Way forward in Implementing the Recommendations of the Handbook

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UNECE Capacity-Building in Migration Statistics: Workshops

- 2010 Bishkek
- 2010 Istanbul
- 2011 Antalya
- 2012 Geneva: surveys
- 2013 Almaty: migration and development
- **2013 Gelendzhik: high-level seminar**
- 2014 Chisinau
- 2015 Minsk: admin sources and surveys, handbook
- 2016 Tbilisi: national level, admin sources
- 2016 Geneva: admin sources, linkage to surveys

Main donors:
- Russian Federation
- EFTA
- UNFPA
- UN Development Account
- World Bank
UNECE Publications on Migration Statistics

- 2010: Guidelines for exchanging data to improve emigration statistics
- 2011: Statistics on international migration: a practical guide for countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- 2012: Review of sources and quality of statistics on international migration in selected countries of CIS
- 2015: Measuring change in the socio-economic conditions of migrants
- 2016: *Handbook on the use of administrative sources and sample surveys to measure international migration in the CIS region*
Conclusions from the High-level Seminar, Gelendzhik, 2013

- Publish more *metadata* and explain to the users the advantages and disadvantages of the various data sources
- Work in close *cooperation* with other agencies
- *Guide* on administrative data and household surveys
- Maximise efforts for installing *electronic systems* that allow efficient data processing
- Integrate the different sources into a *system* where the different components complement each other
- Exchange data through the UNECE Clearing House: next update spring 2017
Recommendations from the Handbook: Administrative Data

• Start using electronic formats

• Improve inter-agency cooperation

• Statistical offices
  – Produce statistics on the time and purpose of move, short-term migration
  – Utilize “migration variables”

• Agencies
  – Collaborate, consider what others are doing
  – Transmit data to statistical office electronically
  – Ensure reliable data entry
  – Adhere to good statistical practice
  – Publish the statistics they compile
Recommendations from the Handbook: Surveys

• At a general level:
  – Coordinate with national policy strategies
  – Assess national migration data systems
  – Collaborate with other organizations
  – Share and discuss national practice internationally
  – Follow international standards and recommendations
  – Report on methodological procedures and provide metadata
  – Harmonize survey questions
  – Conduct special surveys on migration

• Specific to countries with partial measurements of yearly flows and stocks of migrants:
  – Include migration questions in general household surveys
  – Implement and adapt border-crossing surveys
## Periodicity of Data Availability

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*Note: The table uses color coding to indicate periodicity: Yellow = Annual, Green = Decennial, Blue = Sporadic, Gray = One year only, Black = Not Available.*
UNECE Project with World Bank, 2017-2020

• Objective: better estimate the number of citizens moving abroad as well as their economic impact

• Developing a module on migration for use in existing or future household surveys in EECCA countries

• Two regional workshops (2017, 2019)

• Testing of the module in two countries
Invitation for …

1. Sharing information on concrete plans for activities in follow-up to the recommendations

2. Proposals for issues to be tackled internationally, at regional workshops or otherwise
Thank you.