I. DATE AND VENUE OF THE PLENARY SESSION

1. The fifty-sixth plenary session will be held at the OECD Conference Centre, 2, rue André-Pascal, 75016 Paris, from Tuesday 10 June until Thursday 12 June 2008. The meeting will commence at 14:30 on Tuesday 10 June and will finish on Thursday 12 June at 17:30. The meeting of the OECD Committee on Statistics will be held on 9-10 June 2008 in Paris back-to-back with the Conference of European Statisticians (CES), starting at 9:30 on 9 June.

II. WEBSITE ADDRESS

2. All documents for the CES plenary session will be available on the meeting’s website at:

http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2008.06.ces.htm

III. AGENDA OF THE MEETING

3. i) Opening addresses and adoption of the agenda.

   ii) Meetings of the parent bodies of the Conference of European Statisticians (CES).

   iii) Coordination of international statistical work in the region of the United Nations
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3. More details on the agenda items are provided in the Annotated Agenda (ECE/CES/73).

IV. ACCOMMODATION, PASSPORTS, VISAS AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

4. All participants attending the meeting are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa for France. Applications for visas should be made to the embassy or consulate of France in the country in which the participants reside. Visa application should refer to the 56th plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians to be held at the OECD Conference Center in Paris. If a formal invitation letter is required by the embassy, this can be requested from the OECD secretariat (tel: +33 1 45 24 19 19; e-mail: martine.breton@oecd.org or philippe.marson@oecd.org).

5. Participants are requested to make their own hotel and travel arrangements. Participants are advised to book hotel accommodation well in advance of the meeting. A list of hotels in close proximity to the OECD Conference Center is attached to this Information Note.

V. REGISTRATION

6. Participants are kindly requested to send the completed registration form to the UNECE secretariat by 12 May 2008 (e-mail: josephine.rauss@unece.org). The information will be sent to OECD in order to obtain ID badges from the security offices at the OECD Conference Centre in Paris on the first day of the meeting (please see the attached map). Delegates should arrive at the OECD security offices early in order to allow time for security clearance and registration.
VI. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AND DOCUMENTATION

7. The meeting room will be equipped for simultaneous interpretation, which will be provided into and from the three official working languages of the UNECE (English, French and Russian).

8. The main documents of the plenary session will be distributed in the three official languages. Some of the background documents and supporting papers may be available in the original language only.

9. The main papers for discussion at the two seminars will be prepared by invited authors. However the CES member countries are invited to contribute supporting papers to the two seminars. These supporting papers will be made available on the UNECE website, and will be taken into account in the respective discussions.

10. The following deadlines apply for papers:
- 15 March for submitting the invited papers for the two seminars;
- 28 April for submitting the supporting papers for the two seminars and background documents that do not require translation.

11. The invited and supporting papers should not exceed 8 pages and should be sent to the UNECE secretariat electronically in Word format to Josephine Rauss (e-mail: josephine.rauss@unece.org).

12. All documents will be available on the meeting website. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents with them, as there will be no documents available in the meeting room.

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