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## **CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS**

### Joint Eurostat/UNECE Work Session on Demographic Projections

Organised in cooperation with the National Institute of Statistics of Romania (INSSE)

(Bucharest, 10-12 October 2007)

### **INFORMATION NOTICE**

The meeting will be held at the Conference room of National Statistical Institute of Romania,

16 Libertatii Avenue, sector 5, Bucharest, Romania

The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 10 October 2007

and will finish on Friday, 12 October at 5:30 p.m.

1. Eurostat and UNECE (United Nations Economic Commission for Europe) are co-organisers, with the support of the National Institute of Statistics of Romania, of a Work Session on Demographic Projections. The meeting will be held in Bucharest on 10-12 October 2007.

2. The meeting is organised under the Work Programme of the Conference of European Statisticians with the additional support of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), the Vienna Institute of Demography (VID) and the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI).

#### **I. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

3. The objective of the Work Session is to bring together policy makers, demographic researchers, academics, producers and users of population projections in order to:

- evaluate the current practices, research approaches and innovative methodologies
- address the policy questions linked to population ageing
- improve the communication between policy makers and the community of demographers and producers of population projections

4. The Work Session will include two key-note lectures:

- “Long Term Population Projections in Europe: How they influence policies and accelerate reforms”, given by Henri BOGAERT, Commissioner for the Belgian Federal Planning Bureau;
- “Towards long term population decline. Views at a critical juncture of world population history”, given by David REHER, Professor at Universidad Complutense de Madrid.

#### **II. AGENDA OF THE MEETING**

5. The contributions to the Work Session will be grouped in sections according to the following preliminary program:

- 1) General issues
- 2) Fertility
- 3) Mortality
- 4) International migration

- 5) Sub-national population projections
- 6) Uncertainty in population projections

6. The agenda of the Work Session will be finalised by the Scientific Committee. The annotated agenda will be posted as soon as available on the meeting website at:

<http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2007.10.projections.htm>

### III. PARTICIPATION AND ACCREDITATION

7. Representatives of all Member States of the United Nations and of interested intergovernmental organizations are welcome to participate in the Work Session. It is expected that the Work Session will be attended mainly by participants from Member States of the UNECE (including Europe, North America and CIS countries).

Participants representing non-governmental organizations in a consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council may also attend. All participants must be accredited by the competent authorities of their country or international organization.

8. All participants attending the meeting are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas should be made as soon as possible to the Embassy of Romania in the country in which the participants reside, with a reference to the Joint Eurostat/UNECE Work Session on Demographic Projections. A letter can be requested to the National Institute of Statistics of Romania in order to facilitate obtaining a visa. Please send all requests for a letter to Mrs. Tatiana Barsanescu (Fax: +4021 311 2389 or e-mail: [Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro](mailto:Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro)) and copy to the UNECE Secretariat (fax: +41 22 917 0040 or e-mail: [mijidgombo.oyunjargal@unece.org](mailto:mijidgombo.oyunjargal@unece.org))

9. Participants are requested to fill in the attached **registration form** (see Annex 1) and send it to both the UNECE secretariat (fax: +41 22 917 0040 or e-mail: [mijidgombo.oyunjargal@unece.org](mailto:mijidgombo.oyunjargal@unece.org)) and the National Institute of Statistics of Romania (fax: +4021 311 2389 or e-mail: [Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro](mailto:Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro)) **by 20 September 2007** at the latest. The information will be used to register participants and to obtain ID badges as well as for the list of participants.

### IV. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTATION

10. The working language of the work session is English. No interpretation will be available at the work session, and documents for the meeting will not be translated. Papers can be submitted in English, French and Russian, but will be reproduced in the original language only. Authors of papers in French or Russian are encouraged to provide a 1-2 pages abstract in English.

11. The discussion for each substantive item on the agenda will be based on a small number (2-3) of **invited papers**, which will be presented by the authors, and on **supporting papers**, that will not be presented but will be posted on the meeting website.

12. Authors willing to contribute a paper to the Work Session should send an abstract in English before **31 May 2007** to the following email address: [estat-worksession-demproj@ec.europa.eu](mailto:estat-worksession-demproj@ec.europa.eu)

13. Important **Information for Authors** and details regarding the submission of abstracts/papers are presented in the attached **Call For Papers** (see Annex 2).

14. Invited and supporting papers will be made available on the website maintained by UNECE at: <http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2007.10.projections.htm>

15. Delegates are encouraged to download the papers from the website and bring their own copies to the Work Session. Documents posted on the website before the Work Session will not be distributed in the conference room.

## **VI. ACCOMMODATION IN BUCHAREST**

16. Participants are requested to make their own hotel reservations. In order to assist them in organizing their accommodation, the host country will provide more information on the accommodation in Bucharest with a subsequent Information Notice that will be posted on the UNECE website at the address above.

## **VII. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDANCE**

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

This form should be completed in duplicate by each participant and returned by **20 September 2007**

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| 4. Official function (in home country):                              |  |                |
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| 6. Tel. No.:   | 7. Fax No.:                                    |                |
| 8. E-mail address:   |  |                |
| 9. Please indicate topic and title, if you intend to submit a paper: |  |                |
| 10. Date and time of arrival in Bucharest:                           | 11. Date and time of departure from Bucharest: |                |

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Annex 2

### **Joint EUROSTAT/UNECE Work Session on Demographic Projections** Organised in cooperation with the National Institute of Statistics of Romania **Bucharest, 10-12 October 2007**

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### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

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### **TOPICS** (non exhaustive list)

- trends in longevity and mortality patterns for the oldest-old
- convergence/divergence in life expectancy among industrialised countries
- gender differences in mortality; a cohort perspective
- global demographic developments and their impact for the EU
- population forecasting for fiscal, social and health care planning
- consistency among long-run macroeconomic assumptions and demographic scenarios
- the impact of the level of educational attainment and labour force participation on women's fertility
- causes and implications of the recent trends in childlessness
- long term policy implications of the age patterns of migrants
- micro and macro approaches to population forecasting
- sub-national and local population projections
- coping with uncertainty in demographic projections
- trends in households and living arrangements
- international migration: measurement, estimation and projection
- trends in foreign-born population
- population projections by ethnicity

### SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

- Graziella CASELLI, University of Rome “La Sapienza”
- Vasile GHETAU, University of Bucharest
- Nico KEILMAN, University of Oslo
- Wolfgang LUTZ, IIASA – VID
- Frans WILLEKENS, NIDI

### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- EUROSTAT (contact person: Giampaolo Lanzieri, email: [Giampaolo.Lanzieri@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Giampaolo.Lanzieri@ec.europa.eu))
- UNECE - United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (contact person: Paolo Valente, email: [paolo.valente@unece.org](mailto:paolo.valente@unece.org))
- INSEE of Romania (contact person: Tatiana Barsanescu, email: [Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro](mailto:Tatiana.Barsanescu@insse.ro))

### INFORMATION FOR AUTHORS

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The abstract should include:

- the title of the paper;
- a clear description of the problems/issues addressed in the paper;
- a short description of the data and methods used for the analysis, if appropriate;
- the main conclusions of the paper;
- each author's name and e-mail address (please, specify a contact author);
- each author's institutional affiliation, including academic department, if appropriate.

The Scientific Committee will identify among the papers submitted the **invited papers**, that will be presented at the meeting. Authors of all papers will be notified of the category of the paper (invited or supporting) by e-mail by **2 July 2007**. Final version of the papers - not exceeding 15 pages in length (including tables, references, annexes, etc.) - must be sent by **12 September 2007** by email to: [estat-worksession-demproj@ec.europa.eu](mailto:estat-worksession-demproj@ec.europa.eu)

Invited and supporting papers will be made available on the website maintained by UNECE at: <http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2007.10.projections.htm>

Economy travel cost within the European Union will be reimbursed by Eurostat to a maximum number of 25 authors of invited papers, within the limits of the available budget.

### IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Deadline for submission of abstracts: 31 May 2007

Notification to authors of the category of papers: 2 July 2007

Deadline for submission of papers: 12 September 2007

Deadline for registration of participants: 20 September 2007

Information on registration can be found in the Information note available at:

<http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2007.10.projections.htm>

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