

Forthcoming meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians

1. Work session on statistics of services (Geneva, April 1990)

The work session will review the progress made by various international bodies active in this area and will make proposals as regards the topics to be treated in future work by the Conference of European Statisticians.

2. Work session on migration statistics (Geneva, April 1990)

The meeting is expected to review the results of efforts (e.g. through bilateral studies) to improve the quality and international comparability of national statistics about international migration. Furthermore, the results of evaluation studies of data from various sources will be assessed. Finally, the seminar will discuss measurement of country of nationality and of return migration in relation to the comparability of international migration statistics.

3. Work session on housing statistics (Geneva, May 1990)

The meeting is convened jointly by the Conference of European Statisticians and the ECE Committee on Housing, Building and Planning. It will consider the development of statistics on renovations, improvements, repairs and maintenance.

4. Seminar on integrated statistical information systems and related matters, ISIS '90 (Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, May 1990)

The Seminar will consider experiences in (a) the use of new techniques for data collection and data capture; (b) automatic coding of descriptive data; and (c) the use of artificial intelligence methods and tools for the development of statistical applications. The meeting will also review the progress achieved in the ECE/UNDP Statistical Computing Project.

5. Work session on specific methodological issues in environment statistics
(Stockholm, June 1990)

The meeting is invited by the Swedish Government to take place in Stockholm. It will discuss selected methodological problems in three areas of environment statistics: statistics on the marine environment; water use and quality and related statistics; and fauna, flora and related statistics. The meeting is intended to further the dialogue between biologists/ecologists on one hand and experts from statistical offices on the other.

6. Thirty-eight plenary session of the Conference of European statisticians
(Geneva, June 1990)

The members of the Conference (i.e. Directors of national statistical offices in the ECE region) will reconsider their programme of work in all its parts (i.e. economic, social, demographic, environment statistics and organizational matters). Furthermore, the following subjects will be discussed in substance: relations between statistical services and the mass media; role of statistical offices in satisfying statistical needs for research purposes; and forthcoming problems of foreign trade statistics.