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Summary

1. Eurostat - the Statistical Office of the European Communities - has the role of coordinator, processor and disseminator of statistics at the European level. This paper addresses the legislative and policy framework governing the protection of confidentiality during the processing, storage and dissemination of Eurostat statistical data.

2. The information held by Eurostat represents a key resource for research. The paper looks ahead to possible ways of maximising the use which can be made of this information, while continuing to provide protection against disclosure.

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