

Working Group, contact person and reference website	GENERAL INFORMATION		
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<p>1 Working Group on the Impact on Globalisation of National Accounts</p> <p>contact: Peter van de Ven, Statistics Netherlands (Chair) peter.vandeven@cbs.nl Lidia Bratanova, UNECE lidia.bratanova@unece.org Tihomira Dimova, UNECE tihomira.dimova@unece.org</p> <p>reference: http://www.unece.org/stats/groups/wggna.e.htm</p>	2007	All CES countries, UNECE, Eurostat, IMF, OECD and UNCTAD.	To review the main distortions in the compilation of national accounts and related source statistics, as caused by the growing globalisation of economies. Doing so, the Working Group should put forward proposals to deal with these distortions and improve the quality of national accounts. The Working Group should approach the issue using the system of national accounts as an integrating framework. Sub-group reports to CES and CES Bureau.
I. Working Groups relevant for (close) co-operation			
<p>2 Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts</p> <p>contact: Carol Carson, Project Manager CCARSON@imf.org Ivo Havinga, UNSD havinga@un.org Gallo Gueye, Unit C1, Eurostat Gallo.Gueye@ec.europa.eu</p> <p>reference: http://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/iswgna.asp</p>	1983	Eurostat, OECD, IMF, UNSD, World Bank	Coordinate the methodological development and implementation of the SNA. Clarify the SNA and harmonize it with other international statistical standards. Plans, organizes and coordinates the updating of the 1993 SNA. Published handbooks in national accounting.
<p>3 Eurostat Task force on the recording of certain activities of MNEs in national accounts</p> <p>contact: Paolo Passerini, Unit C1, Eurostat Paolo.Passerini@ec.europa.eu Daniela Comini, Unit C4, Eurostat</p> <p>reference:</p>	2007	Eurostat, OECD, ECB, 12 EU countries	Review the recording in national accounts of some aspects of the activity of multinationals, including fiscal engineering. The objective of the TF is to make proposals for harmonised and consistent accounting treatments of the relevant stocks and flows. The TF recommendations will concern the implications on GNI of such accounting treatments. Reports to NAWP and GNI Committee.
<p>4 Inter-Agency Task Force on International Merchandise Trade Statistics</p> <p>contact: E-mail of the TF tfimts@wto.org Andreas Maurer andreas.maurer@wto.org</p> <p>reference: http://imts.wto.org/task_e.htm</p>	1991	EUROSTAT, FAO, IMF, ITC, OECD, UNCTAD, UNIDO, UNSD, WTO and UN regional commissions.	Improve the availability and quality of international merchandise trade statistics (IMTS) and country compilation practices, and update methodology of international merchandise statistics in view of new developments in world trade. Contributed to improving the UN Comtrade database and engaged in preparation of a Supplement to the Compilers Manual on IMTS.
<p>5 Interagency Task Force on Statistics of International Trade in Services</p> <p>contact: Bill Cave STD.servstat@oecd.org</p> <p>reference:</p>	1994	EUROSTAT, IMF, OECD, UNCTAD, UNSD, and WTO	Development of methodological recommendations for compilation of international trade in services, focuses on the promotion of the implementation of the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services, its revision and development of compilation guidance documents.
<p>6 OECD Working Group on International Investment Statistics (WGIIS)</p> <p>contact: Paul Mahoney, ABS, Australia (Chair) paul.mahoney@abs.gov.au Ayse Bertrand, OECD Ayse.Bertrand@OECD.org</p> <p>reference:</p>		OECD Member States and observer countries	Foreign Direct Investment Statistics. Revision of the benchmark definition of FDI.
<p>7 OECD Working Party on Globalisation in Industry (WPGI)</p> <p>contact: Anne-Christine Strandell, Swedish Institute for anne-christine.strandell@itps.se Growth Policy Studies Thomas Hatzichronoglou, OECD Thomas.Hatzichronoglou@oecd.org Marcos Bonturi Marcos.Bonturi@oecd.org</p> <p>reference: http://webnet3.oecd.org/OECDgroups/Bodies.asp?body_id=7393&lng=E</p>	2007		Under the general direction of the CIIE (Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship), the Working Party on Globalisation of Industry (WPGI) is responsible for analysing the impact of the globalisation of industry in the economy of member countries through economic analyses and statistical data. Its objective is to contribute to the CIIE's policy discussions and to help the Committee respond to the numerous demands involving globalisation from both within and outside the OECD.

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8 Eurostat Task force on EuroGroups register contact: Inger OHMAN, Eurostat inger.oehman@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.00	1993		
II. Working Groups relevant for discussion of the WGGNA-results			
9 OECD Working Party on National Accounts contact: Paul Schreyer, OECD Paul.SCHREYER@oecd.org reference: http://www.oecd.org/EventsArchives/0,3449,en_2649_34245_1_1_1_1_1.00.html		OECD member countries	
10 Eurostat National Accounts Working Group contact: Gallo Gueye, Unit C1, Eurostat Gallo.Gueye@ec.europa.eu reference: http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/pnb/library?l=/national_accounts/meetings_national&vm=det Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	1960s	NA experts of EU countries, Norway, Iceland, Switzerland, Eurostat, ECB, OECD and IMF.	Discusses the creation of national accounts methodology (the European System of Accounts - ESA), its interpretation and updating as well as issues of data content and data transmission to Eurostat.
11 Eurostat Financial Accounts Working Group contact: Luca ASCOLI, Eurostat luca.ascoli@ec.europa.eu reference: https://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/Home/main?f=login&referer=http%3A%2F%2Fcirca.europa.eu%2FMembers%2Firc%2Fdsis%2Ffawp%2Flibrary Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	1960s	EU, EFTA and CC, Eurostat, DG ECFIN, ECB, OECD and IMF	The financial accounts working group deals with all methodological questions, which are related to the financial accounts of the ESA. Moreover it assures the correct application of Council regulation 93/3605/EEC (Excessive deficit procedure) by all Member States.
12 Eurostat GNI Committee contact: Gallo Gueye, Eurostat Gallo.Gueye@ec.europa.eu reference: http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/pnb/library?l=/national_product&vm=detailed&sb=Title Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	1989	EU and EEA countries	The GNI Committee's mandate is provided in Article 5 of the GNI Regulation. It consists in assisting the Commission in its task of: (a) Verifying each year that the GNI data transmitted by Member States under the GNI Regulation comply with the definitions of the European System of Accounts 1995, (b) Examining each year those GNI data with regard to the statistical sources and the procedures used for calculating GNI and its components.
13 IMF Committee on Balance of Payments Statistics contact: reference: http://www.imf.org/external/bopage/bopindex.htm	1992	Representatives of national statistical offices and the OECD, UNSD, ECB, BIS and Eurostat	Oversees the implementation of the recommendations presented in reports on statistical imbalances across countries; advises on methodological and compilation issues in the context of balance of payments and international investment position statistics, investigates ways in which data collection can be better coordinated among countries, with a view, inter alia, to facilitating the exchange of statistics among countries; identifies related areas for study and determines how work in those areas should be carried forward; and collaborates with other national compilers and with appropriate international organizations.
15 OECD Working Party on Trade in Goods and Trade in Services contact: Craig Kuntz, Statistics Canada craig.kuntz@statcan.ca Joaquim Oliveira Martins, OECD Oliveira.Martins@oecd.org			

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reference:	William Cave, OECD William.cave@oecd.org			
14 Eurostat BOP Working Group contact: Maria Helena Figueira Unit C4	Mariahelena.Figueira@ec.europa.eu	2005	Eurostat and EU member states, ECB may attend the meetings as observer	<p>-The main objective is to ensure the availability, timeliness and adequacy of the Member States' BoP data in order to enable the compilation of meaningful EU BoP results by Eurostat. In essence, the BoP working group's goal is to assist and encourage Member States to supply reliable, comparable and timely data with appropriate detail to facilitate the preparation of the EU BoP.</p> <p>-The role of the BoP working group derives from the general policy decisions on the BoP work programme determined by the Committee on Monetary, Financial and Balance of Payments Statistics (CMFB) to whom the working group reports.</p> <p>-The working group is concerned with defining the BoP data requirements from Member States, agreeing the methodology to be used, promoting harmonisation of BoP statistics and improving data transmission procedures. In an overall sense, this work is concerned with the improvement of the quality of the EU BoP statistics drawn up and published by Eurostat.</p> <p>-The meetings should mainly be devoted to methodological matters in conformity with the mandate. Problems met by Member States in applying the methodology or related to</p>
III. Working Groups on management-level relevant for informing about the WGGNA-results				
16 Eurostat Committee on Monetary, Financial and Balance of Payments Statistics contact: Carsten Olsson, Eurostat	carsten.olsson@ec.europa.eu	1991	EU member states, Eurostat, ECB, other interested international organisations	<p>□ The Committee assists the Commission and the European Central Bank in drawing up and implementing the multiannual programme of work relating to financial and balance of payments statistics. The Committee expresses opinions on the development and co-ordination of these statistics as required for the implementation of Community policies.</p> <p>□ The Committee gives opinions on Excessive Deficit Procedure issues in the context of the EMU and the Stability and Growth Pact.</p> <p>□ The Committee may be asked to express opinions on the links between financial and balance of payments statistics on the one hand, and certain other economic statistics on the other, in particular those on which national accounts are based. The work of the Committee will be co-ordinated with that of the Statistical Programme Committee.</p>
reference: http://www.cmf.org/ Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf				
17 Eurostat Directors of National Accounts contact: Laurs Norlund, Eurostat	laurs.norlund@ec.europa.eu	1995	Directors of NA of EEA and CC, ECB and OECD	To ensure general strategic coordination of national accounts work at an intermediate level between technical working groups and the SPC and to provide a forum for exchange of views on a range of management issues related to national accounts.
reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf				
18 Eurostat BOP Committee contact: Maria Helena Figueira Unit C4	Mariahelena.Figueira@ec.europa.eu	2005	Eurostat and EU member states, ECB may attend the meetings as observer	The BOP Committee's assists the Commission in: (a) Implementing the BOP Regulation; (b) Updating the definitions to be applied for compiling BOP data; (c) Updating the data requirements; (d) Setting up the common quality standards for BOP data and assessing the quality of the data transmitted by the Member States; (e) Define the format and the procedure for the transmission of data to the Commission by Member States.
reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.00				

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19 OECD Structural Business Statistics Expert Group contact: STD.IndServStat@oecd.org reference: http://www.oecd.org/document/9/0,3343,en_2825_495649_38221641_1_1_1_1,00.html			
20 Eurostat Steering Group on Structural Business Statistics contact: Inger OHMAN, Eurostat inger.oehman@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.D	1996	EU and EFTA member states, Eurostat, OECD	The group deals with strategic issues concerning the implementation and development of structural business statistics and approves the multi-year programmes for quality and development of structural business statistics. The working group takes decisions on the putting in place of working group and task forces of specific development actions.
21 Eurostat Business Statistics Directors' Group (BSDG) contact: Peter Bekx Director Directorate G Peter.Beckx@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.D	1999	Directors of Business Statistics of EU member states.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Launch of strategic discussions that will inspire future development in the business statistics domain. ▪ Discussion on draft legal acts as a previous step for SPC opinion and submission to the Council and the Parliament. ▪ Discussion on cross-cutting technical issues of high importance. ▪ Approval of the launch of statistical surveys on a voluntary basis. ▪ Supervision of the Working Group structure related to Business Statistics.
III. Other Working Groups relevant for some of the issues discussed by the WGGNA			
22 Eurostat INTRASTAT Committee contact: Ales Capek Unit G2 Ales.Capek@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	1991	EU member states and observers (EFTA)	The Committee may examine any questions relating to the implementation of Regulation 91/3330/EEC raised by its chairman, either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
23 Expert Group on Industrial Statistics contact: Ivo Havinga havinga@un.org reference: http://unstats.un.org/unsd/industry/meetings/eg2005/ac105-2.asp	2005	Experts from 13 developed and developing countries, UNSD, IMF, OECD and European Central Bank	Provide inputs in the review programme on industrial statistics and contribute to the revision of standards.
24 Expert Group on Distributive Trade Statistics contact: Vladimir Markhonko markhonko@un.org Youlia Antonova antonova@un.org reference: http://unstats.un.org/unsd/Distributive_trade/distributive_trade.htm		Experts from 20 developed and developing countries and UNSD	Provide inputs in the review programme on distributive trade statistics and contribute to the revision of standards.
25 Eurostat Working Group on Science, Technology and Innovation Statistics contact: Jean-Louis Mercy Unit F4 Jean-Louis.Mercy@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	1990	EU member and candidate countries, OECD, UNESCO.	To manage the Statistics on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI); this implies production, legislation, further development and analysis of all STI statistics
26 Eurostat Working Group on Business registers and Statistical units (including task force on Eur contact: Inger OHMAN, Eurostat inger.oehman@ec.europa.eu	1993	EU and EFTA countries, other observer countries, OECD, ECB and UNECE, DG ENTR	The WG draws up proposals on the implementation of Business Registers, regarding topics like coverage, characteristics, access, etc. It submits, if needed, proposals to the SPC for amending the regulation. The WG also prepares documents on the detailed rules, the definitions and the methods of adaptation to the economic development and

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27 Organising Committee of the joint UNECE/Eurostat/OECD Seminar on Business Registers contact: Vitalija GAUCAITE WITTICH vitalia.gaucaite@unece.org reference: http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/busreg.htm		UNECE, Eurostat, OECD, country experts	The purpose of the Committee is to assist the preparation and follow-up of joint business registers meetings. The Committee decides the future agenda items and the time and frequency (if needed) of future meetings. The Committee may also propose experts that can contribute to the work on business registers.
28 Eurostat Working Group on Accounting and Statistics contact: Claudia Junker DDG02 Claudia.Junker@ec.europa.eu reference: Eurostat background document "Mapping of ESS Working Groups" http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/institutionen/int_coop/un/integratedecostat.parsys.0030.downloadList.00301.DownloadFile.tmp/mappingofeurostatworkinggroupseurostat7d.pdf	2001	National statistical offices and central banks of EU countries, European Central Bank.	Coordinate work and identify needs for action for the implementation of the International Accounting Standards (IAS); clarify the linkage between IAS accountancy and different types of statistics, the difference between different types of statistics and also between Member States; study how the Extensible Business
29 Luxembourg Group on Remittances contact: reference: http://www.imf.org/external/np/sta/bop/remitt.htm	2006	IMF, World Bank, CEMLA, PH, ES, NO, MX, PT, JP, US, UK, IT, MD, AL, LB, IN, DE	Improvement of data on remittances, drafting of a compilation guide. Secretariat held by IMF
30 Steering Group on Migration Statistics contact: Enrico Bisogno enrico.bisogno@unece.org reference: http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/13_WorkplanMigration.pdf	2005	U.S. Census Bureau (Chair), Canada, Switzerland, Australia, World Bank, UNECE	Set up to improve the quality of data on international migration.
31 Paris Group on Labour and Compensation contact: Olivier Marchand, INSEE, France olivier.marchand@insee.fr Vivienne Avery, ONS, UK vivienne.avery@ons.gsi.gov.uk Denis Ward, OECD denis.ward@oecd.org reference: http://www.insee.fr/en/nom_def_met/colloques/citygroup/citygroup.htm	1997	Labour statisticians of 23 national statistical offices and OECD, ILO, Eurostat.	Examine, assess and reconcile the various sources of information used to measure labor market conditions and compensation, contribute to improving concepts, their implementation and construction of new indicators.
32 Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics contact: Carsten Boldsen Hansen carsten.hansen@unece.org reference: www.ilo.org/public/english/bureau/stat/guides/cpi/index.htm	1999	IMF, ILO, Eurostat, OECD, UNECE, World Bank	Develop and document best practice guidelines on concepts and methods of price statistics. Developed the Consumer Price Index Manual and the Producer Price Index Manual and a revised export and import price index manual.