

Summary of the Consultation on the Recommendations on Ageing-related Statistics

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Timing of work and prior consultations

- Nov 2012: Bureau conducts in-depth review
- Feb 2013: Bureau establishes task force. Participation from policymakers and academia
- 2013-2015: Task force working (chair: United Kingdom)
- Oct 2015: Bureau reviews result, provides comments, requests CES consultation
- Feb-Mar 2016: CES electronic consultation
- Apr 2016: Guide and consultation results presented to CES

CES Consultation 2016: General Comments



- *36 replies*
- General support, including to the areas for further work
- Suggestions on areas requiring greater emphasis:
 - Metadata
 - Economic data
 - Financial sustainability of pension systems
 - Labour market imbalances
 - Intergenerational justice

CES Consultation 2016: Areas for More Detail



- Prospective age, duration of working life
- Small sample sizes of older respondents
- Definitions
- Conceptual and practical guidance on indicators

CES Consultation 2016: Main Concerns



- Practical difficulty
 - 5-year age-groups at older ages
 - Sampling challenges specific to older persons
 - Household registers as sample frame
 - Costly to increase sample size
 - Difficulty to revise EU instruments
 - Difficult to avoid the use of proxies
 - Coordination between NSOs and other organizations
- Request to soften formulations

CES Consultation 2016: Further Work



- Develop a road map for NSOs for their next steps
- Methodological work on measuring institutional population
- Use of administrative sources and “big data”
- Intergenerational solidarity
- Enabling environments, ‘ageing in place’



The Conference is invited to

- express its **views** on the Recommendations;
- ask the Task Force to review in detail the comments and suggestions made, and reflect them in a **revised version** of the Recommendations;
- ask the Task Force to review the proposals made for **further work** and report on these to the Bureau;
- agree that the revised Recommendations will be submitted to the 2016 October CES **Bureau meeting for final approval**.