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## **Economic Commission for Europe**

### **Conference of European Statisticians**

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

Geneva, 18-20 April 2016

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### **Opening of the meeting**

### **TENTATIVE TIMETABLE**

The Meeting will be held at the Palais des Nations in room XVI (5th floor; the nearest doors are 11, 13, 16 and 17).

It will start at 9:30 a.m. on Monday 18 April 2016 (registration starting at 8 a.m.) and finish on Wednesday 20 April by 5:30 p.m.

#### **SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE MEETING:**

1. Opening of the meeting - Adoption of the agenda and election of officers
2. Methodology
3. Sub-national projections
4. Assumptions on fertility
5. Assumptions on mortality
6. Assumptions on migration
7. Beyond projections by age and sex
8. Communicating projections to users – Progress report by the UNECE Task Force on Population Projections
9. Future work
10. Adoption of the draft report - Closing of meeting

Time	Item	Session/Activity	Doc. No.
<b>DAY 1 - MONDAY, 18 APRIL 2016</b>			
<b>8:00-9:30</b>	<b>Registration of participants</b>		
<b>9:30-9:50</b>	1.	<b>Opening of the meeting - Adoption of the agenda and election of officers</b> Welcoming remarks by UNECE and Eurostat Adoption of the agenda and election of officers	Inf. 2 (Agenda)
<b>9:50-10:30</b> 9:50-10:10 10:10-10:30 10:30-10:50	2.	<b>Methodology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Population projections when using time series with extreme values</i> (Violeta Calian, Statistics Iceland)</li> <li>• <i>Demographic determinants of population ageing in European countries</i> (Michael Murphy, London School of Economics, United Kingdom)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers	WP.1 WP.2
<b>10:50-11:10</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
<b>11:10-12:30</b> 11:10-11:30 11:30-11:50 11:50-12:10 12:10-12:30	2.	<b>Methodology (cont.)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Application of comparative analysis of official polls and expert estimations of indicators in demographic projections</i> (Avtandil Sulaberidze, Ilia State University, Georgia)</li> <li>• <i>Factual determination methodology aspects of demographic processes in forecasts</i> (Vano Shushtakashvili, Ilia State University, Georgia)</li> <li>• <i>Preparing population projections in developing countries</i> (Garcia Víctor, Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía. Mexico)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.3 WP.4 WP.5
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>		
<b>14:00-15:40</b> 14:00-14:20 14:20-14:40 14:40-15:00	3.	<b>Sub-national projections</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Estimating sub-national behaviour in the Danish microsimulation model SMILE</i> (Marianne Frank Hansen, DREAM, Denmark)</li> <li>• <i>Bayesian multiregional population forecasting: England</i> (Arkadiusz Wiśniowski, University of Manchester, United Kingdom)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers	WP.6 WP.7
<b>15:00-15:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
<b>15:20-17:00</b> 15:20-15:40 15:40-16:00 16:00-16:20 16:20-17:00	3.	<b>Sub-national projections (cont.)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Testing a simple averaged model for local and regional population forecasts</i> (Tom Wilson, Charles Darwin University, Australia)</li> <li>• <i>Projecting the regional explicit socioeconomic heterogeneity in India</i> (Samir KC, Wittgenstein Centre - IIASA, Austria )</li> <li>• <i>Subnational population projections for the Republic of Korea, 2013 – 2033</i> (Sooyoung Kim, Statistics Korea)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.8 WP.9 WP.10
<b>from 19:00</b>	<b>Optional subscription dinner (information to be provided to participants before the meeting)</b>		

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<b>DAY 2 – TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2016</b>			
<b>9:30-10:30</b> 9:30-9:50 9:50-10:10 10:10-10:30	4.	<b>Assumptions on fertility</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Why is fertility falling in Norway? An analysis of parity transitions over the last decade</i> (Astri Syse, Statistics Norway)</li> <li>• <i>Projecting Future Fertility in Russia: using cohort approach together with the idea of the Second Demographic Transition</i> (Alexey Raksha, Federal State Statistics Service, Russian Federation)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers	WP.11 WP.12
<b>10:30-10:50</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
<b>10:50-12:30</b> 10:50-11:10 11:10-11:30 11:30-11:50 11:50-12:30	4.	<b>Assumptions on fertility (cont.):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Religion and its impact on fertility projections in Israel</i> (Aviad Klinger, Central Bureau of Statistics, Israel)</li> <li>• <i>Immigrant fertility in Sweden – a cohort perspective</i> (Johan Tollebrant, Statistics Sweden)</li> <li>• <i>Estimation of fertility in Colombia through an adjustment for coverage of births with immunization records</i> (Mariana Francisca Ospina Bohórquez, DANE, Colombia)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.13 WP.14 WP.15
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>		
<b>14:00-16:00</b> 14:00-14:20 14:20-14:40 14:40-15:00 15:00-15:20 15:20-15:40 15:40-16:00	5.	<b>Assumptions on mortality</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A Comprehensive Framework for Mortality Forecasting</i> (Jonathan J. Forster, University of Southampton, United Kingdom)</li> <li>• <i>Is mortality variation by region of birth an issue for mortality projections? The case of Sweden</i> (Örjan Hemström, Statistics Sweden)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Projecting future mortality in the Netherlands taking into account mortality delay and smoking</i> (Fanny Janssen, University of Groningen, The Netherlands)</li> <li>• <i>The growth of Australia's very elderly population: past estimates and probabilistic forecasts</i> (Tom Wilson, Charles Darwin University, Australia)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.16 WP.17 WP.18 WP.19
<b>16:00-16:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
<b>16:20-17:45</b> 16:20-16:40 16:40-17:00 17:00-17:20 17:20-17:45	6.	<b>Assumptions on migration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Modelling the future evolution of international migration for Belgium</i> (Marie Vandresse, Federal Planning Bureau, Belgium)</li> <li>• <i>Empirical Evaluation of Migration Forecasting Methods</i> (Jakub Bijak, ESRC Centre for Population Change, United Kingdom)</li> <li>• <i>Recent Refugee influx and migration assumptions in Germany – public debate and opportunities for projection makers</i> (Felix zur Nieden, Federal Statistical Office, Germany)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.20 WP.21 WP.22 WP.23, WP.24 (supporting papers)

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<b>DAY 3 – WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL 2016</b>			
9:30-11:00 9:30-9:50	7.	<b>Beyond projections by age and sex</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Probabilistic household forecasts for Denmark, Finland, and the Netherlands 2011-2041: Combining the Brass relational method with a Random Walk model</i> (Nico Keilman, Department of Economics, University of Oslo)</li> <li>• <i>Education-specific labor force projections: painting the global picture</i> (Elke Loichinger, Institute for Human Capital and Development, Vienna)</li> <li>• <i>Extremity Injuries and Dementia disproportionately increase the Risk for long-term Care at older Age. An Analysis of counter-factual projection scenarios based on German Health Insurance Routine Data</i> (Alexander Barth, University of Rostock, Germany)</li> </ul> Questions on the papers and discussion	WP.25
9:50-10:10			WP.26
10:10-10:30			WP.27
10:30-11:00			
<b>11:00-11:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
11:20-12:30 11:20-11:30 11:30-12:00 12:00-12:30	8.	<b>Communicating projections to users – Progress report by the UNECE Task Force on Population Projections</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Introduction</i> (Chair of the Task Force: Patrice Dion, Statistics Canada)</li> <li>• <i>Key recommendations and good practices</i> (Task Force members)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dissemination of results</li> <li>▪ Transparency in population projections</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Discussion	WP.28
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>		
14:00-16:00 14:00-14:30 14:30-15:00 15:00-15:20 15:20-15:40 15:40-16:00	8.	<b>Communicating projections to users – Progress report by the UNECE Task Force on Population Projections (cont.)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Key recommendations and good practices</i> (Task Force members)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Uncertainty in population projections</li> <li>▪ Fostering relationships with users</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Discussion	WP.28
<b>16:00-16:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
16:20-16:40 16:20-16:30 16:30-16:40	9.	<b>Future work</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Proposal on future work</i> (Paolo Valente, UNECE)</li> </ul> Discussion	
<b>16:40-17:00</b>	10.	<b>Adoption of the draft report - Closing of meeting</b>	Draft report

**ANNEX 1. MAP OF THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AT GENEVA  
(Room XVI shown as red circle, 5<sup>th</sup> floor)**

