

## Forthcoming meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians

### **UN/ECE-FAO Study Group on Food and Agricultural Statistics** (Geneva, 3-6 July 1995)

The participants will discuss the Handbook of concepts and definitions used in international collections of food and agriculture statistics prepared by the Intersecretariat Working Group on Food and Agricultural Statistics (IWG.AGRI). In addition they will discuss the next revision of FAO recommendations for agricultural censuses; statistical description of the transition process in the agricultural sector; confidentiality problems in agricultural statistics; (iv) quality control and problems of thresholds in agricultural statistics; remote sensing in agricultural statistics and, statistical issues of agricultural economics and economic accounts for agriculture.

### **Second UN/ECE-IEA Joint Meeting on Energy Statistics** (Geneva, 4-6 September 1995)

The topic of the meeting is "Statistics on Energy and the Environmental Effects of Energy Use". The meeting will consider the experiences of those involved with the estimation of air emissions from fuel supply and use with a view of identifying the areas of energy statistics which need strengthening to meet the needs of inventory preparation and abatement policies.

### **Joint UN/ECE-Eurostat Work Session on Methods of Environment Statistics** (Mèze, France, 11-14 September 1995)

The work session will discuss methodological issues related to: (i) geographical information for environment statistics; (ii) establishment of satellite or physical accounts; (iii) modelling techniques for production of environmental information, (iv) environmental indicators; (v) statistical aspects of emission regulations and ecological norms; (vi) establishment of indicators of sustainability; and discuss the inventory of statistical data bases on environment in national statistical offices and international organisations.

**Joint UN/ECE–Eurostat–OECD Consultation on the European Comparison Programme** (Vienna, 25–28 September 1995)

The Austrian Statistical office will present the report on results of the Central and Eastern European comparisons, and together with countries involved, a review of problems of comparisons in some countries where results are not yet available. Participants will discuss general problems of comparison and make an attempt to draw conclusions for future work. In addition, reports on the comparison of the Baltic countries and on the Transcaucasian and Central Asian comparisons will also be presented. Global results of ECP'93 and possibilities for linking Group I and Group II will be considered as well as the publication of ECP for 1993. Finally, next round of ECP and future work in this programme will be examined.