WORKSHOP ON RISK MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN STATISTICAL ORGANISATIONS

Information Notice No. 2

The UNECE will host the workshop at the Palais des Nations, Geneva (Room VIII), on 25 - 26 April 2016. The workshop will start at 09.30 on 25 April, and will end by 16.50 on 26 April.

I. PURPOSE AND TARGET AUDIENCE OF THE WORKSHOP

1. The Workshop on Risk Management Practices in Statistical Organisations is organised by the Modernisation Committee on Organisational Framework and Evaluation. This Committee reports to the High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Official Statistics (HLG-MOS).

2. This Workshop will support the sharing of information about risk management practices in statistical organisations – through both promoting a constructive debate and encouraging progress in Risk management as a tool for managing organisational change in the context of modernisation.

3. The target audience for the Workshop includes staff of statistical organisations with responsibility for risk management and managing change, as well as academics working in relevant areas. To cater for different levels of knowledge in this subject, the agenda mixes plenary presentations of good practices with small-group discussion opportunities using innovative formats.

II. PRELIMINARY AGENDA OF THE WORKSHOP

MONDAY, 25 APRIL 2016

Opening Session

- 09:30 09:40 Opening and Welcome
- 09:40 09:55 Presentation on the UNECE's initiatives on modernizing official statistics
- 09.55 10:10 Survey on Risk Management practices: Outcome presentation
- 10:10 10:30 Presentation of the Guidelines for the implementation of Risk Management among NSO's
- 10:30 10:55 Overview on theoretical framework underlying the Guidelines

10:55 – 11:15 Coffee Break

Session 1

- 11:15 11:40 Country practice presentation
- 11:40 12:05 Country practice presentation
- 12:05 12:30 Country practice presentation
- 12:30 13:00 Discussion of the country presentations
- 13:00 14:00 Lunch

RiskCAMP

- 14:00 14:15 RiskCamp: Introduction
- 14:15 15:40 RiskCamp: Pros&Cons of RM System implementation among the NSO's
- 15:40 16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:00 16:30 RiskCamp: Outcome presentation
- 16:30 17:30 General discussion / Poster session

TUESDAY, 26 APRIL 2016

Session 2

09:00 - 09:10 Opening
09:10 - 09:35 Country practice presentation
09:35 - 10:00 Country practice presentation
10:00 - 10:25 Country practice presentation
10.25 - 10.50 Discussion of the country presentations
10:50 - 11:10 Coffee - break

RiskLAB

11:10 – 11:20 *RiskLab*: Introduction
11:20 – 12:30 *RiskLab*: Discussion/Group work on Risk Management process in practice among the NSO's
12:30 – 13:00 *RiskLab*: Outcome presentation and discussion
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Session 3

- 14:00 14:25 Country practice presentation
- 14:25 14:50 Country practice presentation
- 14.50 15.10 Discussion of the country presentations
- 15:10 15:25 Coffee break

Community Corner

- 15:25 15:55 Proposals on opportunities linked to Risk Management cooperation projects among the NSO's
- 15:55 16:25 Discussion on proposals
- 16:25 16:50 Summary and closing Next steps

III. EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE AGENDA

A. **RISKCamp**

- 4. This is an open discussion space using the same principles of the BarCamps¹:
 - parity → there isn't anything like an "audience", nor "speakers"; all participants are at the same level;
 - sharing \rightarrow any participant or RISKCamper can take the floor and submit his/her considerations.

5. The general topic "Pros&Cons of Risk Management System implementation among the NSO's will be proposed to the participants without a set list of subjects to follow. The general topic will therefore be developed by the participants themselves using a whiteboard on which any of them will be allowed to make any amendment in order to better plan the different discussions. The RISKCamp phase will take place in so many groups as the number of participants makes possible. A "Camp coordinator" will organize people asking to take the floor and help the brainstorming phases, supported by both facilitators and rapporteurs from the discussion groups – if needed. The Camp will be closed with a summary of the main inputs intended to be further explored.

B. RISKLab

6. The participants will be expected to identify – through role playing and group work tools – a small number of typical risks (max 3) within a statistical organizations as well as to set up risk treatment actions in detail. The goal is both to share an example of NSO's short Risk Register and to design treatment actions tailored to their contexts. The RISKLab will take place in so many groups as the number of participants makes it possible, and will be run by a coordinator supported by some tutors coming from the Countries selected for the presentations through rapporteurs.

IV. ORGANISATIONAL ASPECTS

A. Documents for the workshop

7. All participants are invited to submit a paper or poster on the Risk Management examples and issues in their Statistical Organisations. All submitted papers will be uploaded as room documents on the website of the workshop, but they will not be presented. Posters will also be uploaded on the website of the workshop and will be displayed in the meeting room.

8. The papers, no more than 6 pages, and posters should be sent by e-mail to Tetyana Kolomiyets by **18 March 2016**.

B. Official languages

9. The working language of the workshop is English. The documents should, therefore, be submitted in English only, and will be made available on the website of the UNECE secretariat at the following location: http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=41140

C. Registration and expression of interest

10. All countries should inform the UNECE secretariat before **31 December 2015** if they intend to participate at the workshop.

¹*BarCamp* is an international net consisting of "open non-conferences" whose subjects are proposed by the participants directly.

11. Participants should register by **30 March 2016** by completing the on-line registration form at: <u>https://www2.unece.org/uncdb/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=F0fS9Z</u>

V. FURTHER INFORMATION

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