporting papers should not exceed 8 pages and should be sent to the UNECE secretariat electronically in Word format to Josephine Rauss (e-mail: josephine.rauss@unece.org).
12. All documents will be available on the meeting website. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents with them, as there will be no documents available in the meeting room.

VII. CONTACT DATA

13. For further information, please contact:

Ms. Lidia Bratanova
UNECE Statistical Division
Palais des Nations
CH-1211 GENEVA 10
Switzerland
E-mail: lidia.bratanova@unece.org
Tel. : +4122 917 17 72
Fax : +4122 917 00 40

Ms. Tiina Luige
UNECE Statistical Division
Palais des Nations
CH-1211 GENEVA 10
Switzerland
E-mail: tiina.luige@unece.org
Tel. : +4122 917 10 97
Fax : +4122 917 00 40

LIST OF HOTELS CLOSE TO OECD HEADQUARTERS

Hôtel Etoile Trocadero ***

21, rue Saint Didier
75116 Paris
Tel : +33 1 45 53 01 82
Fax : +33 1 45 53 59 56
Email : hotel@etoiletrocadero.com

Single Rate : 185 Euros (breakfast included)

Hôtel Nicolo **

3, rue Nicolo
75016 Paris
Tel : +33 1 42 88 83 40
Fax : +33 1 42 24 45 41
Email : hotelnicolo@wanadoo.fr

Single Rate : 114 Euros (Breakfast included)

Hôtel d'Angleterre **

21, rue Copernic
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 47 27 80 67
Fax: +33 1 47 27 34 71
Email: yali@club-internet.fr

Single Rate : 87.78 Euros (breakfast 8.80 Euros)

Hôtel Beauséjour ***

99, rue du Ranelagh
75016 Paris
Tel : +33 1 42 88 14 39
Fax : +33 1 40 50 81 21
Email : contact@hotel-beausejour-ranelagh.com

Single Rate : 90-140 Euros (Breakfast 6 Euros)

Hôtel Hameaux de Passy **

48, rue de Passy
75016 Paris
Tel : +33 1 42 88 47 55
Fax : +33 1 42 30 83 72
Email : hameau.passy@wanadoo.fr

Single Rate : 120 Euros (Breakfast included)

Hôtel Gavarni ***

5, rue Gavarni
75016 Paris
Tel : +33 1 45 24 52 82
Fax : +33 1 40 16 95
Email : reservation@gavarni.com

Single Rate : 110-160 Euros (Breakfast 15 Euros)

Hôtel Hauts de Passy **

37, rue de l'Annonciation
75016 Paris
Tel : +33 1 42 88 47 28
Fax : +33 1 42 88 99 09
Email : hautsdepassy@aol.com

Single Rate : 110 Euros (Breakfast 7 Euros)

Hôtel Ambassade **

79, rue Lauriston
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 53 41 15
Fax: +33 1 45 53 30 80
Email: paris@hotelambassade.com
Website: www.hotel-ambassade.com

Hôtel Best Western Trocadero***

3, avenue Raymond Poincaré
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 47 27 33 30
Fax: +33 1 47 27 80 85
Email: info@bw-autrocadero.com
Website: www.bestwestern.fr

Hôtel Regina de Passy ***

6, rue de la Tour
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 24 43 64
Fax: +33 1 45 25 23 78
Email: regina@gofornet.com
Website: www.hotel-paris-passy.com/

Hôtel du Bois ***

11, rue du Dome
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 00 31 96
Fax: +33 1 45 00 90 05
Email: hoteldubois@wanadoo.fr
Website: www.hoteldubois.com/

Hôtel Rond-Point de Longchamp ***

86, rue de Longchamp
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 05 13 63
Fax: +33 1 47 55 12 80
Email: hotel.long@wanadoo.fr
Website: www.rd-pt-longchamp.fr/

Hôtel Passy Eiffel ***

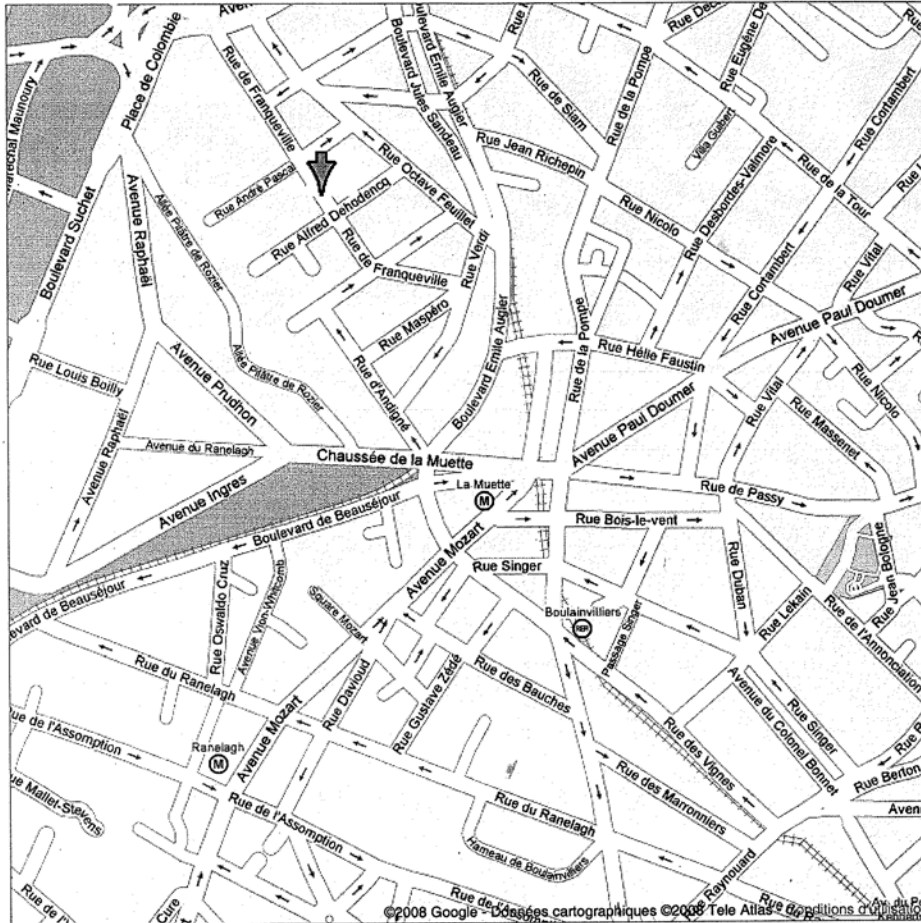
10, rue de Passy
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 25 55 66
Fax: +33 1 42 88 89 88
Email: passyeiffel@wanadoo.fr
Website: www.passyeiffel.com

Hôtel Trocadero La Tour ***

5 bis, rue Massenet
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 45 24 43 03
Fax: +33 1 45 24 41 39
Email: trocadero-la-tour@magic.fr
Website: www.trocadero-la-tour.com

Hôtel Poussin ***

52, rue Poussin
75016 Paris
Tel: +33 1 46 51 30 46
Fax: +33 1 40 71 95 07
Email: hotelpoussin@free.fr
Website: hotelpoussin.free.fr



OECD
2, rue André Pascal
75775 Paris Cedex 16