At present the CIS unites: Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Ukraine.
STRUCTURE
OF THE BODIES OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES

Charter Bodies of the CIS

Council of the Heads of States
Council of the Heads of Governments
Council of Foreign Ministers
Economic Council
Inter-Parliamentary Assembly
Economic Court
Executive Committee

Council of Permanent Plenipotentiary Representatives of the Countries
Commission on Economic Questions

Bodies of Branch Cooperation

Interstate Statistical Committee of the CIS (CIS-STAT)
Interstate Bank
Interstate Council on Standardization
Electro-Energetic Council
… and other bodies
Main directions of CIS-STAT activities

1. Coordination of the activities of national statistical services on most important aspects, organization of information exchange, promoting the reforming of statistics in the conditions of transition to market economy;
2. Development of recommendations on methodology and principles of organization of statistics;
3. Collection and dissemination of internationally comparable information;
4. Maintenance of the common statistical space in the CIS region;
Main functions of CIS-STAT

- **provision of the state governing bodies** of the CIS member countries and CIS bodies with internationally comparable information on socio-economic processes in the CIS countries, as well as in the world economy, for their decisions on the problems of forming economic policy and improvement of economic cooperation;
- **provision of other users with internationally comparable information**: representatives of business circles, scientific organizations, trade unions and other public organizations, broad public and international organizations;
- **development of recommendations** on the use in the CIS member states of coordinated methodology based on the corresponding international standards;
- **interstate exchange of statistical information**, publishing of statistical abstracts and statistical information bulletin, as well as other information materials;
- **creation, functioning and systematic updating of general statistical base** of the CIS member states containing main socio-economic indicators;
- **preparation of analytic and information materials** on the dynamics and trends of economic cooperation of the CIS member states;
- **development of short and middle-term forecasts** of the dynamics of most important macro-economic indicators.
Assistance of CIS-STAT in reforming statistics in the CIS countries

- legal regulation of the organization of statistics on the principles practiced in the world; development of model law on statistics;
- transition of economic and social statistics to the international standards;
- implementation of international classifications;
- broader use of sample, expert and other methods of statistical observation applied in the conditions of market economy;
- adequate organization and structural changes in the system of statistical bodies;
- improvement of the primary sources of information, reforming of the reporting of enterprises and organizations;
- application of modern information technologies in statistical activities.
Methodological documents on rendering assistance to the CIS countries on the problems of introduction of the System of National Accounts 1993

1. Preparation of fundamental methodological recommendations:
   - on compilation of key SNA accounts (consolidated and sectoral): production accounts, accounts of income generation, distribution and use, capital account, financial account;
   - on compilation of GDP and its components in current and constant prices on annual and quarterly basis.

2. Preparation of methodological recommendations on other SNA problems:
   - estimation of non-observed economy;
   - development of the system of input-output tables;
   - introduction of functional classifications;
   - calculation of gross regional product (GRP);
   - estimation of elements of national wealth.
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OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Promotion of international standards in statistics of CIS countries
- Exchange of information, statistical publications
- Exchange of methodological materials
- Release of joint statistical publications
- Cooperation in implementation of certain projects, such as ICP
- Translation of some materials into Russian
- Organization of seminars, workshops, conferences
- Exchange of experience in organization of statistics and strategic planning of statistical activities
Publication “The European Union and the Commonwealth of Independent States” (Statistical comparison), 2008 Edition, jointly prepared by Eurostat and CIS-STAT
Directions of future work of CIS-STAT

* Development of the methodology of statistics, improvement of its international comparability on the basis of international standards and classifications
* Continuation of the work in the framework of preparation for the 2010 round of population censuses and execution of the decisions entrusted on CIS-STAT by the Council of the Heads of States of the CIS
* Development of recommendations on the introduction of SNA 2008 provisions into regular practice of the CIS countries
* Improvement of CPI statistics on the basis of international standard
* International comparisons of GDP on the basis of purchasing power parities of currencies in the framework of the next round of global comparisons (likely in 2011)
* Expanding work on forecasting major socio-economic indicators of CIS countries
* Improvement of the common data base, raising reliability and comparability of its key indicators
Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States

Thank you for attention!

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