

## **Statistical Work Programme of the Commission for 2011**

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## OVERALL PRIORITIES FOR 2011

### 1. Political and legal context

The political context of the Commission's 2011 Statistical Work Programme (hereinafter referred to as the Annual Work Programme — AWP) is based on the following political and legal developments:

- Implementation of the *Political guidelines of the Commission 2010-2014*<sup>1</sup> listing the following objectives for the years to come: making a successful exit from the crisis, leading on climate change, boosting the new sources of growth and social cohesion, advancing a people's Europe and opening a new era for Global Europe as well as continuing to implement the priorities mentioned in the *Commission Work Programme for 2011*<sup>2</sup>.
- Of these priorities, the implementation of the *Commission strategy Europe 2020*<sup>3</sup>, the follow-up to the *Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Commission report on the measurement of economic performance and social progress*<sup>4</sup> and the *GDP and beyond-initiative*<sup>5</sup> will take on special importance for the ESS in 2011 and coming years.
- Implementation of the *Communication on the production method of EU statistics*<sup>6</sup> and its related joint European Statistical System (ESS) strategy paper spelling out the principles of ESS implementation of the Communication. The main objective of this initiative is to improve the efficiency of statistical production in an environment of increasing needs for new statistics and limited resources by substantially changing the production methods of European statistics. Constant adaptation of its products and services through innovation and new developments will ensure that the ESS can continue to play a relevant role in supporting the EU policy-making and to satisfy user expectations in the future.
- *Further implementation of the Regulation on European Statistics*<sup>7</sup>, providing a stable and transparent legal environment assuring the independence, integrity and accountability of the ESS members. The Regulation lays down principles to enable all actors in the ESS to produce and disseminate statistics more efficiently, establishes the structure of the ESS in a legal act, assigns a coordinating role in the statistical system to Eurostat at European level and to the National Statistical Institutes (NSIs) at national level, institutionalises collaborative networks and strengthens requirements for output quality.

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<sup>1</sup> Political guidelines for the next Commission, José Manuel Barroso, 3.9.2009.

<sup>2</sup> Communication to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions "Commission Work Programme 2011", COM (2010) 623 final

<sup>3</sup> Communication "Europe 2020 - A strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth", COM (2010) 2020 final of 3.3.2010 (hereinafter referred to as *Commission strategy Europe 2020*)

<sup>4</sup> Report on the Measurement of Economic Performance and Social Progress, J.E. Stiglitz, A.Sen, J. -P. Fitoussi, 2009 (hereinafter referred to as *Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Report*)

<sup>5</sup> Communication of the Commission "GDP and beyond - Measuring progress in a changing world", COM(2009) 433 final of 20.8.2009 (hereinafter referred to as *Communication on GDP and beyond*)

<sup>6</sup> Communication on the production method of EU statistics: a vision for the next decade — COM(2009) 404 final (hereinafter referred to as *Communication on the production method of EU statistics*)

<sup>7</sup> European Parliament and Council Regulation No 223/2009 on European statistics (hereinafter referred to as *Regulation on European statistics*)

- Further implementation of the *actions of the Hague Action Plan*, based on the recommendations of the Partnership Group Task Force 2 and Task Force 3. The actions aim to improve working methods within the ESS.
- Implementation of the recommendations of the mid-term review of the current Multiannual Programme 2008-2012 as well as *preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next European Statistical Programme 2013-2017*.

## 2. The priorities for 2011 – A Partnership in Progress

The establishment of priorities for 2011 takes place in an increasingly difficult context of resource constraints in the ESS. Large public deficits are observed in many Member States and government expenditure is under pressure. Many NSIs are faced with severe budget constraints which makes it difficult to satisfy all user demands, whether at national or EU level.

The AWP specifies the statistical priority actions that underpin the Commission's political priorities for statistics. New data needs stemming from recently launched important initiatives will be addressed in the AWP 2011, namely:

- *The Commission strategy Europe 2020 for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth*<sup>3</sup>, including activities under the following headings: *smart, sustainable and inclusive growth; missing links and bottlenecks, exit from the crisis: first steps towards 2020, and delivering results: stronger governance*.
- Contributing to the implementation of EU Climate policy post-Copenhagen<sup>8</sup> and further discussions on combating the climate change.
- Initiatives aiming to improve measurement of the progress of societies, such as the *Communication of the Commission on GDP and beyond*<sup>5</sup> and the *Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi report*<sup>4</sup>.

In 2011, the Commission will actively pursue cooperation with the Greek authorities to provide technical assistance to support statistical capacity building and efforts to improve the collection and processing of government statistics, in particular. The aim is to address the shortcomings identified and restore confidence in Greek statistics.

At EU level, the Commission policy of zero growth in resources will continue to be implemented until 2013. It will be addressed by strategic projects such as strategic planning of human resources, career development and learning and development programmes.

Taking these constraints into account, as well as the increasing need for statistics to back new EU policies and initiatives, the AWP 2011 is to be an ambitious programme posing a challenge to the whole ESS. The integration of statistical production in both the Member States and Eurostat, based on the Communication on the production method of EU statistics, points the way forward to free up the resources needed by increasing the efficiency of production methods in a long run. At the same time, greater involvement of the Member States in the process of establishing priorities for the coming years (during preparation of the annual and multiannual programmes) will facilitate a more flexible allocation of resources needed for priority areas. In addition, in order to ease the burden on

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<sup>8</sup> Commission Communication "International climate policy post-Copenhagen: Acting now to reinvigorate global action on climate change", COM(2010) 86 final

the NSIs, a number of actions in certain areas addressing existing and new requirements for producing statistics have been cut back while still aiming to satisfy the needs of the Commission and provide high-quality statistical information.

Taking into account the new needs stemming from the Commission's political priorities outlined above, and in line with the discussions at the ESS Committee meeting on 19 November 2009<sup>9</sup>, the priorities for 2011 are the following:

## **2.1 A more efficient production system**

While in 2010 the ESS has developed a common proposal for the strategy to implement the Communication on the production method of EU statistics, in 2011 the focus will be on launching the first actions to bring about change across the system and at the same time deepening actions in those areas where change has already begun.

## **2.2 Improved statistical support for the EU's strategic policies**

The Commission's strategy Europe 2020 and its endorsement by the European Council sets a clear agenda for the most important EU and national policies to be pursued in the coming years. The implementation of this ambitious agenda will require immense efforts from the ESS to provide the relevant indicators for measuring progress.

## **2.3 Better measurement of the progress of societies**

Improving the ability of the ESS to deliver integrated statistics for cross-cutting issues and complex social phenomena, and thereby meeting new and more demanding needs of users, will also be a priority in 2011. At the same time, the quality of existing European statistics should be improved in order to maintain their relevance to users.

## **2.4 A partnership in progress**

These challenges can be met successfully only by further strengthening the cooperative institutional framework within the ESS, based on the governance work carried out over many years. This work should continue in 2011.

A more detailed description of the priorities is provided below.

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<sup>9</sup> Presented at the ESS Committee meeting on 19 November 2009 (doc. No. 2009/03/06)

## 2.1. A MORE EFFICIENT PRODUCTION SYSTEM

Following the initial discussion at the ESSC in Malta and the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council in November 2009 on the Communication on the production method of EU statistics, discussions in 2010 have led to the establishment of a common ESS strategy towards a modernised and more effective production system for European statistics. The Communication will be implemented through systematic collaboration among the partners in the ESS, taking into account the existing differences in their approach to the production of statistics as well as the subsidiarity principle.

In certain areas of statistics, as well as on horizontal issues, a number of important specific developments for 2011 can already now be identified.

### 2.1.1 Vision infrastructure projects

In 2010, a number of "Vision Infrastructure Projects" to spearhead the implementation of the efficiency vision stemming from the Communication on the production method of EU statistics have been defined and will be at the heart of new work in 2011.

These projects should be horizontal and - once tested and successfully applied for one statistical process - should have the potential to be extended to other statistical processes thus leading to a rationalised and integrated statistical processes. The following projects meeting the above mentioned criteria will be launched in 2010 and continued in 2011:

- Data integration, data linking and statistical matching for a selected number of statistical data from households;
- Development of data validation tools accessible to NSIs in a shared production environment in different areas of statistics (agriculture, EU-SILC, structural business statistics);
- ESS infrastructure for decentralised access to and exchange of confidential data. Project for making operational the remote access to confidential data for researchers, also in the context of the Euro-Group register;
- Development of an extension to the National Accounts Production System (NAPS) for time series calculations.

### 2.1.2 Economic and business statistics

The development of the **NAPS** will be one of the main projects together with the **implementation of NACE Rev 2** in national accounts by September 2011.

Another important project foreseen is the test production of **GDP flash estimates** at T+30, which will pave the way for a 30-60-90 approach to the release of national accounts, while the 2011 target for the quarterly euro area sector accounts is the release of (flash) estimates at T+90.

The programme for the **Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade Statistics (MEETS)** will be in its third year of operation in 2011. The Programme aims to implement the Communication on the production method of EU statistics through actions and projects leading to the integration of business and trade statistics and ultimately to a data warehouse for these statistics. In 2011, work will continue on streamlining the legal framework for business and trade statistics. The harmonisation of concepts, definitions and methodologies is necessary to integrate these statistics and to allow for the compilation of data from different sources. The integration of production systems will also be sought through projects for micro-data linking between different domains, for the use of administrative and accounting data (including implied transfer of data

from enterprises to NSIs) and for the development of a common methodology for sample surveys. Also, the use of EU sample schemes will be further explored.

In the field of price statistics, the regular quarterly production of an experimental House Prices Index (HPI) is to start at the end of 2010, based on data provided by nearly all EU NSIs. In 2011, an HICP (Harmonised Indices of Consumer Prices) implementing Regulation, formally establishing the HPIs, also for OOH (Owner-Occupied Housing) purposes, should enter into force from 1 January 2012, provided that the ESS Committee supports the Commission proposal on the subject. Furthermore, in 2011, a handbook on Residential Property Price Indices (RPPI) is to be published.

The implementation of the new Purchasing Power Parities (PPP) Regulation will also require efforts by all partners, and emerging user needs for more detailed price statistics will require **closer links between HICP and PPP data and methodologies**. Work will also be carried out to examine whether and where these data can be supplemented by data from other sources (see also the section on price statistics under Chapter 2.3 "Better measurement of the progress of societies", Part 2.3.2 "National accounts and other economic indicators").

### 2.1.3 Horizontal issues

In 2011, efforts will be made to put in place a harmonised system of **quality assurance**, to adapt the codes of practices and the current quality frameworks to the new methods for the production of EU statistics, to standardise and streamline quality reporting in the ESS, to monitor the quality trade-offs at stake and to improve communication with users on quality issues. Tools to facilitate quality checks and data preparation at national level will also be made available by means of web-based services.

Regarding **statistical methods and methodology**, generic processes for producing EU statistics will be defined and designed, best practices will be identified and shared in the ESS and methods for key steps in the new business process and for optimising complex processes will be developed. Finally, methodological knowledge and competence management will be enhanced and shared in the ESS.

Distributed **IT architecture** and standards for cooperative development, the development of metadata-driven IT infrastructure, and the definition, development and sharing of generic IT tools are planned for 2011 aiming to ensure better vertical integration and hence resulting in efficiency gains, quality improvements and reduction of costs.

The **use of SDMX** as a standard shared by different international organisations in administering joint questionnaires will be a means to reduce the reporting burden for national statistical organisations. There will be a joint analysis of efficiency gains in production processes and burden reduction through the use of non-survey sources. At Eurostat level, integrated production systems following the **CVD approach** will be put in place.

In 2011, the emphasis will also be on **better integrating the ESS and international classifications** as well as rendering the harmonised metadata and classifications accessible within the ESS.

Efforts will be made to **improve communication with users**. Here, the aim will be to achieve greater coherence across the full range of Eurostat's dissemination products so that they are more user-oriented and more visible to users. Users will be able to find statistics without prior knowledge of Eurostat's organisation structure, for example via simple searches (on-site as well as external engines such as Google). In addition, there will be an in-depth analysis of user needs at European and national levels with the European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC) involved in the identification of priority user needs. It is also planned to further develop the positive image of Eurostat and the ESS via public relations and marketing. Concrete actions will be agreed with NSIs under the umbrella of the Sponsorship on Communication (possible actions include both technical



developments for NSI websites as well as ideas on common communication and common data release timetables, etc.).

In 2011, Eurostat is to become the global reference source for European statistics. This will include using Eurostat's **dissemination infrastructure** not only to provide direct access to users through effective and reliable tools, but also to facilitate the distribution of European statistics through the dissemination products of other organisations (such as bulk download, bulk download using SDMX, X-DIS e-Services, Google collaboration). It will also include offering a permanent and professional service to the media in order to disseminate statistical information to EU citizens on a very broad scale.

Mapping possible **new financial instruments** based, among others, on the proposed revision of the Financial Regulation as well the establishment of a long-term strategy for the expenditure under the next Financial Perspectives will require attention in 2011.

## 2.2. AN IMPROVED STATISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THE EU'S STRATEGIC POLICIES

The presentation of the Commission strategy Europe 2020 and its subsequent endorsement by the European Council have defined to a large extent the strategic agenda for EU and national policies in the coming years.

This agenda establishes a number of headline targets and other indicators such as employment rates, R&D investment levels, climate-energy targets, early school leavers and risk-of-poverty rates where the ESS will be called upon to deliver the necessary underlying statistics.

The initial work on these indicators will already be launched in 2010 but will also constitute an important priority for the AWP 2011.

## 2.3. A BETTER MEASUREMENT OF THE PROGRESS OF SOCIETIES

The Commission Communication on GDP and beyond and the publication of the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Report has given new impetus to the key challenge for the statistical system, namely how to obtain better statistics on cross-cutting issues and more integrated statistics to describe complex social phenomena. Discussions with the ESS Committee and the ESAC in 2010 around this theme are expected to lead to new actions. However, a number of ongoing actions will continue in 2011.

### 2.3.1 Cross-cutting issues

In the area of **climate change** statistical work contributing to monitoring the implementation of the Kyoto protocol will continue to be carried out. New data needs stemming from the Commission strategy Europe 2020, climate policy post-Copenhagen<sup>8</sup> and further discussions in this area in 2010 will probably be translated into a need to develop appropriate measurement tools and to produce new types of statistics necessary for monitoring, reporting and verification of the implementation of these initiatives.

Socio-economic statistics for coastal regions need to be collected and developed for the new **EU Maritime Policy**. This policy lays down the foundations for the sustainable development of Europe's maritime sectors, a development process that combines economic growth, the welfare of coastal populations, and protection of the marine environment.

### 2.3.2 National accounts and other economic indicators

Following the actions concerning the **Greek government deficit and debt statistics**, the Commission Regulation 479/2009 on the application of the Protocol on the excessive deficit procedure has been revised. The strengthening of Eurostat's powers will lead to an increased activity to verify government deficit and debt data. Furthermore, the proposals for Enhanced Economic Policy Coordination will require a review of the relevant statistical indicators, in particular those for the proposed Excessive Imbalance Procedure (scoreboard).

The actions to prepare the **implementation of the revised European System of Accounts (ESA)** will be among the major priorities so that Member States can be ready to apply the new ESA in 2014, in terms of methodology and the data transmission programme. Following the tabling of the Commission proposals in 2010, 2011 will be an important year for the advancement of the legislative process and initial preparatory actions. These actions will be coordinated with preparatory work for implementing the related international standards including the **Balance of Payments Manual (BPM6)** and **Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment (BD 4)**.

This will lead to a further enrichment of macro-economic statistics with the data needed for the types of analysis outlined in the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Report and the Communication on GDP and beyond.

2011 will see further development of the set of high-frequency economic indicators for analysis of **the cyclical development of the EU economy and the euro area**, taking into account new requirements for implementing of the Commission strategy Europe 2020. The indicators will provide timely and high-quality information on the short-term dynamics of the economy and on internal and external economic balances with implications for the economic cycle. The indicators will reflect the results of consultations with countries and international organisations on Principal Global Indicators, which were held in response to the recent global economic decline. The timeliness and quality of the **Principal European Economic Indicators (PEEIs)**, representing the core of this set of indicators will be supported by a modernised system for analysis and storage of the indicators.

In the area of business and trade statistics, work in 2011 will focus on **statistics on entrepreneurship and its determinants, and on multinational enterprise groups**.

With regard to price statistics, the Commission will launch a major **analysis of the "missing links" in the internal market**, taking a more systematic and integrated approach, for instance through its **Single Market Monitoring (SMM)** initiative. In parallel, a specific project focusing just on consumer markets is being carried out - the **Consumer Markets Scoreboard (CSM)**. Statistics will in effect be used to perform a first screening of markets, to help identify those for which a more detailed analysis of market functioning is warranted. There is a need for an overall data strategy for the screening exercise for the CSM and for the future market monitoring exercises. Currently, detailed price data are at the centre of this policy, but in the medium-term the policy needs of SMM in terms of prices cannot be met through existing price collections, which will probably need to be supplemented by data from other sources. Another important issue is the possibility to link price developments at different levels of the supply chain in order to be able to investigate whether markets are competitive at all levels. This entails the need to match results from statistics that use different classifications such as NACE and COICOP (Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose).

### **2.3.3. Environmental accounts**

In line with the strategy adopted by the SPC in November 2008, the first three modules of environmental accounts will be adopted and their implementation will start in 2011. In parallel, discussions with users and Member States will be organised during the year under the strategy in order to identify additional modules and define their content.

### **2.3.4 Social dimensions**

Several actions are envisaged in the area of **migration**. First of all, statistics on the social situation and integration of migrants will be developed in 2011 in line with the Malta Declaration adopted by the ESS Committee in October 2009. The mainstreaming approach adopted will allow additional statistics to be produced on a cross-cutting phenomenon while at the same time minimising the additional burden on data providers. In addition, it is planned to provide timely and high-quality data for the allocation of funds under the 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' programme, supporting the development of a truly common immigration policy.

In 2011, **EU-SILC** will be at the centre of attention in view of its ability to provide cross-cutting and socio-economic information for the Commission strategy Europe 2020, the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Report and the Communication on GDP and beyond. Therefore, priority actions in 2011 will focus on adapting of the survey to improve timeliness and enhance its ability to measure a wide range of elements of wellbeing and quality of life.

Launching the last phase in the full-scale implementation of **core social variables** in household surveys is of the utmost importance. This is a powerful 'common survey module', which will enhance ways of linking data from different surveys and facilitate the re-engineering of social statistics.

Priority actions in 2011 will also target the fields of public health, employment, education, research and development as well as the information society in order to enhance the analytical capabilities of social statistics and respond efficiently to the recommendations of the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Report, the Communication on GDP and beyond, and the Commission strategy Europe 2020.

### **2.3.5 Geo-referencing statistics**

To facilitate user understanding of the links between complex economic, social and regional phenomena, the EU Geoportal for **INSPIRE** will be fully developed and put into operation in 2011. In parallel, the Commission Geoportal which includes the Commission datasets made available to external users as well as the national geographic repositories, will be accessible via the portal.

In the area of **land use**, a collection of land use and land cover data addressing needs in the environment and agricultural areas will be launched.

## **2.4. A PARTNERSHIP IN PROGRESS**

The ESS has invested heavily over many years in improving its governance. While attention will probably be devoted more to the issues described in the preceding chapters, it is necessary to sustain these improvement actions and deepen the partnership nature of the ESS.

### **2.4.1. Implementing statistical law**

Following the establishment of an implementation plan in 2010 for the Regulation on European statistics in close collaboration with the ESS, 2011 could become an important year for implementing the actions agreed.

### **2.4.2. Follow-up to Cracow and the Hague**

2011 will also see the implementation of the remaining actions and recommendations for actions of a permanent nature stemming from the Cracow and the Hague action plans (although the vast majority of the actions supporting the new organisation and governance of the ESS have already been implemented). Actions for 2011<sup>10</sup> concern:

- Improvement of programming cycles (the recommendations of the Partnership Group Task Force 3 will be taken into account in preparing the new Multiannual Programme);
- Relevance, improved communication and user orientation (i.e. communication tools for liaising with users and respondents and facilitating the exchange of views within the ESS);
- Increased analytical capacity of the ESS, the development of a Research and Innovation Programme and cooperation with academic circles;
- Actions to implement the Learning and Development Framework for the ESS.

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<sup>10</sup> This list of actions for 2011 is not exhaustive, as some are mentioned in other parts of the document.

### 2.4.3. Investing in a common system

Sharing experience and building partnership is an essential principle of the structure of the ESS. One of the concrete outputs of this, specific ESSnet projects, remains of the utmost importance in 2011. Envisaged in a number of areas, they aim to promote cost efficiency in particular through the use of administrative sources, to develop tools to facilitate the transmission of data between organisations and to assess the fitness for purpose of specific data collections<sup>11</sup>. The administrative and financial aspects of this instrument will be reviewed in 2010 in order to enhance the effectiveness of the instrument in 2011 and subsequent years.

### 2.4.4 Legislation fit for the system

Implementation of the actions stemming from the **review of legislative policy** in the light of the new production method of European statistics and the Regulation on European statistics will continue in 2011.

The aim of this review carried out by Eurostat during 2009 and 2010 is to help bring about a new generation of statistical legislation that in combination with other instruments contributes to the success of the efficiency vision set out in the Communication on the production method of EU statistics. This will include tools to ensure consistent use of the various existing legal instruments (basic acts, implementing measures, innovative tools provided by the Regulation on European statistics). It will also help strike a fine balance between the legislative approach and 'self-regulation' – or absence of regulation.

Detailed actions under each priority are described in the following part of the AWP 2011 "Detailed description of planned activities by theme".

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<sup>11</sup> The ESSnet Plan 2011 has been discussed at the same ESS Committee meeting in May 2010 (Doc. No 2010/05/8)

### **Detailed description of planned activities by theme**

## READING GUIDE

The following part of the Programme, "Detailed description of planned activities by theme", follows the same domain-theme structure used for the current Community Statistical Programme from 2008 to 2012. Nevertheless, emphasis is put on the contribution to the political priorities for statistics in the detailed description of activities at theme level. In order to visualise better the contribution to political priorities, the table below indicates which themes contribute to the overall priorities outlined above.

Priorities for 2011	Themes under which the information can be found
<p>Political guidelines of the Commission 2010-2015 and the Commission strategy Europe 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making a successful exit from the crisis</li>   <li>• Boosting new sources of growth and social cohesion (smart, sustainable and inclusive growth; missing links and bottlenecks)</li>   <li>• Advancing People's Europe</li>   <li>• Opening a new era for Global Europe</li>   <li>• Stronger governance</li> </ul>	<p>Theme 2.01 Annual Economic accounts  Theme 2.02 Quarterly accounts  Theme 2.03 Monetary and financial statistics  Theme 2.06 Prices  Theme 1.02 Labour market  Theme 2.07 Trade in goods  Theme 2.08 Trade in services and balance of payments  Theme 6.10 Statistical research and methodology</p> <p>Theme 5.02 Europe 2020 strategy and sustainable development  Theme 5.01 Statistics for business cycle analysis  Theme 3.01 Annual business statistics  Theme 3.02 Short-term business statistics  Theme 1.02 Labour market  Theme 1.01 Population  Theme 1.06 Distribution of incomes and living conditions  Theme 1.07 Social protection  Theme 1.03 Education and lifelong learning  Theme 5.06 Science, technology and innovation  Theme 5.07 Information society  Theme 2.07 Trade in goods  Theme 2.08 Trade in services and balance of payments  Theme 4.08 Rural development and maritime policy statistics  Theme 4.01 Agricultural production  Theme 4.02 Agricultural structures  Theme 4.06 Fisheries statistics  Theme 3.04 Transport  Theme 3.03 Energy</p> <p>Theme 1.06 Distribution of incomes and living conditions  Theme 5.08 Consumer protection  Theme 1.11 Discrimination  Theme 1.10 Crime and criminal justice</p> <p>Theme 6.07 Statistical cooperation with the candidate and potential candidate countries  Theme 6.08 Statistical cooperation with countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy  Theme 6.09 International statistical cooperation</p> <p>Theme 8.05 Relations with the ESS, inter-institutional and international relations</p>
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Priorities for 2011	Themes under which the information can be found
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Implementation of the Communication on GDP and beyond and Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi report	Theme 2.01 Annual economic accounts Theme 3.06 Business registers Theme 2.06 Prices Theme 5.03 Environment statistics Theme 1.01 Population Theme 1.02 Labour market Theme 1.03 Education and lifelong learning Theme 1.05 Health and safety Theme 1.06 Distribution of incomes and living conditions Theme 1.12 Other work in the field of demographic and social statistics Theme 5.06 Science, technology and innovation Theme 5.07 Information society Theme 5.04 Regional and urban statistics Theme 5.05 Geographical and local information
Actions to improve the collection and processing of Greek government statistics	Theme 2.04 Government finance statistics
Implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics	Theme 2.01 Annual economic accounts Theme 2.06 Prices Theme 6.01 Quality management, evaluation, statistical coordination and classifications Theme 6.02 Statistical training Theme 6.03 IT support for statistical production Theme 6.04 IT standards, tools and services for data exchange in the ESS Theme 6.05 Data and metadata structural definition Theme 6.06 Information and dissemination Theme 6.10 Statistical research and methodology Theme 6.11 Data security and statistical confidentiality Theme 7.01 Management of IT infrastructure Theme 8.03 Management and statistical programmes Theme 7.03 Management of financial resources Theme 8.01 Communication
Implementation of the MEETS programme	Theme 3.01 Annual business statistics Theme 2.07 Trade in goods Theme 2.08 Trade in services and balance of payments Theme 3.02 Short-term business statistics Theme 5.07 Information society
Implementation of the Regulation on European Statistics	Theme 8.04 Management of legal bases Theme 7.03 Management of financial resources
Implementation of the actions of the Hague Action Plan	Theme 8.03 Management and statistical programmes Theme 6.06 Information and dissemination Theme 6.10 Statistical research and methodology Theme 6.02 Statistical training
Implementation of the recommendations of the mid-term review of the current Multiannual Programme and preparation of the next Multiannual Programme	Theme 8.03 Management and statistical programmes



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2 = Production (collection, validation) of statistical data;  
3 = Dissemination of EU statistics statistics;  
O = Other.

**Column (5):** According to the Articles/Annexes/Treaty titles of the Community Statistical Programme 2008-2012

**Column (6):** Resource impact on Member States: 1 = positive, i.e. the action aims to reduce resources required by NSIs for this task;  
2 = Is resource neutral for NSIs  
3 = negative, i.e. NSIs will have to allocate resources to this action.

**Column (7):** Main origin of resource: 1 = Reduction or abandonment of current work;  
2 = DG-internal resource reallocation;  
3 = Other DG;  
4 = Other (e.g. productivity gain).

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
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#### 3. Legal references (*where applicable*)

# DOMAIN 1 — DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL STATISTICS

## Theme 1.01 Population

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

The important demographic challenges facing the European Union as well as the development of a common immigration policy (cf. European Pact on Immigration and Asylum as well as the Stockholm Programme adopted by the European Council in December 2009) have resulted in an unprecedented demand for high-quality demographic and migration statistics to support policy-making, i.e.:

- Population and housing censuses
- Demographic statistics, including statistics on population stocks and vital events
- Population projections
- Migration statistics, including statistics on stocks of migrant populations, migration flows, acquisition of citizenship, asylum, enforcement of immigration legislation, residence permits and the social and economic situation of migrants

Quality improvements and quality assurance will be an important focus for work on both demographic and migration statistics.

In 2011, the population and housing censuses will be carried out in the Member States. Eurostat will accompany this effort and encourage the georeferencing of the resulting census data. The Census hub project is an example of a more interactive production chain based on a "data at the source" solution in line with the Communication on the production method of EU statistics.

Migration statistics as a cross-cutting phenomenon will benefit from a cost-effective mainstreaming approach. The core social variables relating for the identification of migrants will play an important role in enhancing the possibilities of linking and integrating data from different sources.

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Evaluation and review of migration statistics collected under Regulation 862/2007	Draft report to the EP and Council (required by 2012 under Art. 12 of Reg. 862/2007) Internal peer review of migration statistics	0	Title IV-Asylum, immigration	2	4	-
102	Development and improvement of existing data sources for migration statistics	Following the Malta Declaration, implementation of the work programme for the development of migration statistics (to be adopted by the ESSC in November 2010) – actions related to existing survey and administrative data sources (additional migrant questions/modules, migrant sampling, extensions to residence permit data)	1	Title IV-Asylum, immigration	3	2	-
103	Migration statistics mainstreaming: new data sources; data exchanges; data integration	Following the Malta Declaration, implementation of the work programme for the development of migration statistics (to be adopted by the ESSC in November 2010) – actions related to the use of new data sources; data integration; projects for the exchange of data between administrative and statistical institutions in origin and destination countries	1	Title IV-Asylum, immigration	3	2	-
104	Quality and accuracy of migration statistics	Adoption of an implementing regulation on quality and accuracy aspects of data collected under Regulation 862/2007 according to Art. 10(2)(e). Development and implementation of quality guidelines for migration statistics	1	Title IV-Asylum, immigration	2	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collect, analyse and disseminate demographic and migration statistics	Update with the latest reference year of the Eurostat dissemination database as regards statistics on demography, migration, asylum, residence permits and enforcement of immigration legislation. Annual population estimates transmitted to the Council. Release of a series of analyses on specific topics of demographic and migration statistics. Contribution of demographic and migration statistics to general Eurostat publications.	2, 3	General objectives Title III-Free mov. of persons	-
202	Data for the allocation of the "Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows" funds	Necessary statistics on migration and asylum transmitted to DG HOME for the allocation of the "Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows" funds	3	General objectives	-
203	Implement the programme for the quality assurance of data used for the allocation of the "Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows" funds	Improved quality of statistics	1	Title IV-Asylum, immigration	-
204	Population projections	Release of a new set of population projections and related variants. Preparatory work for a new set of regional projections	2	General objectives	-
205	Improve the level of quality (in particular as regards the relevance, comparability and timeliness) of the existing demographic data collection	Adoption of the Regulation of the EP and the Council on demographic statistics Methodological guidelines on demographic statistics finalised	1	General objectives	-
206	Census Hub	Development of the census hub for the dissemination of data from the population and housing census 2011	3	General objectives	-
207	Implement the strategy for the production of statistics on life expectancy by socio-economic group	Improvement of the availability of statistics on life expectancy by socio-economic group	1, 2	General objectives	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	862/2007	11.7.2007	L 199	31.7.2007	On migration and international protection and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 311/76 on the compilation of statistics on foreign workers
EP and Council Regulation	763/2008	9.7.2008	L 218	13.8.2008	On population and housing censuses

## Theme 1.02 Labour market

High-quality labour market statistics will be provided in the context of the Europe 2020 strategy and the Employment Guidelines. Infra-annual and structural headline indicators will inform policy makers, media and the public.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Labour Force Survey (LFS)
- Earnings and labour costs, in particular Structure of Earnings Survey and Labour Cost Survey
- Principal European Economic Indicators for the labour market: monthly unemployment, labour cost index, job vacancies
- Labour Market Policy statistics (LMP)
- Time Use Survey (TUS)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Launch the revision of the regulation on the LFS	Agreement on key elements to include in the revised legal act	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	2	4	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
102	Launch a task force to work on comparable measurement of the dynamics of the labour market (longitudinal dimension of the LFS)	Agreement on all relevant methodological questions in order to derive comparable measures	1	General objectives	2	4	-
103	Review working time concepts in the LFS with a view to implementing the 2008 ICLS (International Conference of Labour Statisticians) resolution on the measurement of working time	Agreement on interpretation of the ICLS resolution and on key elements for inclusion in LFS legal acts	1	General objectives	2	4	-
104	Work in the context of the reform of the production system for EU statistics (in the area of labour market statistics)	First implementation steps	2	General objectives	3	4	-
105	Launch work on seasonal adjustment of quarterly employment and activity rates	First trial results	1	General objectives	2	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collect, process and disseminate short-term and structural labour statistics (employment, unemployment, labour costs, earnings, job vacancies, labour market policies) within the deadlines specified in regulations and gentlemen's agreements; disseminate TUS data	Full range of updated labour market statistics made available on time, in good quality and in a user-friendly way	3	General objectives	EMPL
202	Continue actions in the context of the implementation plans following the agreed improvement recommendations for the LFS	Concrete improvement actions launched/achieved	2	General objectives	-
203	Implement the conclusions of the work on indicators to supplement the ILO (International Labour Organisation) unemployment rate	Supplementary indicators implemented	2	General objectives	-
204	Fieldwork in the context of the data collection for the Structure of Earnings Survey 2010	Fieldwork done in line with the timing requirements for the transmission of the results	2	General objectives	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	577/98	9.3.1998	L 77	14.3.1998	Concerning the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community
Council Regulation	530/99	9.3.1999	L 63	12.3.1999	Concerning structural statistics on earnings and on labour costs
EP and Council Regulation	450/2003	27.2.2003	L 69	13.3.2003	Concerning the labour cost index
EP and Council Regulation	453/2008	23.4.2008	L 145	4.6.2008	On quarterly statistics on Community job vacancies

## Theme 1.03 Education and lifelong learning

Official statistics on education and lifelong learning are vital in order to monitor progress towards the achievement of policy goals at national and EU levels.

Statistics developed under this theme are crucial for the monitoring and benchmark exercise of the Europe 2020 strategy, the "Education and Training 2020" policy (including new indicators related to employability and students mobility), and the renewed integrated guidelines, social agenda and sustainable development framework.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Production of statistical information on education and lifelong learning via specific data sources on education and training systems, vocational training in enterprises and adult learning
- Production of statistical information on education and lifelong learning via other ESS sources which are not specific to education covering areas like outcome of education, human capital, education and social inclusion of transition from school to work

- Dissemination of indicators for the monitoring of EU policies and benchmarking exercises like structural indicators, "Education and Training 2010", "Education and Training 2020", the European Employment Strategy and integrated guidelines, benchmarking the European Research Area, the social agenda and sustainable development
- Cooperation within the Commission established with DG EAC, DG EMPL, DG RTD and JRC (CRELL – Centre for Research on Education and Lifelong Learning)
- Cooperation with other international organisations (UNESCO Institute for Statistics, OECD, ILO), with specialised EU agencies – European Training Foundation (ETF), CEDEFOP, CRELL (JRC) – as well as with the Eurydice information network established by DG EAC (DG EACEA)

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Further development of indicators and related production processes as regards the monitoring and benchmarking exercise of the Commission strategy Europe 2020, "Education and Training 2020" (including new indicators related to employability and students mobility), the renewed integrated guidelines, social agenda and sustainable development framework	High-quality and sound statistical data on Eurostat website (dedicated sections on indicators used for monitoring EU policies)	3	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	3	2	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Regular production of indicators for the monitoring and benchmarking exercise of the Lisbon strategy, "Education and Training 2010", the integrated guidelines, the social agenda and the sustainable development framework	High-quality and sound statistical data on Eurostat website (dedicated sections on indicators used for monitoring EU policies)	3	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
202	Regular production and dissemination of UOE (UNESCO Institute for Statistics, the OECD and EUROSTAT) data on education systems and the related metadata with their envisaged extensions	Sound data collection instruments and statistical data on Eurostat website (thematic sections)	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
203	Continued work towards the adoption of the Commission Regulation on statistics on education and training systems act covering the "UOE" data collection	Regulation adopted	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
204	Finalisation of the preparation of the CVTS4 survey (Continuing Vocational Training Survey) <sup>12</sup>	Validation tools in relation to CVTS4 including control tables	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
205	Finalisation of the preparation of the AES survey (Adult Education Survey) and continued work on the improvement of the LFS data on participation in education and training	Grants for better harmonised statistics during the period 2010-2012. The improvement of the LFS variables might imply slight revisions in the LFS legal act in the future (alternatives to be discussed in 2010). Final AES methodological manual and development of the micro-data validation tools	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
206	Continued consolidation of the methodology and the production process of data on educational attainment coming from the LFS, SILC and other European social surveys in coordination with the OECD (in relation to the core social variables implementation referred to in theme 1.12)	New guidelines for the collection of educational attainment data in all social surveys	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
207	Continued contribution to the revision of the International Standard Classification for Education (ISCED) in cooperation with OECD and UNESCO (ISCED revision under the responsibility of the UNESCO Institute of Statistics)	Revised classification	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
208	Finalisation of the dissemination of the data on entry of young people into the labour market (coming from the EU-LFS <i>ad hoc</i> module 2009)	Data publication on Eurostat website and related paper publications	3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

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A review of the survey will start in early 2012 following the EP/Council 2010 report.

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
209	Modernisation of UOE finance methodology and tables (ongoing ESSnet)	Modernised UOE finance methodology	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Several data collections are initiated or promoted by DG EAC, DG EMPL and CEDEFOP in the field of skills measurements: language skills measure, learning to learn skills measure, civic skills, adult skills; innovation and creativity skills
- DG EAC executive agency (Eurydice) collects qualitative information and data on education and training systems

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	1552/2005	7.9.2005	L 255	30.9.2005	On statistics relating to vocational training in enterprises
EP and Council Regulation	452/2008	23.4.2008	L 145	4.6.2008	On statistics on education and lifelong learning

## Theme 1.04 Culture

Official statistics on culture are requested within the development of the "European agenda for the culture" endorsed by the Council on 16 November 2007. Eurostat involvement is limited and mainly concerns the set up and monitoring of an ESSnet running from September 2009 to September 2011.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Statistics on the cultural/creative sector
- Statistics on expenditure on culture
- Statistics on cultural participation and the social impact of culture

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Assess the results of ESSnet-culture	Assessment of <i>pros</i> and <i>cons</i> for a new ESSnet-culture	2, 3	Title XII-Culture	3	4	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Follow-up of ESSnet-culture	Final report of the ESSnet-culture for 2009-2011	1, 2	Title XII-Culture	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Resolution	95/C 327	20.11.1995	C 327	7.12.1995	On the promotion of statistics on culture and economic growth
Council Resolution	97/C 36	20.1.1997	C 36	5.2.1997	On the integration of cultural aspects into Community actions

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Resolution	2007/C 287/01	16.11.2007	C 287	29.11.2007	On a European Agenda for Culture
Council conclusions	2007/3/311	24.5.2007	C 311	21.12.2007	On the contribution of the cultural and creative sectors to the achievement of the Lisbon objectives
Council Conclusions	2008/C/143	21.5.2008	C 143	10.6.2008	On the Work Plan for Culture 2008-2010
Council Conclusions		18.11.2010		Not yet published	On the Work Plan for Culture 2011-2014

## Theme 1.05 Health and safety

Health is an important priority for Europeans, who expect to be protected against illness and disease – at home, in the workplace and when travelling. Statistics are developed in the context of the EU's 'Together for health: a strategic approach for the EU 2008-2013' and of the health and long-term care strand of the Open Method of Coordination (OMC) on Social Protection and Social Inclusion set up by the Lisbon European Council of March 2000. Concerning Health and Safety at Work, the policy framework is provided by the Commission Communication (COM (2007) 62 final) on "Improving quality and production at work: Community strategy 2007-2012 on health and safety at work" provides the policy framework.

Priorities in 2011 will include (i) preparatory work for the implementing Commission regulation on health care and for the second round of EHIS (European Health Interview Survey) and (ii) finalisation and adoption of the Commission regulation on the LFS 2013 module on accidents and work-related health problems.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Public Health including Health care (expenditure (covers health care financing) and non-expenditure (covers health care organisation – facilities, staff, equipment and use of services)), Causes of Death, Health Interview Surveys (European Health Interview Surveys - EHIS, Statistics on Income and Living Conditions - SILC), Morbidity and Disability
- Health and safety at work, including European Statistics on Accidents at Work (ESAW) and European Occupational Diseases Statistics (EODS)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Preparatory work for the implementing Commission regulation on health care (mapping exercise for expenditure in in-depth comparability assessment for non-expenditure)	Results of mapping exercise for expenditure and of comparability assessment for non-expenditure as a base for consensus with Member States on the scope and detailed level of data under implementing regulation	1	Title XIII- Public health	3	4	-
102	Preparatory work for the second round of EHIS (first draft of implementing Commission regulation; technical and methodological documents including questionnaire)	Draft implementing regulation; draft questionnaire and methodological guidelines	1	Title XIII- Public health	3	4	-
103	Finalisation and adoption of the Commission regulation on the LFS 2013 module on accidents and work-related health problems; development of corresponding questionnaire and methodological guidelines	Commission regulation	1	Title XIII- Public health	2	4	EMPL
104	Development of technical and methodological guidelines (including questionnaire) for a survey on disability	EP and Council Regulation and corresponding implementing Commission regulation adopted; methodological and technical guidelines adopted	1	Title XIII- Public health	3	4	EMPL
105	Adoption of Commission Regulations on Causes of Death and on European Statistics of Accidents of Work	Adoption of two Commission Regulations one related to Causes of Death and one to European Statistics of Accidents at Work	1	Title XIII- Public health	2	-	-



## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collection, validation and dissemination of 2009 data (and associated metadata) on health care (expenditure and non-expenditure) based on Joint Questionnaire with OECD and WHO; improvement of data quality; dissemination of short analysis in the form of SiFs (Statistics in Focus)	2008 data dissemination on expenditure and 2009 data on non-expenditure available on the Eurostat website; SiFs	2	Title XIII- Public health	-
202	Collection, validation and dissemination of the 2009 data (and associated metadata) on causes of death; dissemination of short analysis in the form of a SiF	2009 data on causes of death available on the Eurostat website; SiFs	2	Title XIII- Public health	-
203	Validation and dissemination (on the Eurostat website and in the form of anonymised microdata to the research community) of EHIS 2008 round data for all participating countries	Release of EHIS 2008 round data for all participating countries Update of the regulation relating to micro-data for research purposes	2	Title XIII- Public health	-
204	Development of corresponding methodological and technical guidelines for a survey on health and social integration to be implemented in 2012	Methodological and technical guidelines available	1	Title XIII- Public health	-
205	Evaluation of all pilot data collections and development of the methodology for data collection on morbidity	Document with revised guidelines for a regular data collection on morbidity statistics	1	Title XIII- Public health	-
206	Collection, validation and dissemination of the 2009 data (and associated metadata) on Accidents at Work (ESAW) and on Occupational Diseases (EODS); improvement of the coverage in line with implementing Commission regulation for ESAW and consolidation of EODS in new Member States and candidate countries	2009 data (and associated metadata) on Accidents at Work (ESAW) and on Occupational Diseases (EODS) available on the Eurostat website	2	Title XIII- Public health	-
207	Collaboration with the Washington Group and the Budapest Initiative	Proposal for health and disability questions	0	Title XIII- Public health	-
208	Implementation in Member States of the 2011 LFS <i>ad hoc</i> module on employment of disabled people	Data collected	2	Title XIII- Public health	EMPL
209	SILC: 2009/2010 data on health status, health care and healthy Life Years Structural indicator	SILC 2009/2010 data available on the Eurostat website	2	Title XIII- Public health	-

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- For some areas in the field of public health, data such as injuries and regional health statistics are collected directly by DG Health and Consumers (DG SANCO), through actions which are not directly steered by Eurostat, under the Programme of Community Action in the Field of Health 2008-2013. Eurostat will, where relevant and possible, provide technical support for the follow-up of these projects, such as by examining the possibility to launch an ESSnet.
- The European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) will continue developing an observatory of working conditions in Europe. Eurofound will also launch its 5<sup>th</sup> European Survey on Working Conditions.
- The European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) will continue to develop its Risk Observatory on new and emerging risks.
- The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) coordinates collections of data on communicable diseases at EU level.
- Data on key indicators on drugs are collected by the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA), and work is coordinated with Eurostat.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Directive	89/391	12. 6.1989	L 183	29.6.1989	Introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work
Council Resolution	95/C 168	27.3.1995	C 168	4.7.1995	On the transposition and application of Community social legislation
EP and Council Decision	1350/2007	23.10.2007	L 301	20.11.2007	Establishing a second programme of Community action in the field of health (2008-13)
EP and Council Regulation	1338/2008	16.12.2008	L 354	31.12.2008	On Community statistics on public health and health and safety at work
Council Resolution	2007/C145/01	25.6.2007	C 145	30.6.2007	On a new Community strategy on health and safety at work (2007-2012)



## Theme 1.06 Distribution of incomes and living conditions

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

EU-SILC is the European survey on income and living conditions. It has a multipurpose nature including:

- the inclusive growth pillar of the proposed Europe 2020 strategy, in particular with indicators linked to poverty and material deprivation,
- the improved measurement of dimensions of the quality of life.

EU-SILC is a central survey to consider for progressing towards better integration of data sources, to address cross-cutting issues, for instance through data linking and data matching.

The household budget survey, HBS, covers the consumption side of the households' statistics.

The main activities are:

- Annual collection of microdata on income and living conditions (EU-SILC), including annual *ad hoc* modules
- Dissemination of indicators and statistical tables on poverty and social exclusion
- Fostering analysis and developing publications on poverty and social exclusion
- Collection of microdata on household budget surveys (HBS) every five years

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Conceptual work on measuring progress of societies in the context of various cross-cutting initiatives (Commission strategy Europe 2020, Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi report, Communication on GDP and beyond), Development of analytical capacities, in particular with respect to distributional aspects of income, wealth and consumption, and links with national accounts.	Feasibility study on (1) possibilities to link wealth, income, consumption and social protection sources (2) possibilities to link these sources with national accounts, in order to bring out a more comprehensive picture of society	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	2	2	-
102	Development of pilot approaches in the field of multidimensional measurement of quality of life, including linkage of different data sources.	Pilot data collection analysis In-depth study of possible links between various European surveys in the social field.	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	2	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collect and validate the 2010 SILC cross-sectional and the 2009 longitudinal microdata	Cross-sectional microdata are validated by December 2011 and longitudinal microdata by September 2011	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
202	Disseminate user microdata bases to researchers	User microdata bases are sent to researchers in March and August 2011 (incl. updates of previous years with significant changes)	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
203	Prepare the 2013 <i>ad hoc</i> SILC module	2013 <i>ad hoc</i> SILC module adopted by the European Commission by December 2011	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
204	Finalise quality reports: final 2008 report and intermediate 2009 reports	EU quality reports are published on Eurostat website by June 2011	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
205	Improve dissemination on living conditions and update and improve the contents and coverage of the Eurostat website	A few SiFs and press releases are published over 2011. Open Method of Coordination indicators and aggregated tables are updated at least once a month on Eurostat website when new data becomes available	3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
206	Review of the EU-SILC legal basis	A common position within the ESS is in progress by the end of 2011	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
207	EU Expertise Network on Income and Living Conditions Statistics	Support for revision of EU-SILC; scientific coordination of an international conference to be held in 2012	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
208	Start collecting and validating the microdata files for the 2010 HBS wave	Gradual reception and validation of national data	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
209	Work to improve knowledge of the non-response bias in the HBS.	Guidelines on how to reduce and deal with non response in household surveys.	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	1177/2003	16.6.2003	L 165	3.7.2003	Concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC)

## Theme 1.07 Social protection

The European System of Integrated Social Protection Statistics (ESSPROS) provides a coherent comparison between European countries of social benefits to households and their financing. It is also relevant to the inclusive growth pillar of the proposed Commission Strategy Europe 2020.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Data on social protection expenditure and receipts by social protection schemes (quantitative data - core system)
- Metadata on social protection benefits by scheme (qualitative data - core system)
- Data on pension beneficiaries (module)
- Data on net social benefits (module)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Collection (on a voluntary basis) of 2007 and 2008 data on net social benefits	Internal availability of time series on net social benefits and improvement of the collection	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	3	2	-
102	Launching of 2009 data on net social benefits	Reception of data in 2012	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	3	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collect and validate the 2009 ESSPROS data (quantitative and qualitative data of the core system, data on pension beneficiaries) in accordance with EP and Council Regulation No 458/2007	2009 ESSPROS data	2	General objectives	-
202	Disseminate the 2009 ESSPROS data (quantitative and qualitative data of the core system, data on pension beneficiaries) in accordance with EP and Council Regulation No 458/2007	2009 ESSPROS data disseminated through New Cronos (Comext support)	3	General objectives	-
203	Publish the ESSPROS data in the form of two Statistics in Focus on selected ESSPROS topics	Availability of two Statistics in Focus and ESSPROS contributions to policy reports	3	General objectives	-
204	Prepare two EU quality reports on the core system and on pension beneficiaries	EU quality reports available on the CIRCA website	1	General objectives	-
205	Commission Regulations (implementing Regulation No 458/2007) on net social benefits	Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	458/2007	25.4.2007	L 113	30.4.2007	On the European system of integrated social protection statistics (ESSPROS)

## Theme 1.09 Food safety

Eurostat involvement is limited and mainly concerns the collection and dissemination of data on 'control and monitoring activities' in order to meet data needs for the Commission Report to the European Parliament and to the Council in accordance with Article 44 of Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council No. 882/2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Control and monitoring of food safety data
- Data on food consumption
- Food domain of the Eurostat website

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Continue updating the controls database for food safety and improve the quality of the data, including documentation on definitions and sampling strategies used by the countries	Better-quality indicators of control and monitoring activities with a view to a possible publication	2	Title XIV-Consumer protection	-
202	Define at EU level with the support of a task force the content (variables) to be collected in the area of organic production and farming	Good-quality indicators on organic production and farming made available on Eurostat website	3	Title XIV-Consumer protection	-
203	Update the FOOD domain of New Cronos with up-to-date data and also examine the possibility of including data on food-borne diseases collected by the ECDC (European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control)	Keep the FOOD domain of New Cronos permanently updated	2	Title XIV-Consumer protection	-

#### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Give priority to the use of available data such as the Household Budget Survey	Double reporting avoided and decrease the workload for Member States decreased
Continue developing the common terminology (definitions, classifications) used to collect data on control and monitoring activities in order to help countries develop their own data management systems (administrative sources) for collecting and storing data on control and monitoring activities	Use of administrative data made possible to obtain comparable indicators of control and monitoring activities across the EU
Continue cooperating with other collectors of data in the field (DG SANCO, in particular the Food and Veterinary Office (FVO), and the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA))	Rationalisation of existing EU data collections in the field of food safety statistics

### 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

#### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Detailed data on specific issues such as monitoring pesticide residues, zoonoses, etc. are currently collected by DG SANCO and/or the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and sent to Eurostat

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	178/2002	28.1.2002	L 31	1.2.2002	Laying down the general principles and requirements of food law
Council Regulation	834/2007	28.6.2007	L 189	20.7.2007	Concerning organic production and labelling of organic products
Commission Regulation	889/2008	5.9.2008	L 250	18.9.2008	Laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007

## Theme 1.10 Crime and criminal justice

The need to provide information on the development of crime in the EU arises from the Hague programme adopted by the European Council in 2004 and Commission Communication COM/2006/437, 'Developing a comprehensive and coherent EU strategy to measure crime and criminal justice: an EU action plan 2006-2010'.

Priorities in 2011 will include (i) the development of a security survey to be implemented in 2013, and (ii), development of methodologies for providing required indicators following the work of the DG HOME Expert Group on data needs.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Statistics on police-recorded crime, number of police officers in the Member States and prison population
- Statistics on money-laundering and other new crime types
- Statistics on victimisation/security

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Safety survey to be implemented in 2013: development of Commission regulation and technical and methodological aspects	Draft of the Commission implementing regulation, reports with technical and methodological aspects	1	Title IV- Asylum, immigration	3	2	-
102	Follow up work by the DG HOME Expert Group on data needs, develop methodologies for providing required indicators and implement where possible	Publication of indicators on a new crime type with suitable provisions concerning differences in national systems	1	Title IV- Asylum, immigration	3	4	-
103	Draft EP and Council regulation for an EU Safety Survey to be implemented in 2013: discussion in EP and Council	Updated version of EP and Council regulation	1	Title IV- Asylum, immigration	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Launch jointly with UN a collection of data on police-recorded crime, number of police officers in the Member States and prison population, up to reference year 2009	Tables on Eurostat website and Statistics in Focus	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
202	Extend the collection of data on money-laundering, up to reference year 2009	Tables on Eurostat website and Working Paper	2	Title IV- Asylum, immigration	-
203	Restructure available metadata relating to crime and criminal justice systems corresponding to latest information obtained from Member States	Metadata updated in SDMX format on Eurostat website	3	Title IV- Asylum, immigration	-

### 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

#### 2.1 NEW WORK

- Launching of a joint data collection with the UN - DG HOME is involved.

#### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Collection of cash control statistics from Member States by DG TAXUD.

## Theme 1.11 Discrimination

Equality statistics are based on the EU Treaty (new Article 19) and on the Commission's non-discrimination package 2008, which includes a proposal for a new Directive COM(2008) 426 on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation.

Priorities in 2011 will include (i) discussing the introduction of country of birth of parents in main social surveys (LFS, SILC) in coordination with migration statistics, as a proxy measurement to the classification on ethnic origin and (ii) supporting DG EMPL in preparatory work for the implementation of a social survey on experienced discrimination.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Outcome difference indicators on equality
- Classification on ethnic origin/streamlined approach with migration statistics
- Survey/question on experienced discrimination

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	As a proxy measurement to the classification on ethnic origin, discuss introduction of country of birth of parents in main social surveys (LFS, SILC) in coordination with migration statistics	One additional variable is to be collected annually in LFS/SILC	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	2	4	-
102	Support DG EMPL in preparatory work for the implementation of a social survey on experienced discrimination	Basic documents and network ready for implementation in 2012	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	2	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
201	Outcome difference indicators on equality: update the data of the dedicated section.	Updated data on the Eurostat website			3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

## Theme 1.12 Other work in the field of demographic and social statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Gender-related statistics
- Reconciliation of work and family life
- Strategy for modernisation of social statistics, including a possible (MEETS-like) programme
- Youth statistics

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Implementation of the strategy for modernisation of social statistics	Launch of actions set out in the strategic paper, including a Commission proposal for an EP & Council Decision on the proposed programme	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	1	2	-
102	Collaboration with DG Education and Culture DG in preparing the "2012 Youth report" to the Council	Statistics and indicators included in the "2012 Youth report" to the Council	2	Title XI-Social policy, education	2	2	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Process and disseminate the results of the 2010 LFS <i>ad hoc</i> module on reconciliation between work and family life	Microdata sets ready; first publications on results	3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
202	Continue improving the dissemination of gender-related information across all domains	Comprehensive and topical data on gender made available in a user-friendly environment	3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
203	Methodological development of indicators on youth	Proposal for indicators to be included in the future report to the Council	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
204	Improve dissemination of data on young people	Comprehensive data on youth made available in a user-friendly environment	3	Title XI-Social policy, education	-
205	Continue implementation of the core variables in social surveys	Update of the manual - progress report	1	Title XI-Social policy, education	-

## DOMAIN 2 — MACROECONOMIC STATISTICS

### Theme 2.01 Annual economic accounts

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Annual national accounts - main aggregates
- Productivity and growth analysis
- Annual non-financial Sector Accounts (ASA)
- Annual financial accounts (AFA)
- Pensions

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Implementation of NACE Rev 2	NACE Rev 2 implemented in national accounts in September 2011	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	3	2	-
102	Implementation of the revised ESA Transmission Programme	Preparatory actions (manuals, dedicated actions in Member States) in view of the implementation in 2014 (grants, etc)	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	2	-
103	Matching sector accounts with household survey data (linked to recommendation 16 of the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Commission)	Test data on the distribution (in fractiles) of household income according to the National Accounts definitions	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	3	2	-
104	Harmonised revision policy - national accounts and balance of payments	Preparatory steps	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	3	4	-
105	EU productions systems in national accounts - exploratory analysis	Work started on possible follow-up of the Commission Communication on EU production systems in national accounts – data warehouses, European GDP	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Ensure complete and timely availability of national accounts data, ensure production and dissemination of EU/EA accounts data	National accounts data of Member States and EU/EA produced according to ESA95 principles, validated and disseminated.	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
	Ensure complete and timely availability of supply, use and symmetric input-output tables; improve quality of data with a view to consistency among the tables and with corresponding national accounts data	Supply, use and input-output table data of Member States produced according to ESA95 principles, validated and disseminated. EU/EA tables estimated and disseminated			
	Ensure complete and timely availability of regional accounts data	Regional accounts data of Member States and EU/EA produced according to ESA95 principles, validated and disseminated			

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
202	Validate publish, in European System of Accounts (ESA) format: - the annual non-financial sector accounts of the Member States; - the annual financial sector accounts and balance sheets of the Member States;  Harmonise annual non-financial sector accounts data: cross-country comparisons of key indicators and documentation of Member States' practices in the field of household sector delineation.	Balanced annual sector accounts and financial balance sheets of the Member States published on ESTAT website up to and including year 2010.  Detection of implausible household saving rates. Survey of Member States' practices in the field of household sector delineation.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
203	Pursue work on the revision of ESA 95 in relation to discussion, finalisation and adoption of the new ESA Regulation by the Council and the European Parliament	Discussion and follow-up of the Commission proposal for a new ESA Regulation at Council and European Parliament	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
204	Assess quality of implementation of ESA 95, including, in particular, improved price and volume measures in national accounts, development of satellite accounts and supplementary tables, assessment of FISIM (Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured), preparing the implementation of the new ESA methodology etc. and drawing conclusions for future work.	Improved price and volume measures in national accounts, R&D satellite accounts, supplementary tables, preparatory actions for the implementation of the new ESA, etc.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
205	Prepare and test revised ESA pensions recording (through the Pensions Contact Group)	Organisation of the electronic group; questionnaire on pensions; internal report on the results and main issues raised.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
206	Productivity and growth accounting (EU KLEMS - EU level analysis of capital (K), labour (L), energy (E), materials (M) and service (S) inputs on a detailed activity level)	Progress towards the ESS EU KLEMS database	2	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
207	National accounts production system (NAPS)	Progress towards an integrated system of production databases for national accounts in Eurostat	2	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
208	Pursue discussions on the SNA at international level as required, including the research agenda and implementation aspects	Contribution to the advancement of the SNA research agenda and to the successful implementation of the new SNA	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
NAPS	Increased efficiency of the current production system
Explanatory analysis of NA production system	Study to explore new and alternative ways of compiling National Accounts data

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	2223/96	25.6.1996	L 310	30.11.1996	European system of national and regional accounts (ESA95)
Council Regulation	448/98	16.2.1998	L 58	27. 2.1998	Concerning the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM)

## Theme 2.02 Quarterly accounts

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Quarterly national accounts
- Quarterly non-financial sector accounts (QSA)



## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Implement NACE Rev 2	NACE Rev 2 implemented in National Accounts in September 2011	2	General objectives	3	2	-
102	GDP flash estimates at T+30 days - feasibility study and testing period	First results of the testing period	3	General objectives	2	2	-
103	Implement the revised ESA and the revised ESA transmission programme	Starting of preparatory actions in view of the implementation in 2014 (grants)	1	General objectives	2	2	-
104	Compile a QSA flash estimate based on Member States transmissions at t+90 days to be available well ahead of the final publication at t+120 days	Test compilation of QSA "flash" euro area accounts to be available at around t+95 days	2	General objectives	2	4	-
105	Extend the content and relevance of statistics derived from quarterly sector accounts	Extension of the set of key indicators by country. Publication of a quarterly decomposition of EA nominal growth according to a mixed expenditure / income approach.	3	General objectives	3	4	-
106	Improve quality aspects of quarterly national accounts	Countries' results in relation to specific improvement actions	2	General objectives	2	4	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Ensure complete and timely availability of quarterly national accounts data, ensure production and dissemination of EU/EA quarterly accounts data	Quarterly national accounts data of Member States and EU/EA produced according to ESA95 principles, validated and disseminated.	2	General objectives	-
202	Quarterly compilation and publication of euro area and EU sector accounts including derived charts, tables, news releases and the publication of key indicators by country.	Eight news releases published: one for the household sector and one for non-financial corporations every quarter. About 30 charts and tables, covering all sectors of the economy, updated and loaded on ESTAT website. Quarterly updates of key indicators by country covering income, investment and spending of households and non-financial corporations.	2	General objectives	-
203	Eight news releases published: one for the household sector and one for non-financial corporations every quarter. About 30 charts and tables, covering all sectors of the economy, updated and loaded on ESTAT website. Harmonisation of quarterly non-financial sector accounts data: cross-country comparisons of key variables, documentation of sources and methods and selection of best practices.	Quarterly update of key charts and variables for checking by national compilers. Identification of best practices in the field of quarterly sector accounts compilation	1	General objectives	-
204	Continue work to improve timeliness and availability of key short-term national accounts indicators for monitoring the statistical consequences of the financial and economic crisis – in particular flash estimates of GDP and employment	Improved availability of key short-term national accounts indicators (such as GDP and employment)	2	General objectives	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	1221/2002	10.6.2002	L 179	9.7.2002	On quarterly non-financial accounts for general government
EP and Council Regulation	1161/2005	6.7.2005	L 191	22.7.2005	Compilation of quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector
EP and Council Regulation	1392/2007	13.11.2007	L 324	10.12.2007	Amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the transmission of national accounts data

## Theme 2.03 Monetary and financial statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Monetary and financial indicators

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Receive, process, validate and publish monetary and financial indicators	Eurobase update	3	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
202	Publish statistics in focus on selected topics and other publications	Statistics in focus and other publications	3	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
203	Discuss selected methodological issues with countries and other data providers	Common methodology	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-

### 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

#### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Data on state aid collected by DG Competition
- Data on public procurement collected by DG Internal Market and Services

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	2223/96	25.6.1996	L 310	30.11.1996	European system of national and regional accounts (ESA95)

## Theme 2.04 Government finance statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Assessment of debt and deficit data in the context of the Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP)
- Annual non-financial government accounts (AGOV)
- Quarterly government accounts (QGOV)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Revised Commission Regulation 479/2009	In-depth missions to identified Member States Mission reports	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	2	-
102	Extend geographical coverage of data collection for annual non-financial general government accounts (AGOV) to include candidate countries	Publication of data for the candidate countries Turkey and Croatia.	2	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	3	4	-
103	Develop metadata and quality indicators for annual non-financial general government accounts (AGOV)	Release of updated metadata for main aggregates of general government, detailed taxes and social contribution receipts and general government expenditure.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
104	Possible increase of derived indicators for annual non-financial general government accounts (AGOV) in order to improve the meaningfulness of source data.	Additional indicators on government revenue and/or expenditure	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Carry out bi-annual assessment of debt and deficit data of Member States, and provide these data	New Cronos update Press release	0	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
202	Discuss selected methodological issues with Member States and provide bilateral advice	Eurostat decisions Letter to Member State with ex-ante/ex-post advice	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
203	Carry out statistical assessment of Candidate Countries	Report to DG Economic and Financial Affairs	0	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
204	Develop inventories of sources and methods for deficit and debt statistics	Published inventories	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
205	Carry out regular EDP dialogue missions to Member States	Mission reports	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
206	Complete the production and publication of detailed (COFOG -Classification of the Functions of Government - level II) data for government expenditure by function	Enlarge the number of countries transmitting and disseminating the data	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
207	Compilation, validation and final publication of annual non-financial general government accounts (AGOV) of the Member States plus Norway, Iceland and Switzerland. Data are received in the framework of the ESA95 Transmission Programme under: - table 2: Main aggregates of general government; - table 9: Detailed tax and social contribution receipts by type of tax and social contribution and receiving sub-sector + detailed list of taxes and social contributions according to national classification of taxes and social contributions (National Tax List/ NTL); - table 11: General government expenditure by COFOG functions.	- New Cronos update. - Government finance statistics updates (GFS tables) two times a year based on an integrated presentation covering government revenue, expenditure, deficit, transactions in assets, transactions in liabilities, other economic flows, and balance sheets. - Contribution to the annual updating of the Eurostat/Taxation and Customs Union DG publication "Taxation trends in the European Union". This report contains a detailed statistical and economic analysis of the tax systems of the Member States of the European Union plus Norway and Iceland. - Production of two Statistics in Focus related on detailed taxes and social contributions receipts and on general government expenditure by COFOG functions. - Contributions to the publication European Economic Statistics (EES) and Eurostat Yearbook for the part related to government finance in particular for the analysis on government revenue and expenditure.	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
208	Quarterly compilation and publication of quarterly government finance statistics data (QGOV: quarterly financial and non-financial accounts and quarterly debt data of government - ESA tables 25, 27 and 28)	- Quarterly update of integrated tables that cover government revenue and expenditure, deficit, transactions in financial assets and liabilities, other economic flows and financial balance sheets. - Production of a Statistics in Focus on quarterly government accounts. - Non-financial accounts data are also used as an important input for the compilation of Quarterly Sector Accounts (QSA) for the EU27 and the Euro Area (9 additional variables are compiled mainly for QSA).	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
209	Assess the actual data reported by Member States as regards compliance with accounting rules, completeness, reliability, timeliness and consistency of the data	Report to the European Parliament and to the Council on the quality of the actual data reported by Member States	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Development of tools to aid Member States' validation before data transmission	Reduced errors to be corrected with new transmissions

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or Community Agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- DG TAXUD classifies tax revenues by economic function and calculates breakdown and implicit tax rates on consumption, labour, capital and environment.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	2223/96	25.6.1996	L 310	30.11.1996	European system of national and regional accounts (ESA95)
EP and Council Regulation	1221/2002	10.6.2002	L 179	9.7.2002	Quarterly non-financial accounts for general government
EP and Council Regulation	201/2004	10.03.2004	L 81	19.3.2004	Quarterly financial accounts for general government
Council Regulation	1222/2004	28.6.2004	L 233	2.7.2004	Compilation and transmission of data on the quarterly government debt
Council Regulation	479/2009	25.5.2009	L 145	10.6.2009	Application of the Protocol on the excessive deficit procedure annexed to the Treaty establishing the European Community

## Theme 2.05 Monitoring own resources

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Annual national accounts data of Gross National Income (GNI) and Gross National Product (GNP)
- Verification of the GNI/GNP data transmitted each year by Member States
- Verification of Member States' inventories of statistical sources and methods used to calculate GNI/GNP
- Verification, in cooperation with DG Budget, of the figures and calculations included in Member States' VAT statements

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Finalise assessment reports on new EU-15 inventories of sources and methods for compiling GNI	Assessment reports on the GNI sources and methods of the EU-15	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
202	Finalise assessment reports on EU-10 inventories of sources and methods for compiling GNI	Assessment reports on the GNI sources and methods of the EU-10	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
203	Finalise analysis and assessment reports on EU-2 inventories of sources and methods for compiling GNI	Assessment reports on the GNI sources and methods of the EU-2	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
204	Carry out GNI missions in the Member States including direct verification as required	Mission reports on the GNI sources and methods of Member States	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
205	Pursue work on the development of guidelines on supervisory and control systems for national accounts in the Member States	Guidelines on supervisory and control systems for national accounts in the Member States	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
206	Verify declarations for VAT-based resources for about 12 countries (chosen by DG BUDG)	Reports on VAT controls of these countries	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	1553/89	29.5.1989	L 155	7.6.1989	Definitive uniform arrangements for the collection of own resources accruing from VAT
Council Directive	89/130	13.2.1989	L 49	21.2.1989	Harmonisation of the compilation of gross national product at market prices
Council Regulation	1287/2003	15.7.2003	L 181	19.7.2003	On the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (GNI Regulation)
Council Decision	2010/196/EU	16.3.2010	L 87	7.4.2010	On the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) for the establishment of the gross national income (GNI) used for the purposes of the European Union's budget and its own resources

## Theme 2.06 Prices

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Production and development of Harmonised Indices of Consumer Prices (HICPs)
- Production and development of Purchasing Power Parities (PPPs)
- Development of house price indices/ prices for owner-occupied housing
- Development of detailed multi-purpose consumer price statistics
- Calculation of Correction Coefficients and Salary Adjustment for EU Staff
- Development and production of information on Pension for EU Staff

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Develop the Health output approach for PPP for all EU Member States	Methodology and first results	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	2	4	-
102	Update PPP Manual	Methodology	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Produce, quality-check and further develop HICP monthly data and HICP flash estimates including the production and necessary further development of HICP at constant tax rates and HICP administered prices	Monthly HICP release and high quality flash estimates and preparation of implementing regulation on HICP at constant tax rate	2	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
202	Owner Occupied Housing (OOH) and dwelling price indices	Continuation of the pilot Owner Occupied Housing (OOH) project, and preparation of implementing regulation.	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
203	Development of detailed information on prices	Undertake further research into best methods for collecting and disseminating detailed multi-purpose consumer prices data including to further develop the European food prices monitoring tool	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
204	Develop and follow up the implementation of standards on quality adjustment and sampling and weighting	New standards/regulation on quality adjustment and sampling and follow-up of compliance with existing standards to further improve the quality of the HICPs.	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
205	Extend HICP communications to promote the HICP	Deliver a range of communications initiatives such as an improved website and more comprehensive metadata.	3	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
206	Monitor the compliance of national indices with HICP standards with follow-up as required	Compliance reports and improved compliance in the Member States	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
207	Carry out PPP surveys and compute 2010 PPP	2010 PPP	2	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
208	Compute Correction Coefficients and annual adjustment for Staff	Commission Report on Annual Adjustment	2	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
209	Develop and produce information on pension contribution rate, pension expenditure forecast, pension liability and health liability.	Commission Reports on pensions and information required by the accounting rules of the EU Budget	2	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-
210	Implementing Regulation for PPP and PPP Inventories of Member States' methods	Implementing Regulation for PPP and PPP inventories	1	Title VII-Eco. & monetary policy	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	2494/95	23.10.1995	L 257	27.10.1995	Concerning harmonised indices of consumer prices
Council Regulation	723/2004	22.4.2004	L 124	27.4.2004	Amending the Staff Regulations of officials of the European Communities and the Conditions of Employment of other servants of the European Communities
Council Regulation	1083/2006	11.7.2006	L 210	31.7.2006	Laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/99
EP and Council Regulation	1445/2007	11.12.2007	L 336	20.12.2007	Establishing common rules for the provision of basic information on Purchasing Power Parities and for their calculation and dissemination
Council Regulation	1084/2006	11.7.2006	L 210	31.7.2006	Establishing a Cohesion Fund

## Theme 2.07 Trade in goods

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Production and dissemination of external trade statistics
- Quality assurance in trade statistics
- Co-ordination, drafting, adjustment and maintenance of legislation in the field of statistics on trade in goods with Member States (Intrastat) and non-Member States (Extrastat)
- Co-ordination of initiatives on burden reduction in the field of external trade statistics

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Further analysis concerning the consistency between trade in goods statistics and balance of payments statistics in order to move closer to more integrated statistical systems.	Recommendations on how to enhance consistency between both systems.	1	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	2	1	-
102	Implementation of the new Intrastat and Extrastat legal requirements and provision of methodological support. Assessment of the impact of the implementation of the amended Intrastat regulation on the statistical response burden	The regulations are fully implemented by Member States. Quantification of the response burden for 2009 and 2010, and recommendations for further burden reductions, including the reconsideration of a single flow reporting system.	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Publish each month the main Intra and Extra EU and euro area aggregates via the Press releases (on average 46 days after the month of reference) and more detailed Intra and Extra trade statistics via Bulletins. Publish the Annual Yearbook and at least four Statistics in Focus during the year.	Published data	3	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
202	Make available in the Comext database monthly detailed data and metadata (raw data, seasonally adjusted data, unit value indices, qualitative information, classifications and relations among them, methodological comments) from the 27 Member States, EFTA, from co-operation programmes and data from third countries and international organisations. Recent evolution of nomenclatures (SITC – Standard Industrial Trade Classification, BEC – Broad Economic Categories, CPA - Statistical Classification of Products by Activity in the European Economic Union, NSTR - Standard Goods Classification for Transport Statistics) and new related data derivation will be taken into account. An expanded range of services to data users (simplified/advanced and on-line/Web unified interfaces; new functionalities and improved support for users) will be provided in Comext.	Data available in Comext and services provided to users	3	Title IX- Common commercial policy	-
203	Consolidate and improve the data process according to the new Extrastat and amended Intrastat regulations adopted in 2009.	Data production according to new regulations	2	Title IX- Common commercial policy	-
204	Update methodological documentation. Further develop the implementation guidelines for the new pieces of legislation. Participate in the revision of concepts and definitions of external trade statistics at the level of the United Nations	Guidelines finalised and brought in line as much as possible with United Nations' practice	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
205	Develop proposals in the framework of cooperation programmes. Follow-up the implementation of the current programmes (e.g. the Instrument of Pre-accession Activities - IPA)	Cooperation programmes developed and implemented.	0	Title IX- Common commercial policy	-
206	Modernise validation tools and methods at Eurostat and in Member States	Improved validation procedures shared between Eurostat and Member States.	2	Title IX- Common commercial policy	-
207	Collect and disseminate first annual data on trade by enterprise characteristics, required by the revised Regulations. Further develop methodological guidelines	Data collection and publication performed.	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
208	Prepare individual assessment reports on each Member State and an annual summary quality report. Further develop guidelines for methods and practices affecting quality. Continue actions to decrease asymmetries in intra-EU trade statistics. Analyse and report on the quality of detailed data with the help of various monitoring reports.	Assessment reports and summary quality reports prepared and published.	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
209	Ensure the maintenance of the Eurotrace package, organisation of course	Eurotrace running satisfactorily, training courses organised.	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
210	In the framework of the MEETS programme which runs until 2013, continue financing studies on the simplification of Intrastat, on linking trade and other business statistics and on the implementation of new Extrastat legislation in the Member States.	Study reports prepared by Member States or contractors providing inputs for future simplification of both Intrastat and Extrastat.	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
211	Consolidate the use and further implementation of XT-NET ASSIST application by Member States and possibly by main providers of statistical information (PSIs).	Application implemented.	1	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Action 103	Difficult to quantify at present as the reduction is largely dependent on the implementation by the Member States
Action 206	Data will be pre-validated by Member States before being sent to Eurostat. Less data transmitted, better accuracy and quality
Action 210	Further automation of electronic data collection, better use of administrative data



### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	222/2009	11.3.2009	L 87	31.3.2009	Amending Regulation 638/2004 on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States
EP and Council Decision	1297/2008	16.12.2008	L 340	19.12.2008	On a Programme for the Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade Statistics (MEETS)
EP and Council Regulation	471/2009	6.5.2009	L 152	16.6.2009	On Community statistics relating to external trade with non-member countries

## Theme 2.08 Trade in services and balance of payments

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Balance of payments (BoP): Methodology, Meetings
- Quarterly balance of payments
- Foreign direct investment (FDI)
- International trade in services
- Balance of payments of the EU institutions
- Balance of payments and related statistics: Enlargement

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Amendment to BoP Regulation 184/2005, as required for implementing new reference manuals	Approval of the new BoP regulation	1	Title IX- Common commercial policy	3	4	-
102	Implementation of the revised BoP Quality Report	More comprehensive assessment of the quality of national data	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	1	4	-
103	Survey of Balance Of Payments/Rest Of The World Differences	Increased consistency between BoP and National Accounts data	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	3	4	-
104	Projects targeted at increasing consistency between BoP and other statistical domains (travel, transport, goods)	Identification of possible actions that would enhance consistency between different statistical domains. Drafting of recommendations.	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-
105	Investigate possibilities for alignment/integration of the data collections goods and services	Conclusions on how to enhance consistency between the two data sets.	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-
106	Preparatory work related to the implementation of the new Balance of Payments Manual (BPM6) and the new Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment (BD4)	Workshops, seminars, documents, guidelines	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Collection and validation of data related to Balance of Payments, International Trade in Services, Remittances, Foreign Direct Investment	Validation and harmonisation of BoP data	2	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
202	Dissemination of data and maintenance of metadata	Timely dissemination of high quality BoP data	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-



Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
203	Treatment of the EU Institutions accounting data for the production of BoP of the EU Institutions	Conversion of administrative data in BoP statistics	2	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
204	Regular dissemination of BoP data of EU institutions (EUI) and maintenance of metadata	Timely dissemination of high quality BoP EUI data. Provision of the data to colleagues in National Accounts	3	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
205	Pre-filling of the quality reports and assessment of the quality of national BoP data	Assessment of the quality of national BoP data	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
206	Methodological assistance and guidance to the Member States	Improvement of the quality and harmonisation of BoP data of different Member States	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
207	Guarantee the functioning of the BoP Committee including all necessary comitology procedures.	Committee documents, decisions, strategic guidance, regulations.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
208	Organise Working Groups and Task Force meetings	Facilitate exchange of experiences and good practices and provide guidelines useful for harmonising national practices.	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
209	Guarantee smooth functioning of the FDI Network that allows for the exchange of FDI microdata (Joint initiative -Eurostat/ECB DG Statistics)	Exchange of microdata among Member States	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-
210	Define the new reporting requirements for BoP and FDI, necessary for implementing BPM6 and BD4. Consultations with the Member States and the ECB.	Agreement on the new reporting requirements that shall be included in a revised BoP Regulation	1	Title VII-Economic and monetary policy	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
102 New BoP Quality Report	Simplification of process and IT tools and reduction of the frequency

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	184/2005	12.1.2005	L 35	8.2.2005	On Community statistics concerning balance of payments, international trade in services and foreign direct investment
Council Decision	2006/856	13.11.2006	L 332	30.11.2006	Establishing a Committee on monetary, financial and balance of payments statistics (codified version)
EP and Council Regulation	716/2007	20.6.2007	L 171	29.6.2007	On Community statistics on the structure and activity of foreign affiliates
EP and Council Decision	1297/2008	16.12.2008	L 340	19.12.2008	On a programme for the Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade Statistics (MEETS)

## DOMAIN 3 — BUSINESS STATISTICS

### Theme 3.01 Annual business statistics

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Industrial production statistics (Prodcom)
- Structural Business Statistics (SBS)
- Statistics on Foreign Affiliates (FATS)
- Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade Statistics (MEETS)

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Launch a project to develop indicators on global value chains, as a follow-up of the international sourcing survey and related data linking (subject to approval by the business statistics directors/ESSC)	Development of the methodology for the survey and data linking	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	3	1	-
102	Implement Council and EP Decision 1297/2008 (MEETS), implement the Commission Decision on the financing for 2011	Achieve sound programme and financial management of the MEETS programme	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	3	2	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Implement Council and EP Decision 1297/2008 (MEETS), implement the Commission Decision on the financing for 2010	Achieve sound programme and financial management of the MEETS programme	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
202	Ensure the implementation of Regulation No 295/2008 on SBS and Commission Regulation 97/2009 on the first implementation of the flexible module. Process and disseminate the collected data.	SBS data for 2009 disseminated according to schedule. Data gained from the first use of the flexible module disseminated.	2	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
203	Process and disseminate 2010 Prodcom data according to the Prodcom Regulation. Promote harmonisation of national methodologies for Prodcom.	Improved harmonisation of Prodcom data, data for 2010 ready for dissemination.	2	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
204	Ensure the implementation of Regulation No 716/2007 on FATS. Process and disseminate the collected data.	FATS data for 2008 disseminated.	3	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
205	Set up the 2012 Prodcom list	Adoption of the 2012 Prodcom list	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
206	Ensure continued quality improvement of Prodcom, SBS and FATS data.	Quality reports processed and analysed and necessary follow-up actions taken.	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
207	Analyse the results of the pilot actions in the framework of the SBS Regulation and the FATS Regulation and plan the further application of the flexible module of the SBS Regulation. If pilot actions prove the feasibility of the data collection, proceed with the necessary measures for the implementation.	Conclusions regarding the feasibility of the data collections will be available from the pilot studies. A plan for the second application of the flexible module developed.	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
208	Contribute to the entrepreneurship indicator programme. Ensure adoption of Commission Regulations implementing Regulation (EC) 295/2008 and amending Commission Regulations 250/2009 and 251/2009 to integrate employer business demography statistics and high growth enterprises	Improved and more comparable indicators with regard to entrepreneurship disseminated. Draft Commission Regulations ready for adoption in 2012	3	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
209	Prepare the report to the European Parliament and Council on the implementation of Regulation 295/2008 on SBS	The report prepared and presented to the European Parliament and the Council	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
210	Finalise the project on linking of microdata on international sourcing.	Disseminate the data gained from the project.	3	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Implement Council and EP Decision 1297/2008 (MEETS)	The MEETS programme aims to achieve four objectives: reviewing priorities and developing new indicators, creating a streamlined framework for business statistics, supporting the introduction of a more efficient way of collecting data, i.e. through the use of administrative data and electronic data exchange and, finally, modernising and simplifying statistics on trade in goods between Member States (Intrastat).

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	3924/91	19.12.1991	L 374	31.12.1991	Establishment of a Community survey of industrial production
EP and Council Regulation	295/2008	11.3.2008	L 97	9.4.2008	Concerning Structural Business Statistics
EP and Council Regulation	716/2007	20.6.2007	L 171	29.6.2007	Community statistics on the structure and activity of foreign affiliates
EP and Council Decision	1297/2008	16.12.2008	L 340	19.12.2008	On a programme for the Modernisation of European Enterprise and Trade Statistics (MEETS)

## Theme 3.02 Short-term business statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Production of short-term business statistics (STS) for industry, construction, retail trade and other services
- Consolidation and improvement of quality

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Assess the short-term statistics compiled, in particular their relevance and quality as well as the revision of indicators; specifically address the cost of the statistical system and the burden on business in relation to its benefits; report on best practices for lessening the burden on business and indicate ways of reducing the burden and costs	Report to European Parliament and to the Council	0	-	2	4	N

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Timely production of existing indicators and their publication	60 News releases, 6 Statistics in focus, 4 Quarterly Panorama of European Business and continuous update of Eurostat's website.	2	Title VII-Economic & monetary policy	-
202	Investigate and improve the reliability, accuracy and comparability of STS indicators	Convergence of Member States on best practices in compiling STS indicators.	2	Title VII-Economic & monetary policy	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
STS is an active participant in the MEETS programme (see theme 3.01)	Sharing and developing best practices to reduce form-filling burden on enterprises. It is impossible to quantify the amount (%) of reduction in advance.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	1165/98	19.5.1998	L 162	5.6.1998	Short-term statistics

## Theme 3.03 Energy

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Collection/Dissemination of short-term and structural information on energy systems and electricity and gas prices; preparation of energy balance sheets
- Evaluation of various Commission energy policies (Renewable Energy Sources, Energy Dependency, Energy Efficiency, Combined Heat and Power)
- Contribution to the monitoring of security of supply (oil stockholding obligation)
- Contribution to the monitoring of Carbon Dioxide emission inventories
- Contribution to the development of the Energy Statistics System in the EU and Candidate Countries

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Update the Energy Statistics Regulation (ESR) to respond to the reporting requirements of the Council Directive on "Oil Stocks"	Updated Regulation using comitology procedure	1	General objectives	2	1	-
102	Methodology and collection of statistics on ambient energy according to the Energy Statistics Regulation and Renewable Energies Directive	(a) Methodology (b) Improved coverage of ambient heat	1	General objectives	3	1	-
103	Methodology and collection of statistics on sustainable biofuels according to the Energy Statistics Regulation and Renewable Energies Directive	(a) Methodology (b) Improved coverage of sustainable biofuels	1	Title XVI-Industry-Energy	3	1	-
104	Develop a manual on EU best practices in Energy Consumption in Households - ESSnet activity	Manual on EU best practices	1	General objectives	2	1	-
105	Energy Consumption in Services; develop an approach for reviewing present data collection systems across the EU and a methodology for the compilation of relevant statistics (as stipulated in the Energy Statistics Regulation)	Only preparatory work (a) Review questionnaire, (b) Recommended survey coverage / approach	1	Title XVI-Industry-Energy	3	1	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Implement the Energy Statistics Regulation (ESR) 1099/2008; collect and disseminate annual and monthly statistics on energy commodities	Dissemination of monthly and annual energy statistics (reference environment update and publication of the 2009 energy balance sheets)	2	Title XVI-Industry-Energy	-
202	Implement the Price Transparency Directive 2008/92; collect and disseminate electricity and gas prices	Dissemination of price statistics biannually (reference environment update)	2	General objectives	-
203	Monitoring and reporting on specific EU energy policies (Renewable Energy Sources, Energy Dependency, Energy Efficiency, Combined Heat and Power, Competition in network energy industries)	Reporting on specific EU policies in the form of publications and reports, using appropriate indicators	3	General objectives	-
204	Upgrade of the informatics infrastructure, enhancing integration with national production systems.	Maintenance/Development of informatics tools (including web-based validation and renewable energies and oil-stocks reporting tools)	0	General objectives	-
205	Use of short term statistics collected under the Energy Statistics Regulation and other short term information available at national level, to provide early estimates of Carbon Dioxide emissions inventory.	A feasibility study evaluating completeness and accuracy of short term statistics and / or other early estimates of the supply of fossil fuels in making available early estimates of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions.	1	Title XVI-Industry-Energy	-
206	Implementation of pilot surveys on "energy consumption in households", in response to energy efficiency/ renewable energy policies and ESR requirement	Statistics on energy consumption in households (improved coverage)	2	Title XVI-Industry-Energy	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Methodology and collection of statistics on ambient energy according to the Energy Statistics Regulation and Renewable Energies Directive	Reporting tool (SHARES TOOL) to estimate the share of renewable energy sources (mandatory target according to Directive 2009/28) based on reported statistics according to Regulation 1099/2008 ensuring coherence and reduced production costs for NSIs
Update the Energy Statistics Regulation to respond to the reporting requirements of the Council Directive on "Oil Stocks"	Streamlining of the reporting requirements of the Council Directive 2009/119 to align the existing reporting of Member States to the International Energy Agency (IEA), minimising reporting burden

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Data collection of DG for Energy, based on Commission Decision 1999/566/EC, regarding a European Union procedure for information and consultation on crude oil supply costs and the consumer prices of petroleum products
- Data collection of DG for Energy, based on the Council Directive 2006/67/EC, imposing an obligation on Member States to maintain minimum stocks of crude oil and/or petroleum products;

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Commission Decision	2007/394	7.6.2007	L 148	9.6.2007	Amending Council Directive 90/377/EEC with regard to the methodology to be applied for the collection of gas and electricity prices charged to end-users
EP and Council Directive	2001/77	27.9.2001	L 283	27.10.2001	Promotion of electricity produced from renewable energy sources in the internal electricity market
EP and Council Directive	2003/30	8.5.2003	L 123	17.5.2003	Promotion of the use of biofuels or other renewable fuels for transport
EP and Council Directive	2004/8	11.2.2004	L 52	12.2.2004	Promotion of cogeneration based on a useful heat demand in the internal energy market and amending Directive 92/42/EEC
EP and Council Directive	2006/32	5.4.2006	L 114	27.4.2006	Energy end-use efficiency and energy services and repealing Council Directive 93/76/EEC
EP and Council Regulation	1099/2008	22.10.2008	L 304	14.11.2008	Energy statistics
EP and Council Directive	2009/28	23.4.2009	L 140	5.6.2009	On the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directive 2001/77
Council Decision	1999/296	26.4.1999	L 117	5.5.1999	For a monitoring mechanism of Community CO <sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gas emissions

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Decision	93/389	24.5.1993	L 167	9.7.1993	For a monitoring mechanism of Community CO <sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse emissions
EP and Council Directive	2008/92	22.10.2008	L 298	7.11.2008	Concerning a Community procedure to improve the transparency of gas and electricity prices charged to industrial end-users
Council Directive	2009/119	14.9.2009	L 265	9.10.2009	Imposing an obligation on Member States to maintain minimum stocks of crude oil and/or petroleum products

## Theme 3.04 Transport

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Commercial transport of goods and passengers in all modes where this activity is significant: road freight, rail (goods and passengers), inland waterways (goods), sea (goods and passengers), air (passengers, freight and mail), and pipelines (specific goods)
- Measurement of traffic, in particular for road vehicles
- Infrastructures and means of transport (vehicles) at national and regional level
- Enterprises and employment in the transport sector at national level
- Accidents, fatalities, injured people and release of dangerous goods in the transport sector
- Intermodal transport, congestion, logistics performance
- Impact on the environment, in particular on climate change
- Transport indicators (modal split; structural, sustainable development, globalisation, environment)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	New data collection, compilation and dissemination of transport safety data from DG MOVE and transport safety agencies	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	1	4	-
102	Feasibility study on new users' needs (for DG MOVE and EASA) in aviation statistics	Pilot studies and further methodological research	1	Title V-Transport	2	4	-
103	Feasibility study on new users' needs (for DG MOVE and Trans European Network - Transport Agency) in rail transport statistics	Pilot studies and further methodological research	1	Title V-Transport	2	4	-
104	Feasibility study on production of intermodal transport data and calculation of logistics performance indicators	Pilot studies and further methodological research	1	Title V-Transport	2	4	-
105	According to the modes, more or less advanced feasibility studies on greenhouse gases emissions	Pre-analysis, analysis, pilot experiences of the contributions to climate change by the transport sector	1	Title V-Transport	2	4	-
106	Adapt a legal act (adopted in 2006) to the Lisbon Treaty	Adoption of the Commission's proposal for EP and Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) 1365/2006 of the EP and of the Council of 6.9.2006 on statistics of goods transport by inland waterways	?	Title V-Transport	NA	NA	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Implementing the full "acquis" with a complete set of data for reference year 2010 available by December 2011, and adopting the necessary implementation measures under comitology procedure	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
202	Produce aggregated national data on transport infrastructure, means, enterprises, safety and other information complementary to the legal data collections, through the Common Questionnaire (shared with UNECE and the International Transport Forum) accessed via the Internet	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	-
203	Produce data on transport infrastructure, means and safety at regional level, based on the annual voluntary survey via the Internet and on the legal, modal data collections	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	-
204	Consolidate and further develop methodology and production for transport indicators (modal split indicators and others)	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	-
205	Update the development of the data collection on road traffic measurement with a focus on greenhouse gas emissions	Production of output tables	2	Title V-Transport	-
206	Improve the quality and diversify the dissemination of EU transport statistics in accordance with Eurostat's publication programme	Dissemination of output tables and contribution to other publication media	3	Title V-Transport	-
207	Continue implementation of the Transport Information System (TRIS) project and develop its interactions with the Member States	Optimised data management and iterations with the Member States	0	General objectives	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
In order to minimise the burden on future respondents, early resort to Task Forces, involving the most experienced Member States, necessarily sensitive to the burden on their respondents and on themselves, to prepare new developments ; cases of: aviation statistics; rail transport statistics; road traffic measurement; intermodal transport statistics and calculation of logistics performance indicators	Early optimisation of the possible future burden on respondents.
Maritime transport statistics: Task Force work on tuning and optimising the current legislation, as well as analysing opportunities offered by new technologies (e-Maritime project, centralised database on vessels)	Possible optimisations will depend on the quality of the results of the pilots.
Implementation of the transport safety project	Discontinuation by Eurostat of the data collection of annex H (safety data) in Rail EP/Council Regulation No 91/2003 of 16 December 2002, in order to eliminate the current redundancy of two data collections. The data will only be collected by the European Railways Agency in the framework of Commission Directive 2009/149/EC of 27 November 2009 amending Directive 2004/49/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards Common Safety Indicators and common methods to calculate accident costs.

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.1 NEW WORK

- DG MOVE intends to modernise and extend to non-inland modes Council Regulation 1108/70 on an accounting system for expenditure on infrastructure.

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- DG MOVE manages the CARE database on road accidents. The data are collected from the Member States in accordance with Council Decision 93/704 (see below).
- The Transport Safety Agencies (ERA - European Railways Agency, EMSA - European Maritime Safety Agency, and EASA - European Aviation Safety Agency) also collect from the Member States the safety data they need to fulfil their function (i.e. common rail safety indicators, aviation safety data as well as maritime safety and vessel movements' data).
- DG TAXUD collects data and estimates the tax revenues on mineral oils stemming from transport use. For countries which can not provide these data a methodology is developed to estimate the split based on other sources. DG TAXUD also collects data on tax rates and revenues on energy products stemming from transport, industrial/commercial and heating use.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	1108/70	4.6.1970	L 130	15.6.1970	Introducing an accounting system for expenditure on infrastructure in respect of transport by rail, road and inland waterways
Council Decision	93/704	30.11.1993	L 329	30.12.1993	Creation of a Community database on road accidents
Council Regulation	1172/98	25.5.1998	L 163	6.6.1998	Statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road



Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	437/2003	27.2.2003	L 66	11.3.2003	Statistical returns in respect of the carriage of passengers, freight and mail by air
EP and Council Regulation	91/2003	16.12.2002	L 14	21.1.2003	Rail transport statistics
EP and Council Regulation	1365/2006	6.9.2006	L 246	25.9.2006	Statistics of goods transport by inland waterways and repealing Council Directive 80/1119/EEC
EP and Council Directive	2009/42	6.5.2009	L 141	6.6.2009	On statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea

## Theme 3.05 Tourism

Tourism is an important economic activity in the EU and statistics on tourism rank amongst the highest in terms of users consulting Eurostat's website. Under the Lisbon treaty, the EU has acquired new competences in the area of tourism policy. Priorities in 2011 will include (i) realisation of the second phase of a Communication on the production method of EU statistics - engaging generic project on automated data collection, and (ii) adoption of implementing measures for the forthcoming Regulation concerning European statistics on tourism.

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Collection and dissemination of statistics on domestic and outbound tourism demand of the EU residents (tourism propensity and tourism behaviour; typically through household /visitor survey ~ social statistics). Legal basis = Council Directive 95/57/EC (adoption of a Regulation revising and updating the Directive is expected in 2011)
- Collection and dissemination of statistics on tourism supply (accommodation statistics; typically through enterprise surveys ~ business statistics) based on Council Directive 95/57/EC.
- Statistics on employment in the tourism accommodation sector (based on data from the European Labour Force Survey)
- Tourism Satellite Accounts (TSAs): projects to enhance the methodological developments and implementation in the Member States
- Indicators on sustainable and competitive tourism, using existing official statistics

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	ESSnet on automated data collection and reporting on accommodation statistics	Second phase following the 2010-2011 project (see Action 204). Expected output includes a reduction in reporting burden for the tourist accommodation sector in Europe and in collection burden for the statistical authorities.	2	Title I-Free movement of goods	2	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Produce high quality publications.	Up-to-date database and publications according to the standard quality criteria	3	General objectives	-
202	Regulation concerning European statistics on tourism (updating and revising Council Directive 95/57/EC)	Adoption by the EP and the Council foreseen early 2011 (if not 2010)	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
203	Delegated acts to implement the data transmission formats and the quality reporting for the forthcoming Regulation concerning European statistics on tourism	Adoption by the Commission foreseen in 2011 (if not 2010)	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
204	ESSnet on automated data collection and reporting on accommodation statistics	Project starts in 2010 and will run until 2011; expected output includes a reduction in reporting burden for the tourist accommodation sector in Europe and in collection burden for the statistical authorities. This is phase 1 of 2 (see also Action 101)	2	Title I-Free movement of goods	-



Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
205	Drafting of a methodological manual for tourism statistics, in close cooperation with the Member States	Methodological manual available for the Member States no later than end of June 2011 (see Action 202)	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
206	Foster the implementation of TSAs in the Member States (outside the legal framework)	Improved harmonisation and coherence of TSAs, improved availability of data for users	2	Title XVI-Industry-Tourism	-
207	Enrich the tourism statistics available through use of data from other Eurostat sources, especially as regards tourism employment or sustainability and competitiveness of tourism in Europe	Publication of indicators related to tourism employment and related to competitiveness and sustainability of tourism in Europe	1	General objectives	-
208	Improve cooperation with the relevant international organisations as well as with candidate, neighbourhood and Mediterranean countries	Improved international visibility of Eurostat tourism statistics	0	General objectives	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
ESSnet on automated data collection and reporting in accommodation statistics - see Actions 101 and 204	The project could result in a very significant reduction of the respondent and collection burden for tourist accommodation establishments and statistical authorities respectively.
Regulation concerning European statistics on tourism (updating and revising Council Directive 95/57/EC) - see Action 202	The new legal basis adds new elements to the requirements, but by abolishing some existing elements, institutionalising data collection thresholds and enabling exchange of data between countries, synergies and burden reductions can be expected.

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- DG ENTR (unit 11) is currently conducting Flash Eurobarometer surveys about tourism and might continue to do so in 2011

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Directive	95/57	23.11.1995	L 291	6.12.1995	Collection of statistical information in the field of tourism
Council Directive	2006/110	20.11.2006	L 363	20.12.2006	Adapting Directives 95/57/EC and 2001/109/EC in the field of statistics due to the accession of Bulgaria and Romania
EP and Council Regulation	295/2008	11.3.2008	L 97	9.4.2008	Concerning structural business statistics
Council Regulation	577/98	9.3.1998	L 77	14.3.1998	about the organisation of a labour force survey in the Community

## Theme 3.06 Business registers

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Business Registers (BR)
- EuroGroups Register (EGR)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Explore the possibilities for remote access of the EGR data	A strategy for implementing remote access for the EGR network is decided and its implementation has started	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	1	2	-
102	Testing of the profiling methodology by the ESSnet partners on large and complex enterprises	First experience in international profiling is carried out and taken into in the preliminary recommendations on profiling	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	1	2	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Maintain and further develop the IT architecture to manage the (EGR) and implement additional IT technology to exchange data with the EGR	The EGR produces timely results of good quality for an enlarged population	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
202	Maintain and further develop the EGR methodology	EGR processes are efficiently planned	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
203	Acquire further commercial data necessary to manage the EGR and update it through exchanges	The EGR relies on accurate data which show the relationships between constituent units of MNEs (multi-national enterprises)	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
204	Ensure the adoption of legislation on the exchange of MNE data between Eurostat and central banks	The technical aspects of the data exchange with central banks (confidentiality, security measures, transmission procedures and formats) are regulated	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
205	Develop the business model of the EGR network including the requirements at central (Eurostat) and national level	The EGR processes at national and Eurostat levels are coordinated	1	General objectives	-
206	Development of the Data Quality management of the EGR	Data quality management is established	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
207	Maintain the technical specifications in the Recommendations Manual on the basis of the Commission Regulation	Guidelines on how to implement the BR Regulation are up-to-date	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
208	Report on the implementation of the BR Regulation through the annual survey	Compliance with the BR Regulation is measurable	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
209	Integrate national central banks and the ECB in the framework of the EGR	The ECB and national central banks have a tool to improve the quality of their MNE (e.g. for FDI statistics)	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
210	Continue to develop a methodology for profiling large and complex enterprises	Profiling methodology is further advanced	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Creation of the EuroGroups Register	While creating the EGR will need an initial investment it will, when ready, make all data collection relating to globalisation more efficient and more harmonised. The Register also has the potential to reduce the response burden on multinational enterprise groups.
Maintaining national business registers	Business registers are an essential instrument for re-engineering business statistics, as they are the integrating tool for using administrative and accounting data, for micro data linking and as a sampling frame.
Developing a methodology for profiling large and complex enterprise groups	Statistical reporting obligations of enterprises belonging to a group are coordinated (avoiding double reporting and ensuring transparency concerning responsibilities, and consistent data)

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Coordination with the ECB in order to achieve a common platform for multinational enterprise groups in the financial and non-financial sector

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	177/2008	20.2.2008	L 61	5.3.2008	Establishing a common framework for business registers for statistical purposes and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 2186/93
Council Regulation	696/93	15.3.1993	L 76	30.3.1993	Statistical units for the observation and analysis of the production system in the European Community

## DOMAIN 4 — STATISTICS ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

### Theme 4.01 Agricultural statistics

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Crop product statistics
- Livestock, meat and eggs statistics
- Milk and dairy product statistics
- Supply balance sheets
- Vineyard statistics
- Fruit tree statistics

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Approval and/or implementation of the new regulation on permanent crops	Ensure the approval of the new regulation on permanent crops statistics and/or propose and/or ensure the approval of an implementation legal act or handbook for the implementation of the new regulation on permanent crops	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	2	4	-
102	Implementation of Regulation 543/2009	Adoption of the new data collection procedures by some Member States having a derogation	2	Title II-Agriculture	2	4	-
103	Implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1165/2008	Collection and compilation of monthly data on other slaughtering through a gentlemen's agreement	2	Title II-Agriculture	2	4	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Processing and validation of agricultural production statistics with public dissemination of the data within one month after the agreed transmission deadline	More efficient data handling and better data quality; increased user satisfaction	2	Title II-Agriculture	-
202	Improvement of the quality and harmonisation of the data, collection and evaluation of methodological inventories	Improvement of quality of crop and animal statistics	1	Title II-Agriculture	-
203	Preparation of publications (i.e. Pocketbook, Data in Focus (DiFs) and Statistics in Focus (SiFs))	Data analysis and dissemination	3	Title II-Agriculture	-
204	Development of IT tools for crop and animal data handling taking into account the new regulations	Migration to MDT (new production database software), new software applications (especially for VITIS and Agromet)	2	General objectives	-
205	Achievement of the implementation of the new eDAMIS web form system for data collection and pre-validation, taking into account the Member States' contributions	Simplification, integration, increased efficiency and multiplication of functions of statistical processes in Eurostat.	1	Title II-Agriculture	-
206	Bilateral cooperation with DG AGRI, following established partnership agreements	Regular update of user needs and presentation of most recent statistics in Outlook Working Group discussions (organised by DG AGRI)	0	General objectives	-
207	Bilateral and multilateral cooperation under the auspices of the Working Groups on Crop and Animal Production Statistics and cooperation with other international organisations	Elimination of possible discrepancies between data collected by several international organisations	0	General objectives	-
208	Achievement of the implementation of the new Agromet nowcasting system for data on "early estimates"	Improvement of quality of crop statistics and migration to a new SAS based software	2	Title II-Agriculture	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
With a view to reducing the burden on respondents and at the same time ensuring data quality, under the new Regulations for crop and for livestock and meat statistics, Member States may decide to use administrative sources for the compilation of this data.	Reduction of the burden on respondents
In 2011, the data collection, validation and dissemination system is expected to be further streamlined through automation of clerical operations such as data validation and the possible replacement of FAME (production database) by a more efficient system.	Simplification, integration, increased efficiency and multiplication of functionalities of statistical processes in Eurostat.
The launch of a reflection on the simplification of agricultural statistics has been proposed to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics in November 2010. This work will be carried out with Member States during 2011.	

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Decision	98/582	6.10.1998	L 281	17.10.1998	Statistical surveys of milk and milk products
Council Directive	96/16	19.3.1996	L 78	28.3.1996	Statistical surveys of milk and milk products
Council Directive	97/77	16.12.1997	L 10	16.1.1998	Statistical surveys to be carried out on pig, bovine animal and sheep and goat production
Council Regulation	154/75	21.1.1975	L 19	24.1.1975	Establishment of a register of olive cultivation in the Member States producing olive oil
Council Regulation	357/79	5.2.1979	L 54	5.3.1979	Statistical surveys of areas under vines
EP and Council Directive	2001/109	19.12.2001	L 13	16.1.2002	Statistical surveys to be carried out by the Member States in order to determine the production of plantations of certain species of fruit trees
EP and Council Regulation	1165/2008	19.11.2008	L 321	1.12.2008	Livestock and meat statistics and repealing Council Directives 93/23, 93/24 and 93/25
EP and Council Regulation	543/2009	18.6.2009	L 167	29.6.2009	Concerning crop statistics
Council Regulation	78/2008	21.1.2008	L 25	31.1.2008	On the measures to be undertaken by the Commission in 2008-2013 making use of the remote-sensing applications developed within the framework of the common agricultural policy
Council Regulation	1234/2007	22.10.2007	L 299	16.11.2007	Establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products
Council Regulation	959/93	5.4.1993	L 98	24.4.1998	Concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals
Council Regulation	837/90	26.3.1990	L 88	3.4.1990	Concerning statistical information to be supplied by the Member States on cereals production
Council Regulation	479/2008	29.4.2008	L 148	6.6.2008	On the common organisation of the market in wine

## Theme 4.02 Agricultural structures

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Farm structure statistics play a key role in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). This role is likely to increase over time with enlargement and CAP reform (shift from product to producer support - environmental compliance - rural development).
- The Farm Structure Survey (FSS) is covered by a basic Regulation (EC) N° 1166/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council
- Farm Structure Surveys - censuses every ten years (i.e. 2009/2010) and at least two intermediate sample surveys in between (i.e. 2013 and 2016) - are the backbone of the agricultural statistical system.
- The Survey on Agricultural Production Methods (SAPM) launched in 2009/2010 is also based on the Regulation (EC) No 1166/2008.
- The concerned surveys serve the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) through provision of micro-data (farm level) on the agricultural labour force, land use, livestock, equipment and non-agricultural activities and they are the statistical basis for collection of information on land use, livestock and agricultural income.
- The farm typology processed on the FSS is the key used in the farm accountancy data network.
- The Common Agricultural Policy has evolved significantly over the last years, but further changes are necessary in order to respond to new challenges, notably the rising concerns regarding food security, the sustainable management of natural resources, mitigation of and adaptation to climate change, increasing volatility of agricultural prices, the diversity and further development of farm structures and production systems and the strengthening of territorial and social cohesion. By responding to these challenges, the CAP will contribute to the Europa 2020 Strategy in terms of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth. A solid statistical base is essential for policy design and impact assessment of reform proposals, the implementation of the policy and its monitoring and evaluation.

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Validate Standard Output 2007 coefficients from the countries.	Standard Output Coefficients available in Eurostat's database and published in NewCronos	2	Title II- Agriculture	2	2	-
102	Disseminate the results of the Farm Structure Surveys and respond to specific information requests from Commission departments and other interested parties.	Publications and statistical tables according to information needs	2	Title II- Agriculture	2	2	-
104	Set up of discussions with stakeholders on new approaches for further (post 2013) farm structure surveys	Elaboration of draft legal text	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	2	AGRI

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Agricultural Census carried out in all Member States in 2010 except ES, EL, PT (launched in 2009); Survey on Agricultural Production Methods (SAPM)	Validated survey results transmitted to Eurostat in 2011 and 2012.	2	Title II- Agriculture	AGRI
202	Preparation of the Data Processing System for treatment of the data from the Agricultural Census and from the SAPM	Updated software allowing the processing of the 2009/2010 Agricultural Census and SAPM data.	1	Title II- Agriculture	AGRI
203	Redesign of the tables to be published in the Eurostat Reference database.	Updated set of tables to be published in the Eurostat reference database.	3	Title II- Agriculture	-
204	Validation in 2011 of the Agricultural Census and Survey on Agricultural Production Methods carried out in several countries (EL, ES, PT, HU, DE, MT, NL, UK).	Validated survey results for dissemination.	2	Title II- Agriculture	-
205	Participate within the Pre-Accession Assistance Programme (IPA) to the set-up of the Farm Structure Surveys in the respective countries	Good understanding of the EU requirements in the national administration in the countries concerned.	1	Title II- Agriculture	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
In the decade 2000-2010, three sample surveys have been launched, while in the decade 2010- 2020, two FSS sample surveys are so far planned.	Burden on data providers will be reduced considerably
New sources of data can be used by Member States for providing the characteristics of the Farm Structure Survey and of the Survey on Agricultural Production Methods.	Using data from other administrative sources will reduce the questionnaires for collecting the Farm structure Survey data.
The launch of a reflection on simplification of agricultural statistics has been proposed to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics in November 2010. This work will be carried out with Member States during 2011.	

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	79/65	15.6.1965	L 109	23.6.1965	Setting up a network for the collection of accountancy data on the incomes and business operation of agricultural holdings in the EEC
EP and Council Directive	2001/109	19.12.2001	L 13	16.1.2002	Statistical surveys to be carried out by the Member States in order to determine the production of plantations of certain species of fruit trees
EP and Council Regulation	1166/2008	19.11.2008	L 321	1.12.2008	Regulation on Farm Structure Surveys and the survey on agricultural production methods and repealing Council Regulation No 571/88
Council Regulation	1234/2007	22.10.2007	L 299	16.11.2007	Establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products
Commission Regulation	1242/2008	8.12.2008	L 335	13.12.2008	Establishing a Community typology for agricultural holdings (amended by Regulation (EC) 867/2009 of 21.9.2009)

## Theme 4.03 Land use and land cover

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- This theme comprises the Land Use and Land Cover Area Frame Statistical Survey (LUCAS), which regards the whole EU territory
- Surveys (most recent 2008/2009) are launched to obtain harmonised data not only on Land Use and Land Cover changes, but also on environmental features and landscape evolution.
- Setting up Land Use and Land Cover Area frame Surveys (LUCAS)
- Setting up an integrated ESS data network for Land Cover and Land Use
- Collecting comparable and harmonised statistical information on Land Cover and Land Use The cost of launching LUCAS survey in 2012 is estimated at € 109 million, 4 million of which come from Eurostat's appropriations. Implementation of the action is critically dependent on the availability of subdelegated appropriations for an amount € 6.9 million from DGENV, DG ENTR and DG CLIMA.

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Launch calls for tender to prepare the next LUCAS survey 2012	Preparation of the tenders	1	Title II-Agriculture	2	4	6.9 mio EUR from DG ENV, ENTR and DG CLIMA
102	Preparing a solid framework for future LUCAS	The need for an appropriate formal framework for future LUCAS survey(s) including an cost benefit analysis will be discussed by the Advisory Group on land use and land cover statistics	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	2	2	-
103	Further investigations on the implementation of an integrated ESS data network started in 2010	Better coordination with countries on data collection and data integration concerning land use and land cover	2	Title II-Agriculture	2	2	-
104	Discussion of the user needs in land cover and land use statistics, identifying the best approaches for setting up a system of harmonised land cover/use statistics integrating the main national sources already available. In this context the role of the EU LUCAS survey should also be addressed and defined. Results of the advisory group will be reported at DIMESA and SCAS	Discussion of the user needs in land cover and land use statistics, identifying the best approaches for setting up a system of harmonised land cover/use statistics integrating the main national sources already available. In this context the role of the EU LUCAS survey should also be addressed and defined. Results of the advisory group will be reported at DIMESA and SCAS	1	Title II-Agriculture	3	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Prepare the next LUCAS survey	LUCAS survey to be launched in 2012	1	Title II-Agriculture	-
203	Disseminate and promote LUCAS data 2008/2009	Publication, data dissemination, seminar	3	Title II-Agriculture	-
205	Follow up of the study on LUCAS 2009 orthophotos and data	Results of data analysis	0	Title II-Agriculture	-
206	Analyse Land Cover/Use data	Publications	3	Title II-Agriculture	-

#### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Set up of an integrated ESS Lucas data network; existing sources will be integrated as far as possible in the overall Area frame statistical survey	Avoid overlap and double work

## Theme 4.04 Agricultural accounts and prices

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Economic Accounts for Agriculture (EAA) – also covers agricultural labour input (ALI)
- Unit Value Statistics (UV) and Regional EAA
- Agricultural Price Statistics - covers annual and quarterly agricultural price indices data (API) and absolute prices data
- Agricultural land prices and rents

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Collection and validation of agricultural land prices and rents data	Improved completeness and quality of land prices and rents data	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	4	-
102	Dissemination of agricultural land prices and new data	Improved information for the benefit of the data users	3	General objectives	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Economic accounts for agriculture including agricultural labour input data collection and validation. (annual data)	Dissemination within one month after the transmission deadline.	2	General objectives	-
202	Unit values statistics and regional accounts for agriculture input data collection and validation.	Dissemination within one month after the transmission deadline.	2	General objectives	-
203	Agricultural price statistics data collection and validation (price indices annual and quarterly data and annual absolute prices)	Dissemination within one month after the transmission deadline.	2	General objectives	-
204	Improve quality and harmonisation of the concepts and definitions used by the Member States for agri-monetary statistics	Methodological improvements reflected in the increase of data quality and data comparability.	1	General objectives	-
205	Continue to support user requests and dissemination units' requests.	Publications, data dissemination, methodological clarifications.	3	General objectives	-

#### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
In 2011, the data collection, validation and dissemination system is expected to be further streamlined through automation of clerical operations such as data validation and the possible replacement of FAME (production database) by a more efficient system.	Simplification, integration, increased efficiency and multiplication of functionalities of statistical processes in Eurostat.
The launch of a reflection on the simplification of agricultural statistics has been proposed to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Statistics in November 2010. This work will be carried out with Member States during 2011.	

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	138/2004	5.12.2003	L 33	5.2.2004	Economic accounts for agriculture in the Community

## Theme 4.05 Forestry statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Collection of annual data on the production of and trade in wood and wood products for the EU and EFTA countries with the Joint FAO/ECE (Economic Commission for Europe)/Eurostat/ITTO (International Tropical Timber Organisation) Forest Sector Questionnaire (JFSQ)
- Collection of economic data for forestry and logging using the Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounting for Forests (IEEAF) approach



## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Estimate carbon in harvested wood products using JFSQ data	Data used by DG ENV and DG ENTR	2	General objectives	2	2	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	• Collect data on production of and trade in wood and wood-derived products (reference year 2010) by 30 October 2011	Validated data for time series of annual data as of 1992, EU and EFTA countries. Access to worldwide data of the international partners.	2	General objectives	-
202	Disseminate statistics for 2010 in different media, comparing with other large producers	Preliminary data published in July, final data in December	2	General objectives	-
203	Collect 2009 economic data for forestry and logging	Economic data harmonised with National Accounts and between the Member States	2	General objectives	-
204	Disseminate IEEAF data	Final data in December; time series as of 2005	2	General objectives	-
205	Provide data for projects under the EU Forest Action Plan 2007-2011 (lead: DG Agriculture)	DG Agriculture publications	2	General objectives	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Resolution	1999/C 56/01	15.12.1998	C 56	26.2.1999	A forestry strategy for the EU

## Theme 4.06 Fisheries statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Catch statistics
- Landings statistics
- Aquaculture statistics

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Implementation of new legislation for the format of fisheries data reports from Member States	Improved efficiency for data collection, processing and dissemination	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	4	-
102	Assess the statistics compiled pursuant to Regulation (EC) 762/2008 on aquaculture production, in particular on their relevance and quality. Make a cost-effectiveness analysis of the system introduced to collect and draw up statistics and indicate best practices to lessen the workload for Member States and enhance the usefulness and quality of the data	Evaluation report to the European Parliament and to the Council	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	3	4	-



## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Processing of submissions of catch, landings and aquaculture statistics regulated under specific EU legislation	Data handling	2	General objectives	-
202	Updating of the Statistical Register of fishing vessels (April)	Data handling in cooperation with DG MARE	2	General objectives	-
203	Cooperation in developing of sustainability indicators for fisheries	Development and updating of sustainable indicators	1	General objectives	-
204	Preparation of publications (i.e. Pocketbook, DiFs and SiFs) on fisheries statistics	Data analysis and dissemination	3	General objectives	-
205	Bilateral cooperation with DG MARE following the Memorandum of Understanding	Regular updating of user needs; elimination of possible discrepancies between data collected by both Directorates General	0	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
206	Bilateral and multilateral cooperation in the framework of the Working Group on Fisheries Statistics and cooperation with other international organisations	Elimination of possible discrepancies between data collected by several international organisations	0	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
207	Continued reorganisation of the FISH database processing system - Fleet collection	Simplification, integration, increased efficiency and multiplication of statistical processes on fisheries	2	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
208	Improvement of the quality and harmonisation of the data, collection and evaluation of methodological inventories	Improved quality of fisheries statistics	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Reorganisation of fish data collection and processing	This will improve data collection and processing efficiency and facilitate data sharing. This will in turn allow wider sharing of data between Commission Services and international organisations and may lead to fewer data requests.
In 2011, the data collection, validation and dissemination system is expected to be further streamlined through automation of clerical operations such as data validation and the possible replacement of FAME (production database) by a more efficient system.	Simplification, integration, increased efficiency and multiplication of functionalities of statistical processes in Eurostat.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	2930/86	22.9.1986	L 274	25.9.1986	Defining characteristics for fishing vessels
EP and Council Regulation	1921/2006	18.12.2006	L 403	30.12.2006	Submission of statistical data on landings of fishery products in Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1382/91
EP and Council Regulation	762/2008	9.7.2008	L 218	13.8.2008	On the submission by Member States of statistics on aquaculture and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 788/96
EP and Council Regulation	216/2009	11.3.2009	L 87	31.3.2009	On the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic
EP and Council Regulation	217/2009	11.3.2009	L 87	31.3.2009	On the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the north-west Atlantic
EP and Council Regulation	218/2009	11.3.2009	L 87	31.3.2009	On the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic
Commission Regulation	26/2004	30.12.2003	L 5	9.1.2004	On the Community fishing fleet register
Council Regulation	1124/2009	20.11.2009	L 308	24.11.2009	Establishing a prohibition of fishing for porbeagle in EC and international waters of I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom

## Theme 4.07 Agri-environmental statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Development and maintenance of a system of 28 agri-environmental indicators for monitoring the integration of environmental concerns into the Common Agricultural Policy, based on Commission Communication COM (2006)508
- Coordination of the work on these indicators carried out in other Directorates General (DG Agriculture and Rural Development, DG Environment, Joint Research Centre, European Environmental Agency) in accordance to a Memorandum of Understanding and with other international organisations

- Collection, processing and dissemination of the data needed for the indicators, from the other involved Commission services, Member States, other units and statistics in Eurostat and by other (non-governmental) organisations
- Setting up a long-term data collection system taking into account all data needs in the domain and the need to reduce the response burden
- Contributing to Eurostat publications including agri-environmental statistics
- Implementation of the Regulation (EC) No 1185/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 concerning statistics on pesticides

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Analyse the direct and indirect data needs linked to the farms for setting up the agri-environmental indicators and the subsequent consequences for the agricultural statistics systems; follow-up the contract from 2009 on the issue	Recommendations to the Commission services and Member States on a future harmonised data collection system Draft Commission Regulation (EC) No .../... of [...] implementing Regulation (EC) No 1185/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning statistics on pesticides, as regards definitions and list of active substances	1	Title II- Agriculture	-
202	Collect data from available sources in the Commission, EU agencies, Member States, Eurostat and other (non-governmental) organisations.	Data and publications	2	Title II- Agriculture	-
203	Prepare the implementation of the Regulation concerning statistics on pesticides (transmission file)	Implementing regulation and handbook	1	Title II- Agriculture	-
204	Update the fact sheets on the agri-environmental indicators where Eurostat is in the lead for the indicators where new data are available	Factsheets	3	Title II- Agriculture	-
205	Follow up and continue the work on pesticides risk indicators	Methodology and software	1	Title II- Agriculture	-
206	Support Member States in their work on agro-environmental indicators, collect and compile available data	Pilot studies, data	2	Title II- Agriculture	-
207	Maintain and develop further the agro-environmental indicators' database	Database	2	Title II- Agriculture	-
208	Coordinate the activities related to the preparation of the first assessment (1 <sup>st</sup> progress report) of the work carried out in the context of the agri-environmental indicators, on the basis of an evaluation of the indicators by each of the partners of the Memorandum of Understanding.	Report	3	Title II- Agriculture	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Setting up of a coordinated system for collecting data based on available data in the countries, using and producing data related to the relation between agriculture and environment, including administration and research.	Reduced response burden through concerted data collection actions

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- The agri-environmental indicators that are not yet fully developed will be improved as agreed in work programmes set up according to a memorandum of understanding between Eurostat, DG Agriculture and Rural Development, DG Environment, the Joint Research Centre and the European Environmental Agency. Each partner will collect data through its own system, as agreed in the memorandum.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Decision	72/279	31.7.1972	L 179	7.8.1972	Setting up a standing committee for agricultural statistics
Council Decision	96/411	25.6.1996	L 162	1.7.1996	Improving Community agricultural statistics
EP and Council Regulation	1185/2009	25.11.2009	L 324	10.12.2009	Concerning statistics on pesticides

## Theme 4.08 Rural development and maritime policy statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Provision of statistics to support the European Rural Development Policy and the European Integrated Maritime Policy
- Discussions mainly with DG AGRI, DG MARE and DG REGIO about their data needs; follow-up and completion of action 6.5 of the Blue Paper Action Plan on integrated maritime policy (SEC(2007)1278) "Improving Socio-Economic Data for maritime sectors and maritime regions.
- Testing the use of data from harmonised European surveys (Labour Force Survey, Information and Communication Technologies Usage Survey)
- Cross-sectional data collection at NUTS level 3 for areas with differing levels of rurality and for coastal areas / the maritime sector if available. Analysing and publishing NUTS level 3 data as far as they are available
- Managing grants provided to Member States (collection of existing data)
- Building a framework for a rural/coastal inventory covering the most important services/infrastructures
- Analysing and publishing NUTS level 3 data

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Carry out a regular update of the database using official data published on the websites of the NSIs	Statistical data	2	Title II-Agriculture	-
202	Manage the rural data collection exercise launched in 2010 based on existing data sources (grants)	An extended indicator list	1	Title II-Agriculture	-
203	Test the use of data collected in the framework of European harmonised surveys (e.g. LFS, ICT usage)	Statistical data	2	Title II-Agriculture	-
204	Building up a list of services and infrastructures on NUTS level 3	Data / information	1	Title II-Agriculture	-
205	Elaboration of statistical publications devoted to Rural development and Maritime sectors and regions	Dissemination of results (publications and presentations)	3	Title II-Agriculture	-
206	Further improvement of the dedicated website for Rural Development and Maritime Policy statistics	Dissemination of results, access to NUTS level 3 data	3	Title II-Agriculture	-

#### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Coordination of data collection between regional and rural levels	Avoiding double work in Member States
Using data collected in the framework of European harmonised surveys	Member States send microdata once to ESTAT

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Decision	72/279	31.7.1972	L 179	7.8.1972	Setting up a standing committee for agricultural statistics
Council Decision	96/411	25.6.1996	L 162	1.7.1996	Improving Community agricultural statistics
Council Regulation	1698/2005	20.9.2005	L 277	21.10.2005	On support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

## DOMAIN 5 — MULTI-DOMAIN STATISTICS

### Theme 5.01 Statistics for business cycle analysis

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Improvement of the quality and the coverage of Principal European Economic Indicators (PEEIs, COM/2002/661) and enhancement of their visibility
- Development and implementation of sophisticated statistical and econometric techniques in order to increase timeliness, length, frequency and reliability of PEEIs
- Development and maintenance of a statistical framework for the assessment of the euro area and Member States cyclical situation
- Provide advanced methods for data readability and interpretability
- Preparation, implementation and follow up of guidelines for harmonising PEEI production processes and for the definition of best statistical practices
- Development of tools for the rationalising the use of statistical and econometric techniques

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Finalise the ESS guidelines on revisions and prepare an implementation plan within the ESS	Guidelines for revisions - implementation plan	0	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-
102	Finalise and disseminate handbooks on best practices on revisions analysis and seasonal adjustment	Handbooks on revisions analysis and seasonal adjustment	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	1	4	-
103	Develop a first set of tools for the rationalisation of the use of statistical and econometric techniques to improve PEEIs coverage and to analyse them	Tools	0	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-
104	Investigate new statistical areas relevant for production improvement and analysis	Key studies on selected topics	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	2	4	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Finalise and follow up the implementation of common policies within the ESS for the compilation of Principal European Economic Indicators in key areas such as seasonal adjustment, estimation and back calculation. The priority will be monitoring the implementation of the already endorsed ESS seasonal adjustment guidelines	Annual report on implementation of ESS guidelines on seasonal adjustment	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
202	Improve Euroindicators/PEEIs website: online analysis and comparative tables, Statistics Explained pages, online bibliographies and publications (Newsletter, Selected Readings, State of Affairs, PEEIs Quarterly quality report), including the official monthly publication Eurostatistics.	Euroindicators\PEEIs special topic - Monthly Eurostatistics publication	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
203	Monitor EuroIND and PEEIs quality: regular updating of the Euroindicators real-time database for revision analysis and real-time simulation, monitoring Euro-IND quality (with particular attention to Principal European Economic Indicators), developing new quality measures for time series and database (synthetic quality indicator), dissemination of results.	Monthly update of the EuroIND real time database Monthly State of Affairs and Monitoring Report publications, Quarterly PEEIs quality report	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
204	Improve structure, coverage and visibility (enhanced visualisation tools) of the selected PEEs page, also in line with the development of the Principal Global Indicators activities	New structure of the selected PEEs page Extended statistical and geographical coverage New visualisation tools	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
205	Finalise the testing exercise of nowcasting, back calculation and monthly indicator of the economic activity (Euromind) as well as coincident turning points indicators by means of sophisticated statistical and econometric techniques (whenever possible in collaboration with production units, DG ECFIN and the ECB) and decisions on their dissemination	Regular production of: nowcasting, Euromind, Business cycle coincident indicators (BCCI) and Growth cycle coincident indicators (GCCl), as well as of the internal business cycle note	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
206	Support Eurostat sectoral units, Commission Directorates General, and Member States in their activity to improve and analyse Principal European Economic Indicators, including training activities and tools development	Training and methodological helpdesk	0	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
207	Contribute to international meetings, seminars and conferences aiming to promote the use of statistical and econometric techniques for data production and analysis and to develop and consolidate a early monitoring system for the global economy	Working documents, papers, presentations, organisational tasks	1	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-
208	Follow-up the 6th Eurostat Colloquium on Modern Tools for Business Cycle Analysis.	Publication of proceedings	3	Title VII- Economic and monetary policy	-

## Theme 5.02 Europe 2020 strategy and sustainable development<sup>13</sup>

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Sustainable development indicators (SDI)
- Europe 2020 indicators
- Structural indicators (SI)
- Globalisation indicators (GI)
- Well-being indicators (WBI)
- Quality profiles (QP)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Produce the 2011 EU Sustainable Development Strategy (SDS) monitoring report	EU SDS 2011 monitoring report	3	Annex II- Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	2	4	-
102	Prepare the Statistical Annex to the first Commission progress report for the Commission strategy Europe 2020	Statistical Annex to the Commission progress report on the Commission strategy Europe 2020	3	Annex II- Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	2	4	-
103	Update of the list of SDI in line with the expected new version of the EU SDS	Updated list of SDI	1	Annex II- Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	2	4	-
104	Produce 3 Statistics in Focus	3 Statistics in Focus	3	Annex II- Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	2	4	-

<sup>13</sup> This theme was called "Lisbon strategy and sustainable development" in the Annual Work Programmes 2008-2010

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
105	Set up the indicator system for the Europe 2020 indicators	Indicator system for Europe 2020 is set up	3	Annex II-Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	3	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Maintain and improve the SI, SDI, WBI and GI sets in terms of data availability and timeliness (quality profiles), in line with policy developments	Updated and new quality profiles	1	Annex II-Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	-
202	Improve the user-friendliness of the SI, SDI and GI dedicated sections on the Eurostat website and respond to users requests, including further documentation of data quality	Better and more user-friendly SI,SDI and GI dedicated sections on the Eurostat website which give better satisfaction to users and provide wider knowledge of our products	3	Annex II-Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	-
203	Foster and follow actively technical and research projects connected to SI, SDI, GI and WBI	Statistical needs taken into account in research projects	1	Annex II-Structural & sust. dev. Indicators	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Decision	1600/2002	22.7.2002	L 242	10.9.2002	6th Environment Action Programme
Council of the European Union	10117/06	9.6.2006	--		Renewed EU Sustainable Development Strategy

## Theme 5.03 Environment statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Environmental Data Centre on Waste
- Statistics on waste, hazardous substances, water, biodiversity
- Regional environment statistics
- Streamlining and production of environmental indicators (Sustainable Development, Sustainable Development Indicators, Europe 2020, etc.)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Set up, operate and further develop the Environmental Data Centre (DC) on Waste and contribute to the DCs managed by other services	Data Centres are operational and offer a comprehensive set of information and services	3	Title XIX-Environment	-
202	Improve official water statistics	Increased availability of water statistics	2	Title XIX-Environment	-
203	Contribute to the implementation of the Communication on GDP and beyond	Eurostat action plan closely monitored	0	Title XIX-Environment	-
204	Manage the waste statistics regulation (WStatR)	Publication of data, metadata, indicators and statistical analysis from the 2010 data collection under the WStatR (reference period 2008)	2	Title XIX-Environment	-
205	Maintain the chemical risk indicators set in the frame of the REACH baseline study	Updated set of indicators to monitor the EU chemicals policy (REACH)	2	Title XIX-Environment	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
206	Further establish and maintain a "Clearing House" for environmental indicators (streamlining of existing and new indicators)	Consistent set of European environmental indicators and meta information, register of indicator projects from European bodies on the Eurostat website	2	Title XIX-Environment	-
207	Validate and disseminate of the regional environmental data received in 2010 and prepare of subsequent data collection activities	Regional environmental statistics from the 2010 collection available for users Policy needs considered in the design of the follow-up	2	Title XIX-Environment	-
208	Maintain the biodiversity indicators (protected areas, birds, fish) produced by external partners	Indicators and metadata are published and their quality is improved	2	Title XIX-Environment	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Development of the Environmental Data Centre on Waste	Single entry point for reporting on waste

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Decision	1600/2002	22.7.2002	L 242	10.9.2002	6th Environment Action Programme
EP and Council Decision	2179/98	24.9.1998	L 275	10.10.1998	Review of the European Community programme of policy and action in relation to the environment and sustainable development 'Towards sustainability'
EP and Council Regulation	2150/2002	25.11.2002	L 332	9.12.2002	Waste statistics

## Theme 5.04 Regional and urban statistics

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Coordination of the collection of regional statistics in various thematic units of Eurostat
- Coordination of the dissemination of regional statistics
- Collection processing and dissemination of urban statistics
- Identification of new or changed requirements on regional and urban statistics in cooperation with policy Directorates General of the Commission
- Maintenance of the Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
102	Create a database with (partly confidential) NUTS3 level data derived from microdata analysis as building blocks for specific aggregations	Database with NUTS level 3 statistics of a wide range of demographic, economic and social topics	2	General objectives	2	4	-
103	Revision of the technical tools for managing regional and urban data	More efficient data handling (collection, validation, processing and dissemination)	2	General objectives	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Coordinate and edit the 2011 edition of the Eurostat Regional Yearbook	Eurostat Regional Yearbook for 2011	3	General objectives	-
202	Collect, validate and process urban statistics and selected regional statistics	Urban and specific regional statistics	2	General objectives	-



Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
203	Update the Eurostat databases and metadata for regional and urban statistics	Data, metadata and methodological background information for dissemination purpose	3	General objectives	-
204	Improve the Eurostat dissemination system for regional and urban statistics	Improved technical tools in terms of scope and user friendliness	3	General objectives	-
205	Prepare the NUTS 2010 implementation	Revised Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics	1	Annex I-3.1 better regulation	-

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or Community Agencies

### 2.1 NEW WORK

- DG MOVE is undertaking a "Study on harmonised collection of European data and statistics in the field of urban transport and mobility" whose results are expected in spring 2012.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	1059/2003	26.5.2003	L 154	21.6.2003	Establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)

## Theme 5.05 Geographical and local information

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Maintenance of a Reference Database for geographic information for the Commission (GISCO)
- Purchase of new or updated geographic datasets and their integration into the GISCO database
- Support to Commission services, including Eurostat, for work with geographic information and in geographic map production
- Cooperation with DG Environment and the Joint Research Centre (JRC) on the INSPIRE (Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe) initiative according to the Memorandum of Understanding
- Implementation of an INSPIRE conforming technical architecture based on the concept of Geoportals
- Operation of the INSPIRE Geoportals under the responsibility of the Commission

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Develop an EU Geoportal as a central hub in a European wide INSPIRE compliant architecture of Geoportals in cooperation with the JRC	Pilot EU Geoportal as a preparation for an operational service to start in 2012	0	General objectives	2	4	-
102	Conduct specific spatial analysis projects (2 to 4) in cooperation with Eurostat thematic statistics units	Spatial analysis results published by Eurostat	0	General objectives	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Purchase of geographic datasets and integrate them into the GISCO database according to Geographical Information System requirements of Commission services	Up to date GISCO database as geographic reference database for the European Commission	0	General objectives	-



Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
202	Provision of support to Eurostat, other European Commission services and related organisations (Global Monitoring of Environment and Security, Shared Environmental Information System, Water Information System for Europe) in geographic information system work and spatial analysis projects	Commission capacity to deal effectively with geographic information work in the context of the support of EU policy work	1	General objectives	-
203	Operate an internal Commission governance structure for GISCO (Interservice Group (Interservice Committee for Geographical Information) and user groups)	Good coordination on geographic databases within the Commission	1	General objectives	-
204	Cooperate with DG Environment and JRC on the development of the INSPIRE framework	Regulations and technical guidelines for INSPIRE	1	General objectives	-
205	Operation, technical maintenance and functional evolution of INSPIRE@EC as the Commission internal Geoportal	Well functioning Commission internal Geoportal service	0	General objectives	-
206	Geostat 2 ESSnet: consolidation of the Geostat 1 project based on reactions of stakeholders, refinement of the model and methodology used, development of use cases and an access and communication concept	Population grid datasets prepared for use including case studies as illustration	1	General objectives	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Directive	2007/2	14.3.2007	L 108	25.4.2007	Establishing an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE)

## Theme 5.06 Science, technology and innovation

Official statistics on STI are vital in order to measure and understand growth based on knowledge, as well as to monitor progress towards the achievement of policy goals at national and EU levels.

Statistics developed under this theme provide a basis for the monitoring and benchmark exercise for the Europe 2020 strategy, the development of the European Research Area (ERA) and the Innovation Union Initiative. Further topics are the re-engineering of research and innovation statistics and the possible integration of ICT statistics (see theme 5.07)

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Production, dissemination and development of the Community Innovation Survey 2006-2010 (and beyond)
- Production, dissemination and development of the Research and Development statistics 2008-2010
- Production and dissemination of the survey on Careers of Doctorate Holders (CDH) 2009 and decision on its follow-up
- Production, dissemination and development of the Patent statistics based on PATSTAT data source from European Patent Office
- Production and dissemination of the High Tech and Knowledge Intensive sectors statistics with their extensions
- Conduction of feasibility studies and pilot data collections in the Science, Technology and Innovation statistics area including the rationalisation of the related surveys where adequate and possible
- Developing new indicators for Commission strategy Europe 2020, European Research Area (ERA) and Innovation Union Initiative and managing and coordinating the related work

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	ERA Indicators: develop a method for matching harmonized patent applicant names (firms) with harmonized firm names from financial databases for creating SME patenting indicators	Method of the patent statistics and indicators on SMEs for ERA (and beyond)	1	Title I-Free movement of goods	2	3	RTD
102	Looking at the potential for R&D and European Union Innovation surveys re-design and search for synergies	Improved and more coherent resulting data by domains and Member States and rational production methods	1	Title I-Free movement of goods	2	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Maintain and improve Eurostat's set of ERA indicators; coordinate actions, metadata, quality evaluation and communication towards Commission	Management and coordination of the high-quality indicators for ERA monitoring purposes	3	Title XVIII-Research, technology	-
202	Ensure the wide dissemination of CIS 2008 data and the related metadata	Publication of the CIS 2008 tabulations in their full format with analysis and conclusions drawn including the evaluation in replying the users' needs and reaching higher level of quality and comparability	3	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
203	Ensure the regular production and dissemination of R&D and GBAORD (government budget appropriations or outlays on research and development) data and the related metadata with their envisaged extensions Initiation of the revision of the Commission regulation (EC) No 753/2004 on Science and Technology	Publication of the Research and Development statistics and indicators for ERA, Commission strategy Europe 2020 and Innovation Union Initiative monitoring purposes and elsewhere	3	Title XVIII-Research, technology	-
204	Process, validate and disseminate the CDH 2009 data with the related metadata Evaluate of the CDH 2009 survey, its outcome and the follow-up actions drawn	Publication of the CDH 2009 statistics and evaluation of the results in policy context particularly for measuring PhD mobility and careers	3	Title XVIII-Research, technology	-
205	Ensure the regular production and dissemination of patent data and the related metadata with their envisaged extensions	Publication of the patent statistics and indicators for ERA, Commission strategy Europe 2020 and Innovation Union Initiative monitoring purposes and elsewhere	3	Title I-Free movement of goods	-
206	Ensure the regular production and dissemination of High Tech and Knowledge Intensive sectors' data and the related metadata with their envisaged extensions Review of the classification of the High-Tech and Knowledge Intensive activities	Publication of the High Tech and Knowledge Intensive sectors' statistics and indicators for ERA monitoring purposes	3	Title XVIII-Research, technology	-
207	Ensure the regular production and dissemination of Human Resources in Science and Technology data and the related metadata with their envisaged extensions	Publication of the High Tech and Knowledge Intensive sectors' statistics and indicators for ERA monitoring purposes	3	Title XVIII-Research, technology	-
208	Initiate the development of the CIS 2012 with a project developing a harmonised survey questionnaire with all the supporting methodological documentation	Initiation of the development of the survey questionnaire and support documentation of the necessary methodology for CIS 2012	1	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-
209	Ensure the CIS 2010 conduct at the Member States with possible all the desired extensions	Conducting the CIS 2010 in the Member States for the final data deliveries 2011	3	Title XVI-Industry-Business statistics	-

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.1 NEW WORK

- DG Research has initiated project in developing detailed and exhaustive methodology for serving further breakdowns of the GBAORD data (on public science budgets) both in joint and open public R&D programmes.
- DG Research has initiated several other projects to obtain statistical data complementary to what is provided by the European Statistical System in particular bibliometric data, data on licensing and national patents, supplementary foreign affiliates R&D data.
- DG Research will renew its contract to maintain, update and further develop its integrated STI database.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Decision	1608/2003	22.7.2003	L 230	16.9.2003	Production and development of European Union statistics on science and technology

## Theme 5.07 Information society

Official statistics on ICT are vital in order to measure and understand the socioeconomic impacts of ICT adoption and use, as well as to monitor progress towards the achievement of policy goals at national and EU levels. Priorities in 2011 include (i) provision of indicators for the post Lisbon strategy Europe 2020 and the Digital Agenda 2011-2015, and (ii) implementing 2 Communication on the production method of EU statistics – engaging projects in the field of ICT statistics, namely 'exploring the potential of the internet as a data source' and 'linking micro-data from different sources to analyse ICT impacts on productivity'.

## Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Provision of indicators on the information society for the Digital Agenda 2011-15, and the post Lisbon Commission strategy Europe 2020
- Provision of statistics on the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) by enterprises
- Provision of statistics on the use of Information and Communication technologies by individuals and in households
- Provision of statistics on the ICT sector
- Provision of statistics on ICT expenditure and investment
- Provision of statistics on postal services or monitoring implementation of Directive 2006/6/4 on Postal Services
- Provision of statistics on telecommunication services

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Feasibility study on exploring new ways of data collection for information society statistics exploiting internet traffic flows	Report on results with option for future development of information society statistics	1	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	2	2	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Make available the results of the two European Union surveys 2010 on the usage of information and communication technologies (ICT) in enterprises and in households on the free dissemination database of Eurostat (bulk of results until February 2012) and in a series of paper publications until December 2011	Database with statistical data; Publications Input to structural indicators Benchmarking indicators Digital Europe 2011-15	2	Title XVI-Information society	INFSO
202	Follow-up the execution of the two EU surveys 2011 on ICT usage in enterprises and in households with a view to making available data for post i2010 benchmarking indicators and structural indicators by November 2011	Preparation of data base with statistical data for 2012	1	Title XVI-Information society	INFSO
203	Finalise the set of implementation modules for the 2012 surveys by March 2011 as requested by the Regulation (EC) No. 808/2004, Article 8 and to update the Methodological Manual concerning information society statistics by September 2011 (Article 5)	Draft Commission Regulation; Model questionnaire for harmonised survey on ICT usage in enterprises; Model questionnaire for harmonised survey on ICT usage in households and by individuals Methodological Manual	1	Title XVI-Information society	-
204	Provide timely data on the performance and the competitiveness of the ICT sector from existing sources	Database with statistical data on ICT sector; Input to benchmarking framework Digital Europe 2011-15 Input to Structural indicators; Publications	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
205	Provide data on postal services from existing sources and from a specific data collection via National Regulatory Authorities (in close co-operation with DG MARKT)	Database with statistical data on postal services; Publications	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
206	Collect a set of indicators for measuring ICT expenditure and investment	Database with statistical data	2	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-
207	Provide timely data on telecommunication statistics	Database with statistical data on telecommunication; Input to structural indicators; Publications	2	Title XVI-Information society	-
208	Project: assessment of ICT impact on enterprise productivity by linking data from different sources (MEETS project)	Measures for assessing productivity; Distributed micro database of linked sources; Database with indicators on productivity and enterprise performance at industry level; Publication	0	Title XVI-Information society	-
209	Produce anonymised microdata sets on ICT households/individuals survey from 2011 survey for scientific use	Dataset of anonymised micro data	0	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Project ICT impact on productivity of enterprises via data linking (MEETS project)	Identification of indicators that can be dropped or should be continued in the ICT usage survey; no additional survey on impact assessment necessary
Drop of financial sector as mandatory breakdown in enterprise ICT use survey, reduction of breakdowns in transmission of aggregate data	Reduced sample size, reduced of burden within NSIs

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- Collection of ICT, telecommunication statistics via regulators, Eurobarometer and other contractors by Information Society and Media DG

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	808/2004	21.4.2004	L 143	30.4.2004	Community statistics on the information society
EP and Council Directive	2008/6/EC	20.2.2008	L 52	27.2.2008	Amending Directive 97/67/EC with regard to the full accomplishment of the internal market of Community postal services

## Theme 5.08 Consumer protection<sup>14</sup>

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Support given by Eurostat to DG SANCO to monitor the market from the consumer's perspective, contributing to data collection for the "Consumer Market Scoreboard".
- Support/advice given by Eurostat on statistical methodology

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 (*legend to the tables at the beginning of the document*)

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Coordinate Eurostat contribution to the consumer scoreboard	Availability of Eurostat data for inclusion in the scoreboard	3	Title XIV- Consumer protection	2	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Support on statistical methodology	Methodological reports/advice produced on demand	0	General objectives	-

## Theme 5.09 Environmental accounts and climate change

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Monetary and environmental accounts
- Physical and hybrid environmental accounts
- Environmental Data Centres on Natural Resources and Products
- Climate change and other cross-cutting activities

<sup>14</sup> This theme was numbered as theme 1.08 in the Annual Work Programmes 2008 and 2009; its number was changed into 5.08 as from the Annual Work Programme 2010.

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Identify new modules and define contents for the Regulation on Environmental Accounts	A first draft is prepared for ESSC discussion in 2012	1	Title XIX-Environment	2	2	-
102	Methodological developments in the area of Environmental Subsidies and Resource Use and Management Expenditure Accounts (RUMEA)	Methodological guides and standard tables for each of these areas will be available	1	Title XIX-Environment	2	2	-
103	Pilot compilation of energy accounts from existing energy statistics	Set of energy accounts	1	Title XIX-Environment	2	2	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Set up, operate and further develop the Environmental Data Centres (DCs) on Natural Resources and Products and contribute to the DCs managed by other services	Data Centres are operational and offer a comprehensive set of information and services	3	Title XIX-Environment	-
202	Collect and/or disseminate data for Air Emission Accounts, Material Flow Accounts, Environmental Taxes, Environmental Goods and Services Sector and develop estimation methods based on now casting techniques for the main EU-27 aggregates in different modules of environmental accounts	Publications (paper and electronic)	2	Title XIX-Environment	-
203	Ensure the adoption by the EP and the Council of a legal basis on European Environmental Accounts and develop implementing acts	Regulation and implemented measures adopted	1	Title XIX-Environment	-
204	System of Environmental and Economic Accounting (SEEA) 2003 revision	Participation in the Editorial Board of SEEA revision	1	Title XIX-Environment	-
205	Climate change related statistics	Implementation of Action Plan on climate change related statistics	0	Title XIX-Environment	-
206	Produce environmental indicators: Structural indicators (SI), Sustainable development indicators (SDI) and Europe 2020	Indicators updated and published	2	Title XIX-Environment	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Development of the Environmental Data Centres	Single entry point for reporting on natural resources and products

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or Community Agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- DG TAXUD classifies tax revenues by function, among which environmental taxes, and breaks them down to energy, transport and pollution tax revenues.

## DOMAIN 6 — SUPPORT FOR STATISTICAL OUTPUTS

### Theme 6.01 Quality management, evaluation, statistical coordination and classifications

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Monitoring and promoting the implementation of the European Statistics Code of Practice (CoP).
- Coordination of quality aspects within the production of European statistics.
- Implementation of the quality assurance framework for statistical processes and outputs in Eurostat.
- Activities of the Sponsorship on Quality.

These activities for 2011, particularly the work conducted by the Sponsorship Quality, contribute to the revision and extension of the existing quality framework in the ESS to better fit the requirements laid down in Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics.

In addition the evaluations included in the programme, provide instruments for better interact with users and partners:

- Evaluation of the Community Statistical Programme.
- Implementation of rolling reviews and user and partner surveys in particular.

The following activities refer to statistical coordination and classifications.

- Update and maintenance of RAMON, the new version of Eurostat's metadata server, which makes available statistical classifications and the relevant correspondence tables, standard code lists, statistical concepts and definitions, legal acts pertaining to statistics and methodological manuals.
- Coordinate changes in legislation with a view to adopt accounting definitions if feasible.
- Follow-up of changes in accounting standards with a view to assess their impact on statistics.
- Development, updating and implementation of a harmonised set of central statistical classifications such as the European Classification of Economic Activities (NACE), the Statistical Classification of Products by Activities (CPA) and the International Standard Classification on Occupations (ISCO), the Combined Nomenclature (CN) of commodities and the Geonomenclature of countries for the European Statistical System .

These activities are oriented to enhance the interaction with users by providing them with updated concepts definitions and classification used in the statistics disseminated by Eurostat. In addition promoting the use of accounting data is in line with the requirements of Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics and should contribute to a better use of the existing data leading to efficiency gains.

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Extension of ESS quality frameworks in line with Sponsorship on Quality Recommendation	Extended Eurostat and NSI quality frameworks	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	3	2	-
102	Preparatory work for launching the ex-post evaluation of the CSP 2008-2012	Planning for implementing the project, including its ex-ante evaluation and selection of external experts (contract)	0	Legal act Art. 6 Reports	2	4	-
103	ESS-net on the harmonisation and implementation of a European Socio-economic classification (ESeC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Improved comparability of the EU implementation of the international standard classification of occupations (ISCO 08)</li> <li>- Have an ESeC classification exclusively based on core variables to allow for an implementation in all social surveys</li> <li>- Study the possibility of providing more precise results from the LFS with additional variables</li> </ul>	1	Title III-Free movement of persons	3	2	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Monitoring of Member States' implementation of the European Statistics Code of Practice	Member States' compliance reports and Eurostat summary report	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
202	Activities related to the promotion of the implementation of the Code of Practice and of quality assurance in the ESS	Quality implementation projects in Member States Good practices promoted across the ESS	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
203	Quality assessments of Eurostat statistical processes	Eurostat internal quality assessment reports and final report on the Eurostat quality assessments	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
204	Activities of the Sponsorship on Quality	Report to the ESS Committee, including recommendations on the evolution of the Code of Practice Feasibility studies for communicating quality to users Quality reporting harmonisation	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
205	Implementation of evaluations (rolling reviews) for the assessment of statistical processes and outputs	Reports on the evaluation of 4 statistical domains	0	General objectives	-
206	Integrate and improve the Eurostat metadata system using the CVD (Cycle de vie des données) Metadata Handler (comprising the SDMX (Statistical Data and Metadata eXchange) registry, Ramon, etc.) and based on international standards (such as the Neuchâtel Model)	New material (classifications, correspondence tables, concepts, definitions, legal acts, methodological manuals), standard code lists will be uploaded to the database. The content of the CODED (COnccepts and DEfinition) Database will continue to be checked and improved	1	Title III-Free movement of persons	-
207	Coordinate the work of the task force on accounting and statistics including the follow-up of developments in accounting and appropriate reporting	Reports to the Business statistics directors group and the CMFB Contributions to impact assessments on the review of the accounting directives Harmonisation of variables in regulations with those in accounting when appropriate	0	General objectives Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
208	Monitor implementation of the Statistical Classification Of Economic Activities (NACE Rev.2) and the classification of products by activity (CPA 2008)	NACE Rev.2 and CPA 2008 implemented according to the timetable agreed	1	Title III-Free movement of persons	-
209	Ensure the adoption of the Combined Nomenclature (CN) 2012, incorporating the concluding results of the CN modernisation project and the transposition of Harmonised System (HS) 2012	CN 2012 Intrastat version and its related products	1	Annex I-3.1 Better regulation	-
210	Monitor the implementation of the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO-08)	ISCO-08 implemented in all statistical domains providing data on occupations from the year of reference 2011	1	Title III-Free movement of persons	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
In the context of rolling reviews implementation of user and partner surveys	Assessment of needs / relevance of statistical output and resources to produce them
Better use of accounting data for statistical purposes	Not possible to quantify
CN modernisation project	Reduction in the number of CN subheadings, facilitating classification and reducing the number of lines to report
Actions to facilitate commodity classification (CN) for reporting companies	CN classification aids will facilitate the difficult task of classification for reporting companies

## 2. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	87/2658	23.7.1987	L 256	7.9.1987	On the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the common customs tariff
Council Regulation	90/3037	9.10.1990	L 293	24.10.1990	Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community
Council Regulation	92/2913	12.10.1992	L 302	19.10.1992	Establishing the Community Customs Code
Council Regulation	93/696	15.3.1993	L 76	30.3.1993	Statistical units for the observation and analysis of the production system in the European Community
EP and Council Regulation	2003/1059	26.5.2003	L 154	21.6.2003	On the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)
EP and Council Regulation	1893/2006	20.12.2006	L 393	30.12.2006	Establishing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2 and amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 as well as certain EC Regulations on specific statistical domains
EP and Council Regulation	451/2008	23.4.2008	L 145	4.6.2008	Establishing a new statistical classification of products by activity (CPA) and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93
EP and Council Regulation	450/2008	23.4.2008	L 145	4.6.2008	Laying down the Community Customs Code (Modernised Customs Code)



## Theme 6.02 Statistical training

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

Conception and implementation of Eurostat's learning and development strategy for statistical training in the ESS (the ESS Learning and Development Framework (LDF)) aiming at

- improving the overall quality of European statistics
- raising the qualification of statisticians in the ESS in order to promote their independence in line with the European Statistics Code of Practice;
- encouraging both theoretical and practical learning and development
- encouraging the exchange of best practices, know how and experience
- supporting the implementation of the reengineering of the statistical production processes in the ESS and the required adapted skills and competence needs
- providing new alternative learning and development opportunities beyond traditional training
- definition of appropriate set up of a European Master's in Official Statistics

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Review learning and development offer for ESS in view of the implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics	New ESS LDF established for next 5 year programme	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Evaluate the training provided in 2010 in the framework of the European Statistical Training Programme	Evaluation report for the Eurostat Directors Meeting (DM) established by June 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
202	Successfully implement the ESTP core programme 2011, including internal and external courses based on a training needs analysis by the end of the year.	2011 ESTP courses implemented successfully at Eurostat and in the ESS countries to the satisfaction of participants and addressing new needs linked to the implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
203	Establish core ESTP 2012 catalogue publication.	ESTP 2012 catalogue established by November 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
204	Prepare implementation of the DM decision by end of 2010 on the appropriate strategy for the European Master's in Official Statistics	Implementation plan adopted by DM during 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
205	Successfully coordinate all ESS LDF projects by the end of the year enhancing beyond-the-classroom learning methodologies aiming to foster exchange of best practices through amongst others benchlearning methodology and knowledge-sharing approach	Regular Task Force and Working group meetings held in 2011 with agreement on implementing actions for ESS-LDF projects	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
206	Successfully provide guidelines for the use of Competence profiles of European Statisticians	Guidelines established by the beginning of 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
207	Prepare and initiate implementation of ESS-LDF Portal	ESS-LDF Portal implemented by October 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
208	Organise successfully the 2011 Eurostat study visit (European Statistical Week)	Eurostat study visit held successfully by July 2011 to the satisfaction of participants	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
209	Define E-learning application for the ESS	E-Learning application implemented in 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
210	Establish guidelines on Impact on Learning for ESS learning and development actions	Guidelines established in 2011	0	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-



## Theme 6.03 IT support for statistical production

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Functional studies / feasibility studies for sector and horizontal projects
- Maintenance activities for existing systems
- Harmonisation and reengineering of existing applications
- Improvement and development of Generic Applications
- Advancement of the CVD initiative
- Dissemination and reference systems development.
- Interfacing various various CVD components into existing applications
- Participation in the implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics by developing components usable by Eurostat and Member States.

The main actions are directly linked to the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics as follows:

- The CVD systems improvements target the data integration and data warehouses' creation permitting the creation of cross domain statistics and cost minimisation. The same reasoning applies to the reference and dissemination systems improvements.
- The data editing and imputation facilities to be deployed for the use of the ESS members reduce drastically the burden of the Member States and Eurostat, and at the same time increase quality through harmonisation of the procedures and use of the same metadata

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Apply the CVD principles to macroeconomic statistics (inter-domain integration activity)	Feasibility study and prototype (aims burden reduction , robustness of statistics produced, reduction in human resources required)	0	General objectives	2	2	-
102	Centralisation of editing activities using a common system in Eurostat and Member States (Activity related to Communication on the production method of EU statistics )	Selected countries/statistics pilots (Energy, Labour Force, etc.)	2	General objectives	1	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Continue application of CVD systems to Eurostat. This action includes the use of MDT (MultiDimensional Table), Gsast (Generic SAS Tool), Comext (Eurostat reference database for external trade statistics production and dissemination)	Integrated applications	2	General objectives	-
202	Improve the dissemination chain (Eurobase / Comext)	New enhanced versions	3	General objectives	-
203	Transition of VB (Visual Basic) applications to Windows 7	Migration of applications without functionality loss	2	General objectives	-
204	Produce a version of Editing building block offering imputation facilities	New enhanced version	2	General objectives	-
205	Functionality enhancement of all building blocks	New enhanced version	2	General objectives	-

#### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
See actions 102 ,202,204,205 above	Application of common editing procedures and systems is expected to reduce by 20% at least the current costs of Member States for this activity. Eurostat gains are expected to be bigger Enhancement of dissemination oriented systems improves data comparability and readability, hence leading indirectly to cost reduction due to awareness.

## Theme 6.04 IT standards, tools and services for data exchange in the ESS

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

Harmonisation through the use of common tools within the ESS, together with process harmonisation through the promotion of methodologies based on common tools. This is required for the development of more integrated systems; it also allows fully exploit synergies and economies of scale. The result will be better interaction with ESS partners and better integration of ESS partners and Eurostat.

- Optimisation of Eurostat interaction with users and partners in the area of data and metadata transfer by the means of:
  - Cooperation with international institutions (UN, OECD, IMF, WB and others) on the Statistical Data and Metadata eXchange (SDMX) standard.
  - Developing common tools for efficient and secure exchange of statistical data and metadata in the European Statistical System in cooperation with other relevant Commission services, the European System of Central Banks and international organisations. This includes metadata standards.
  - Data collection tools and methods and standardisation for European Statistical System raw data collections.
  - Data collection tools and methods and standardisation for Eurostat data collection from European Statistical System.

Better integration of the statistical work done in the ESS with the one done in Eurostat in order to improve efficiency and quality (comparability and timeliness) and to reduce costs by the means of standardisation. Standardisation of methods and IT-tools is one of the cornerstones of the efficiency vision contained in Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics.

- Developing and sponsoring development of a common IT infrastructure, the creation of a shared production and or dissemination environment within ESS, e.g., hub architecture.
- Exchange of common IT tools, mostly open source, e.g., SDMX tools.
- Providing standard (web) services available on Internet for Statistical production process components.
- Standards and IT software for Eurostat data collection from European Statistical System
- Development of standard tools for raw data collections within ESS.
- Re-engineering of the current production processes under way: this concerns the rationalisation of the IT architecture via the Data Life Cycle (CVD) project, the introduction of a more interactive production chain on the basis of a "data at the source" solution via the Census hub project, and the re-engineering of raw data collection of business and trade statistics via the MEETS programme.

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Exploit XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language) and other technologies in national reporting standard frameworks for business statistics (actions within the MEETS programme, following up the XBRL Pilot Project).	Reduction in response burden for businesses as well as more efficient processes in national statistical authorities.	O	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	1	2	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
201	Use the standard software: Single Entry Point for all regular data and metadata transmissions from Member States, based on standardised formats (GESMES – General Statistical MESsage, SDMX) where appropriate	Reliable, secure, monitored and automated service for transmission of statistical data and reference metadata.			2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
202	Maintain and improve the IT applications used for the Single Entry Point	Reliable IT tools, with improvements in performance and functionality, which are available for all national authorities for transmitting, uploading or transferring data via the Single Entry Point.			2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
203	Implement the SDMX (Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange) standards and guidelines for data and metadata exchange, sharing and dissemination between the ESS members	More efficient processes for exchange, sharing and dissemination of statistical data and metadata.	2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
204	Develop IT infrastructure for SDMX implementation allowing the sharing of common IT tools and easier data exchange.	IT tools and components to enable the implementation of SDMX within the ESS, integrated with the CVD.	2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
205	Implement a single IT environment and services for structural and reference metadata allowing standard access for ESS partner s and within Eurostat.	Common IT system for metadata management within the ESS, using the SDMX standards and architecture.	2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
206	Develop the Census Hub to support the transmission and dissemination of statistics from the 2011 census round.	Operational Census Hub system, using the SDMX standards and architecture.	2	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
207	Provide open-source software for statistics – developed tools to be in the form of open software to allow easier sharing.	Repository of open-source IT applications and components to support statistical business processes.	0	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
208	Support exchange of information among Member States on raw data collection technologies and best practices. Foster standards development.	Up to date information on technologies used in Member States for raw data collection	0	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
209	Support the Eurostat CIRCA site, including the introduction of the new version - CIRCABC.	CIRCA service for Eurostat units and Member States, as well as support for the migration to CIRCABC	0	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Action 101: Exploit XBRL and other technologies in national reporting frameworks for business statistics.	Exploitation of XBRL or similar technologies to allow statistical data to be extracted with reduced burden on businesses - part of the MEETS programme.
Actions 203, 204, 205, 206: Data-sharing using SDMX standards, guidelines and architecture.	SDMX-based data sharing and services will enable national authorities to deliver common data to Eurostat and to international organisations through a single process to improve efficiency and quality (comparability and timeliness) and to reduce costs by the means of standardisation.
Actions 208, 209: Exchange of information among Member States on raw data collection technologies and best practices, and shared development of software according to the common reference architecture for the ESS.	National authorities will be able to share innovative technical approaches and software for common statistical business processes, including data collection from businesses and households. This can reduce costs both for national authorities and for respondents.

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Decision	2004/387/EC	21.4.2004	L 181	18.5.2004	On interoperable delivery of pan-European eGovernment services to public administrations, businesses and citizens (IDABC).
Commission Decision <i>sui generis</i>	DL/2009/10349	18.12.2009	n/a	18.12.2009	Commission Decision on the release of software applications developed by the Commission (Eurostat) as Open Source Software under the European Union Public Licence

## Theme 6.05 Data and metadata structural definition

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Management, standardisation and improvement of structural and reference metadata,
- Use and improvement of the new Eurostat reference database Eurobase (including the management of the Eurostat data dissemination tree),
- Use and improvement of the Eurostat Metadata Handler,
- Improvement and implementation of the SDMX statistical standards and guidelines for the exchange of data and metadata,
- Dissemination of external data other than the data produced by Eurostat and
- Further improvement and integration of the Eurostat and national metadata systems.

This work contributes substantially to the improvement of the production method of EU statistics as laid down in the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics. Through increasing standardisation and harmonisation the processes and projects described above also lead to a reduction of the burden on the data or metadata producers both at national or international level. Also the accessibility of data and metadata by users should be improved. Most of the activities listed will also improve the vertical and horizontal integration (i.e. the integration between Eurostat and Member states and the integration between statistical domains) within the European Statistical System.

The main priorities for 2011 are the further standardisation and use of harmonised structural metadata (produced within the ESS and at the level of SDMX) and the broad implementation of the Euro SDMX Metadata Structure (ESMS) and the ESS Standard for Quality Report Structure (ESQRS). Particular attention will also be given to the better use of the new reference database Eurobase (including increasing data quality checks) and the increasing use of the Eurostat Metadata Handler for metadata standardisation within the ESS.

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Produce additional EU legislation related to metadata	Additional EU legislation produced	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	1	1	-
102	Get international agreements related to metadata exchange	International agreements on metadata exchange concluded	3	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	1	4	-
103	Create additional metadata structure definitions for further metadata harmonisation	Additional metadata structure definitions created	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	1	4	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Harmonise and maintain structural metadata (code lists) within Eurostat, the European Statistical System and SDMX and release this harmonised structural metadata	An increasing set of harmonised structural metadata published	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
202	Implement further the European standards for reference metadata (Euro SDMX Metadata Structure – ESMS - and ESS Standard for Quality Reports Structure - ESQRS) at Eurostat and within the European Statistical System	National and Eurostat ESMS and ESQRS files of good quality released	3	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
203	Further implement the harmonised structural metadata (code lists) in statistical domains in data structure definitions	More statistical domains using harmonised structural metadata	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
204	Manage and improve the new reference database Eurobase with additional functionalities	Eurobase maintained; additional functionalities implemented in Eurobase (e.g. for data checking purposes)	3	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
205	Stimulate the improvement of the national metadata systems via regular monitoring of these systems	National metadata systems improved	3	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
206	Improve the SDMX statistical standards and guidelines and contribute all over to the further SDMX progress	Next version of the SDMX statistical standards and guidelines released	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
207	Assure the proper functioning and delivery of the ESSnet on SDMX	ESSnet on SDMX delivering results usable within the ESS	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
208	Provide the Commission internal users with access to databases containing data produced outside of the ESS	Access to external databases maintained	3	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
209	Improve the data dissemination tree used by Eurostat	Data dissemination tree improved	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-
210	Fully implement the Eurostat Metadata Handler in terms of contents and functionalities for use within the ESS	Broadly used Eurostat Metadata Handler	1	Annex I-1 The role of statistics in Europ. integration	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Actions 101, 104, 201, 202, 203, 206, 210: all these actions are related to metadata standardisation with the aim to simplify and improve statistical businesses processes within the ESS	Simplified statistical processes using standardised metadata
Actions 103: international exchange of metadata	Reduced response burden on NSIs within the ESS
Actions 102, 207: additional SDMX standards and IT applications available	Improved statistical processes through the implementation of SDMX

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Commission Recommendation	2009/498/EC	23.6.2009	L 168	30.6.2009	On reference metadata for the European Statistical System

## Theme 6.06 Information and dissemination

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Dissemination of European statistics
- Eurostat website
- Support for external users
- Publications
- Promotion and marketing of Eurostat and of European statistics

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Improved user orientation on dissemination products and services	Analysis of information about user interaction with Eurostat products and services leading to improvements across the whole range of dissemination outputs.	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	2	4	-
102	Enhance reusability	Facilitation of the re-use of Eurostat data, metadata and tools by external organisations, including NSIs as well as companies, making use of SDMX (Statistical Data and Metadata eXchange) standards and guidelines	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	1	4	-
103	Increase multilingualism	Selected information is available in all EU languages	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	3	4	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
104	Disseminate European results from the 2011 Census	Preparation for dissemination of the results of the 2011 Census, via the Eurostat website, using the Census Hub. Note: data will not be available in 2011; this action refers to preparatory work and it only covers work related to the Eurostat website.	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	2	4	-
105	Improve the visibility and raise awareness of European statistics and the European Statistical System	First results of actions under the Sponsorship on Communication including European statistics visible on NSI websites with a European Statistical System logo, common tools for dissemination and recommendations for common approaches to user surveys and special-purpose websites.	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	3	4	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Maintain and further develop the Eurostat website	Eurostat website providing users with access to data, metadata, publications and other information relating to European statistics, with high availability and performance, and with continuous improvements of functionality, usability and web content in 3 languages	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-
202	Produce electronic and paper publications and related added-value products on European statistics	Full range of publications on European statistics oriented to the needs of users; all publications available via the website in electronic versions, including the use of Statistics Explained, and selected publications also in paper versions. Innovative added-value products are offered to take advantage of new dissemination channels, such as mobile devices.	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-
203	Support external users of European statistics via a network of support centres covering all Member States and languages	High quality support service for external users of European statistics	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-
204	Promote and market Eurostat and European statistics	Users and potential users are informed about Eurostat, its products and services, and European statistics in general, through all available channels including the participation in conferences and dissemination events, and the distribution of promotional materials.	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-
205	Disseminate microdata	Access to microdata for researchers	3	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-
206	Coordinate dissemination in the European Statistical System	Common approach to dissemination of European statistics based on agreements and joint actions via the Dissemination Working Group and the Sponsorship on Communication	3	Title XVIII- Research, technology	-

## 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
Enhanced reusability and common tools	The exploitation of SDMX-based tools for dissemination will enable simplification by making possible a unified and more efficient approach to the related processes of data transmission and dissemination in NSIs, based on common data warehouses, in line with Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics. More generally, Eurostat will also support work by NSIs under the Sponsorship on Communication to share dissemination tools to support common processes, allowing NSIs to reduce IT development costs.

## Theme 6.07 Statistical cooperation with the candidate and potential candidate countries

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Preparation of candidate and potential candidate countries for EU membership by aligning their methodologies and practices with the statistical acquis and integrating them into the European Statistical System.
- Inputs to meetings under the structures of the Stabilisation and Association Agreements and inputs to the Commission's annual progress reports and its opinions on countries' applications for EU membership.
- Provision of harmonised statistics covering the candidate and potential candidate countries.

- Accession negotiations regarding the statistics chapter and the statistics component of other chapters.
- Assistance to the candidate and potential candidate countries involving the entire cycle for assistance programmes with programming, tendering, implementation and evaluation under the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA)
- Complete the management of assistance to Member States that joined in 2007 (Phare/Multi-Beneficiary Statistical Cooperation programmes).

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Contract new technical assistance for implementing the statistical <i>acquis</i> in the candidate and potential candidate countries (2011 IPA programme)	Completed contracting of the IPA 2011 programme	O	Annex II-Enlargement	2	3	ELARG

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Implement the ongoing technical assistance programmes for the candidate and potential candidate countries (IPA 2008 and IPA 2009 programmes)	Improved compliance and integration into the European Statistical System of candidate and potential candidate countries	O	Annex II-Enlargement	ELARG
202	Complete implementation and close the files relating to the technical assistance programmes MBP 2005 and MBP 2006	All files completed	O	Annex II-Enlargement	ELARG
203	Contribute to the accession negotiations and the structures set up under the Stabilisation and Association Agreements	Input provided for accession negotiations and the structures under the Stabilisation and Association Agreements provided	O	Annex II-Enlargement	-
204	Contribute to the Commission opinions and reports and to the monitoring procedures on the compliance of candidate and potential candidate countries with the statistical <i>acquis</i>	Inputs to opinions, progress reports and monitoring tables provided on time	O	Annex II-Enlargement	-
205	Support implementation of national cooperation programmes in the candidate and potential candidate countries	National programmes fully coordinated with multi-beneficiary programmes	O	Title XX-Development cooperation	-
206	Conduct full assessments of the statistical systems of candidate and potential candidate countries	At least 2 assessments completed	O	Title XXI-coop. with third countries	-

## Theme 6.08 Statistical cooperation with countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP)

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Providing technical (statistical) advice to the EU's external action service (EAS), including EU Delegations in the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) countries;
- Coordinating EU efforts to build statistical capacity within the framework of the MEDSTAT programme of statistical cooperation in the Mediterranean region, and ENP financing instrument (ENPI);
- Assisting the Southern ENP countries in implementing their regional strategy for statistics;
- Assisting the ENP countries to gradually align their statistical systems with that of the EU;
- Encouraging the application of best practices from the European Statistical System to be applied in ENP countries through mutual contacts, training, study visits, workshops, seminars, and attendance at meetings;
- Collecting and publishing a range of data from the ENP countries, as an input to the Commission assessment of progress in the countries, and to maintain momentum for harmonisation of data for the region



## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Assist EuropeAid in monitoring the implementation of the new project on Energy Statistics in the ENP-East and Central Asian countries	High quality advice supplied to Commission services on the programme to improve energy statistics and energy balances	0	Title XX-Development cooperation	2	3	EuropeAid or External Action Service

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Work closely with the EuropeAid, the External Action Service, and beneficiaries on the implementation of funding mechanisms for technical assistance (e.g. ENPI)	High quality advice on statistical issues supplied to Commission services and beneficiaries of statistical cooperation programmes with Eastern and Southern ENP countries	0	Title XXI-coop. with third countries	EuropeAid or External Action Service
202	Assist ENP countries in the development and review of their national action plans.	For ENP-East, Adapted Global Assessments for at least one country. For ENP-South, updated Country Statistical Situation reports	0	Title XX-Development cooperation	-
203	Monitor the progress achieved by ENP countries regarding the adoption of EU statistical methods, classifications and standards.	Contribution to the annual ENP country reports	0	General objectives	-
204	Collect and publish statistics on ENP countries	Updated database Annual pocketbook A number of smaller Statistics in Focus publications	2	Title XXI-coop. with third countries	-
205	Assist EuropeAid in monitoring the implementation of the MEDSTAT III programme	Organisation of an annual meeting of Directors of the NSIs of the ENP-South countries	0	Title XXI-coop. with third countries	-
206	Organise international events covering statistical cooperation (relevant to senior managers in national statistical offices) and specific technical themes (relevant to subject matter experts in national statistical offices)	Two seminars on key statistical themes	0	Title XX-Development cooperation	-
207	Promote EU statistical standards, classifications and methodologies through the provision of reference material in relevant languages	Eurostat manuals, methodologies and nomenclatures translated into Russian and/or Arabic, if sufficient demand	0	Title XXI-coop. with third countries	-

## 2. Statistical work to be carried out by other DGs (including data collection from Member States) and/or EU agencies

### 2.2 ONGOING WORK

- In 2010 the European Environment Agency was contracted by DG EuropeAid to take the first steps towards a Shared Environmental Information System for the ENP region. This contract included a requirement to assist the ENP countries in capacity building for environment statistics. Eurostat's involvement is linked to promoting the project and its institutional building component in the ENP countries as well as to monitoring and follow-up.

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
Council Regulation	96/1279	25.6.1996	L 165	4.7.1996	Provision of assistance to economic reform and recovery in the New Independent States and Mongolia
Council Regulation	1638/2006	24.10.2006	L 310	9.11.2006	General provisions establishing the European Neighbourhood and Partnership instrument (ENPI)

## Theme 6.09 International statistical cooperation

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Providing advice and expertise to Commission services (in particular the External Relations Directorates-General, and the delegations) and national statistical authorities with respect to European Commission development and cooperation policies (identification, planning, implementation and evaluation of statistical projects or the statistical elements of more wide-ranging development projects) and coordinating Eurostat units' contribution to this work;



- Assisting the European Commission in relations with international organisations and in matters of common statistical interest with non-European regions or countries;
- Advocating and promoting good governance through statistics in the EU's external relations policy;
- Monitoring and coordinating EU efforts to build statistical capacity in countries outside Europe within the framework of international commitments such as the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs);
- Encouraging the application of ESS best practice in non-EU countries through mutual contacts, training, study visits and attendance at meetings;
- Collecting data on non-EU countries obtained from all available sources for use by Commission services in pursuit of their external relations policies and, subject to agreement with data suppliers, the wider community of users;
- Ensuring that stakeholders are kept adequately informed through efficient communication;
- Representing Eurostat in international organisations;
- Coordinating Eurostat's relations with Higher Income Countries (HIC) and Russia, in particular implementing the EEA agreement in the field of statistics and the agreement with Switzerland on cooperation in the field of statistics.

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Add elements of the "Eurostat vision" to the existing activities conc. non-European countries. Incorporate new production method (Eurostat "vision") and "GDP and beyond" elements in the encouragement of best practices in non EU countries. Learn from best practices from countries and organisation outside the EU (e.g. Canada, USA, OECD, etc.). Ensure outreach of "Eurostat vision" to higher income countries and international organisations (including mutual information). Strengthen links between OECD Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies and the "GDP and beyond"	Incorporate new production method (Eurostat "Eurostat Communication on the production method of EU statistics") and "Communication on GDP and beyond" elements in the encouragement of best practices in non-EU countries.  Ensure outreach of "Eurostat Communication on the production method of EU statistics" to higher income countries and international organisations (including mutual information).  Strengthen links between OECD Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies and the "GDP and beyond"	O	General objectives	2	4	-
102	Take a more proactive stance with respect to international relations following the coming into force of the Lisbon Treaty.	Build on more inclusive nature of European External Action Service (EEAS) in order to increase co-ordination amongst Commission and Member States' representatives in EEAS delegations (e.g. donors' networks).	O	General objectives	3	4	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Provide advisory service for other Commission services (external relations family, including delegations) and beneficiaries on cooperation programmes with ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States), ALA (Asia and Latin America), Central Asia aiming at building statistical capacity and gradual harmonisation of the statistical systems with international methods, standards and classifications.	High quality and timely advice on regular / <i>ad hoc</i> basis on statistical projects and issues. Investigate new ways of co-operating in regions in Latin America, following termination of projects in Mercosur, Andean Community (e.g. through ECLAC)	O	Title XX- Development cooperation	-
202	Make an effective contribution to advocacy for statistics and international coordination of statistical cooperation activities and the implementation of the Marrakech Action Plan for Statistics and the Dakar Declaration on the Development of Statistics through active participation within Paris21 and other international fora.	Constructive contributions to Country Team Meetings. Support for EU-Africa partnership through relations with the African Union Commission and other Pan-African Organisations.	O	Title XX- Development cooperation	-
203	Develop and improve thematic areas of international statistical cooperation (guide to international statistical cooperation, MDG/development indicators work, statistical training, etc.): growth and employment will be considered as area of special attention	Further develop, publicise and disseminate the guide. Constructive input into Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Millennium Development Goals.	O	Title XX- Development cooperation	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
204	Continue transfer of know-how regarding statistical tools (ERETES, Eurotrace) to subregional organisations and user groups.	Organise training and workshops Animation of user groups. Upgrade ERETES (Software programme for national accounts) to SNA2008 (System of National Accounts)	1	Title XXI- Cooperation with third countries	-
205	Provide updated non-EU country statistics and improve information services on international statistical cooperation (publications, Eurostat's web site, knowledge base). Continue the development of a knowledge base of the current state of play for all regions covered by the unit's responsibility showing the level of statistical capacity in the countries in those regions and European Commission aid provided/planned in the field of statistics.	Extend and update data on non-European countries on the unit's website Make the DISC (Database on International Statistical Cooperation) knowledge database available to potential users both inside and outside the Commission Promote and implement the ASTRA training tool in developing countries Contribute to SNA2008 implementation in least developed countries through follow-up activities linked to "Essential SNA" handbook	2	Title XX- Development cooperation	-
206	Implement the action plan for raising the profile of the Commission and the ESS in international statistical fora through the effective participation in major international meetings.	Effective meetings of the International Relations Working Group resulting in proposals for an ESS common position, where deemed appropriate. Update the database on international meetings and use it to use ESS resources in attending such meetings more efficiently.	O	Legal Act-Art. 3 Statistical governance	-
207	Co-ordinate effectively relations with Higher Income Countries, including EFTA countries, USA, Canada, Russia etc.	Revisions of the Swiss Agreement, where necessary. Regular revisions of the statistical annex and protocol of the EEA agreement as necessary. Organisation of EU-Swiss Joint Committees. Agreement of indicators necessary for monitoring EU-Russia policy. Further develop Memorandums of Understanding with countries such as Canada, Mexico and Chile, etc.	O	Title XXI- Cooperation with third countries	-
208	Coordinate statistical cooperation activities at EU level.	Advisory group meetings, use of Partners' Report on Support for Statistics (PRESS) to co-ordinate better. Contribution to the "Statistics for Results Facility".	O	Title XX- Development cooperation	-
209	Maintain constant contacts, to exchange information and to participate in main meetings of international, regional and sub-regional organisations.	Effective contribution to meetings at global, level, the UN regional commissions and sub-regional levels, especially where an EU project on statistics is in place; report back to Commission and ESS services on these meetings. Thorough preparation, high-quality briefing and prior coordination of EU Member States	O	Annex I-2.4 Cooperation with international organisations	-
210	Provide advice to Eurostat and ESS services on their relations with international organisations and countries outside Europe.	Regular and <i>ad hoc</i> advice.	O	Legal Act-Art. 3 Statistical governance	-

### 1.3 ACTIONS LEADING TO THE REDUCTION OF RESPONSE BURDEN AND THE SIMPLIFICATION OF STATISTICAL PROCESSES

Action	Expected reduction of response burden or simplification
International Relations Working Group	This enables Member States to contribute more effectively to international meetings and to share resources.
A knowledge base on the statistical development of non-EU countries (DISC) and Partners' Report on Support for Statistics (PRESS).	Member States to better target their resources in technical cooperation.

## Theme 6.10 Statistical research and methodology

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Statistical process architecture and integration
- Statistical research and methodological innovation
- Standardisation and knowledge management
- Core methodologies: data integration, data analysis, time series processing and seasonal adjustment, data collection design, data validation and model based estimation, EU approaches
- Methodological support, advice, guidance and assessment
- Methodological cooperation in the ESS and with universities
- Training and methodological competence management

This work contributes substantially to the improvement of the production method of EU statistics as laid down in the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics through

- the conceptual analysis of most relevant cross-cutting issues tracking efficiency gains with the identification of commonalities in different related processes, the identification of generic specification for common process steps and the development of associated guidelines and tools.

- the improvement of vertical integration of processes by launching with Member States collaborative projects aiming at designing global ESS process, streamline their implementation by the identification and documentation of good practices following the Generic Statistical Business Process Model
- the development and implement a multi dimensional programme of research and innovation through the elaboration of a research programme for Official Statistics to be included in FP8; the intensification the link with research community; the setting up transfer mechanism involving Member States (ESSnets);the launching specific ESSnets and research projects under the umbrella of the ESS Directors of Methodology (DIME) and the Network of Methodologists in Eurostat
- the improvement of the methodological competences with the development of Master of Science in Official Statistics with universities and a strategic reflection on the mechanism for their management
- to the optimisation of interaction with partners with the emergence and fast consolidation of methodology for collaboration building upon virtual platforms (web 2.0) to support cooperative projects and to reinforce cooperation among ESS partners and with academia.

## 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Set up an ESS governance structure for the integration of ESS statistical production processes	A sponsorship on ESS standardisation is launched with Member States to analyse and promote the integration of processes at ESS level and to define priorities.	O	Annex I-3.5 Partners' expertise	2	4	-
102	Improve research on official statistics in collaboration with Member States	Specific research directions are elaborated in prevision of the next Research Framework Programme and are supported by the research community	O	Title XVIII- Research and technological development	2	4	-
103	ESSnets on cooperative methodological developments	Specific ESSnets are launched in the framework of Framework Partnership Agreement signed in 2010 (standardisation and methodology for business statistics)	O	Annex I-3.5 Partners' expertise	1	4	-

### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Provide guidance and support for and assess methodological developments for ESTAT reengineering production system	A methodological helpdesk provides direct assistance; Expertise is mobilised through a framework contract for issue methodological recommendations and advice. A Methodological Master Plan is put in place. Methodological developments in ESTAT contribute to the CVD approach.	O	General objectives	-
202	Generate and organise knowledge in key methodological issues for an integrated architecture for the production of official statistics: new modes of data collection, data analysis, data validation, survey methodology and sampling, data integration, model based estimation	A repository of reference technical documents (guidelines, handbooks) is maintained with ESS/ESTAT methodologists. Handbook and guidelines are produced in prioritised domains	O	General objectives	-
203	Explore, set up and maintain new modes and tools of collaboration for the community of ESS Methodologists, Researchers (CROS - Cooperation between Researchers and Official Statisticians) and Partners (Joint Research Centre, etc)	DIME and dedicated Web 2.0 platforms are developed, maintained, populated and used. Research community web site. 2011 NTTs conference (Conference on New Techniques and Technologies for Statistics) organised. Implementation of the CROS action plan defined in 2009. A revised Partnership agreement is signed with the Joint Research Centre. Extension of cooperation project with Universities	O	General objectives	-
204	Identify priorities for research, methodological developments and innovation analysing main challenges for future statistics in a global, competitive, technology driven information world, with a particular focuses on challenges raised by the integration of production processes in the ESS	A statistical watch and prioritisation mechanism is organised. State-of-the-art document, reviews and vision documents on key methodological and research issues related to ESS statistics production are produced	O	Annex I-3.3 Users' needs	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
205	Contribute to the emergence, optimisation and standardisation of integrated ESS processes and harmonised methodologies	Identification and definition of specification for standard step of ESS production processes to be shared between Member States and Eurostat in prioritised domains. Development of an ESS methodological infrastructure supporting these developments. Methodological standards (glossary, best practices) are gradually put in place and maintained	O	Annex I-3.5 Partners' expertise	-
206	Facilitate and promote innovation in the ESS through a streamline infrastructure for ESSnet projects	ESSnet Helpdesk, Annual ESSnet Action Plan, Assessment and mechanism for user appropriation. Running communication and dissemination platform for ESSnet	O	General objectives	-
207	Development and maintain ESS standard tool for seasonal adjustment (SA) and related time series processing for official statistics	IT development for Demetra+ (Java porting, bug correction), functional helpdesk, technical maintenance and documentation, open source repository, standards for cooperative development, governance (prioritisation) and training, collaboration with SA community	O	General objectives	-
208	Monitor and support the implementation of ESS guidelines on seasonal adjustment and best practices for time series processing in coordination with the Steering Group on SA, high level group bringing together ESCB and ESS bodies	Implementation of guidelines is supported by adequate tools, methodological document and methodological support. Guidelines are updated to take into account needs for development (crisis, etc). Identification of good practices is fostered. Collaborative mechanisms are put in place and maintained	O	Annex I-3.5 Partners' expertise	-
209	EMOS (European Masters in Official Statistics) and methodological competence management	Pilot actions aiming at improving methodological competence in the ESS are fostered. Best practices are shared. Definition of common minimum knowledge for Official Statistics and operation modalities between universities running Masters in Official Statistics and NSIs	O	Annex I-3.5 Partners' expertise	-

## Theme 6.11 Data security and statistical confidentiality

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Ensuring the physical and logical protection of confidential data (statistical disclosure control – SDC)
- Harmonisation of principles and guidelines in SDC.
- Design infrastructure (IT and procedure) for releasing confidential data (tabular or micro data) to ESS partners and Research community.
- Coordination of sectoral initiatives in the domain of protection and release of confidential data for scientific purposes
- Methodological and tool development in the domain SDC
- Ensuring and promoting the correct and coherent application of rules and provisions for the release of confidential data for scientific purposes
- Methodological support in SDC
- Ensuring adequate governance of statistical confidentiality in the ESS

This work contributes to the improvement of the production method of EU statistics as laid down in the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics through

- the design of cross-cutting infrastructure for the release of data for scientific purposes and for the protection of confidential data disseminated to user
- the improvement of vertical integration of processes defining Member States a framework for the standardisation and harmonisation of processes related to the SDC

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Develop a solution for accessing confidential data online	Pilot implementation for one data collection	3	General objectives	2	2	-
102	Setting up of new procedures and an implementation framework for the new regulation on access to confidential data for scientific purposes	Bilateral agreements, ESSC decisions, procedures are agreed	3	General objectives	2	1	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
103	Define an ESS strategy for a distributed infrastructure for access to confidential data including various actors	Model for a distributed architecture, feasibility studies and specification and common standard. Synergies with various actors (Data archives, OECD, ECB, etc.) are assessed	3	General objectives	3	2	-
104	Specify and develop building blocks for tabular data protection	Core algorithms for protecting ESS tables are ported to the open source repository	0	General objectives	1	2	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Streamline the procedures for access to micro data for scientific purposes	Smooth access to the microdata by researchers	3	General objectives	-
202	Ensure the processing of the admissibility requests	Two batches of admissibility requests processed per year	3	General objectives	-
203	Support Eurostat units on methodological (statistical disclosure control methods and tools) and legal issues	Methodological and legal support on statistical confidentiality provided to Eurostat units	0	General objectives	-
204	Disseminate SDC ESSnets results in Eurostat and ESS	Transfer mechanism for the appropriation of ESSnet results in Eurostat	3	General objectives	-
205	Develop a new implementing regulation on access to confidential data for scientific purposes	New implementing regulation replacing 831/2002 published in 2011. Access to confidential data for research is fostered while managing disclosure risk	3	General objectives	-
206	Develop remote access to confidential data	Remote access infrastructure (IT and processes) serving both Member States and research bodies (pilot implementation)	3	General objectives	-
207	Continue developing step by step an infrastructure/processes adapted to the need of fostering the release of EU micro data in an integrated ESS (remote access, remote execution, documentation, Public Use File (PUF), safe centre, cooperation with data archive networks)	Gradual set up of the different elements of the new strategy: PUF specification, low impact data protection guidelines, standard for EU safe centre	0	General objectives	-

## 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
EP and Council Regulation	45/2001	18.12.2000	L 8	12.1.2001	On the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community
Commission Regulation	831/2002	17.5.2002	L 133	18.5.2002	Concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes

## DOMAIN 7 — ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

### Theme 7.01 Management of IT infrastructure

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- IT user support
- Local IT systems Administration
- Development and maintenance of administrative IT applications
- IT governance
- Relations and cooperation with DIGIT

The action 207 (Ensure evolutive maintenance of programming and reporting system) will be an important contribution to the activity of the Eurostat's project of the Management of the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics "Make priority setting system linked to the resource allocation". The same holds for 210 (Enhance IT governance) as far as IT architecture is concerned.

The action 101 (Creation of a shared secure environment) gives added value to the potential users of confidential data. In the mid term the creation of the shared secure environment is an important step to a distributed IT environment, one aim of the activity of Eurostat's project of the Management of the Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics "Improve vertical integration".

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Create of a shared secure environment	Implementation of the new environment	0	General objectives	3	2	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Provide IT User support	High level support	0	General objectives	-
202	Provide desktop hardware and software	Provision of adequate IT resources in terms of hardware and software	0	General objectives	-
203	Coordinate IT training	Training facilities corresponding to Eurostat's IT requirements	0	General objectives	-
204	Ensure a high level of availability of local servers	High availability of local servers including cases of incidents	0	General objectives	-
205	Provide technical support to IT security	Security requirements including related monitoring implemented	0	General objectives	-
206	Ensure evolutive maintenance of financial applications	Financial applications adapted to user requirements	0	General objectives	-
207	Ensure evolutive maintenance of programming and reporting system	Programming and reporting IT system adapted to user requirements	0	General objectives	-
208	Ensure evolutive maintenance of document management systems	Document management system adapted to user requirements	0	General objectives	-
209	Ensure evolutive maintenance of Eurostat's configuration management database	Configuration management database fully operational	0	General objectives	-
210	Enhance IT governance	Improved rules and guidelines on IT governance	0	General objectives	-



## Theme 7.02 Management of human resources

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Conception and implementation of Eurostat's human resources strategy based on the Commission's administrative reform and human resources policy;
- Development and implementation of a personnel policy for permanent and external staff as regards succession planning, selection and recruitment ;
- Development and implementation of careers including staff appraisal and promotion
- Management of allocation, screening and reorganisation;
- Management of the mobility plan;
- Continued improvement of the integration of newcomers;
- Follow-up of the implementation of the equal opportunities action plan and the actions on diversity;
- Design and implementation of actions on well-being;
- Promotion and management of flexible working arrangements (part-time, flexitime, telework);
- Management of staff leave/absences;
- Conception and implementation of Eurostat's learning and development strategy based on the Commission's Learning and Development Framework and the requirements of the implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics (reengineering of ESS statistical production system)
- Development and implementation of an tailored training programme for Eurostat staff covering also changing competences and skills
- Development, implementation and promotion of alternative learning and development opportunities with the aim of creating a learning organisation
- Organisation of big team/directorate away days and provision of consultancy services
- Organisation of annual management seminars (Heads of Unit Seminar and Directors Seminar)
- Establishment of synergies with the ESS Learning and Development Framework

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Have implementation of career development project fully planned by end 2010, including work on mobility management and the job information system / e-CV.	Programme launched to acquire skills and knowledge required for implementation of the Communication on the production methods of EU statistics and in the context of zero growth in HR in 2009-2013	O	General objectives	2	4	-

#### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Manage and develop selection and recruitment for all categories of staff (officials, Seconded National Experts, contract staff, interim staff, trainees). Manage and improve allocation, clearing and screening exercises for human resources.	Streamlined and swift selection procedures. Acquisition of staff with the right skills to contribute to the mission of the Directorate-General. Allocation of staff done taking into account the priorities, the HR future needs and the current resources available in the DG.	O	General objectives	-
202	Plan, implement and monitor the appraisal and promotion exercise in keeping with Commission deadlines, including a help desk for all actors.	The appraisal and promotion exercise is conducted following the rules and within the deadlines.	O	General objectives	-
203	Establish and implement the 2011 Learning and Development Framework (LDF) for Eurostat and evaluate the 2010 LDF	Eurostat 2011 Learning and Development Framework established by February 2011 and available to all staff Annual activity report on Learning and Development 2010 established by March 2011 Appropriate training programme corresponding to user needs also in line with requirements for implementing the Communication on the production method of EU statistics and related new competences and skills	O	General objectives	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
204	Establish framework contracts according to 2010 call for tender on statistical training for Eurostat staff for the period 2011–2014	Framework contracts established by mid 2011	0	General objectives	-
205	Manage leave/absence applications on a daily basis, including a help desk for staff. Promote flexible working arrangements, including flexitime and telework.	More staff resorts to flexible working arrangements.	0	General objectives	-
206	Provide consultancy and design and implement special learning and development events (away day events for bigger groups, management seminars, etc.)	4-6 such events successfully delivered during 2011	0	General objectives	-
207	Provide in 2011 alternative learning and development opportunities for Eurostat staff aiming to build up a learning organisation	Agreed new learning offer implemented respecting timetabled set (including action learning, consulting, creativity and innovation, etc)	0	General objectives	-
208	Identify common projects for joint learning and development of Eurostat staff and European statisticians	2 common projects identified and implemented (e.g. impact on learning, competence and skills development linked to the implementation of the Communication on the production method of EU statistics)	0	General objectives	-
209	Implement forward planning actions in order to ensure the availability of staff with the right skills for recruitment in Eurostat: organise specialised temporary agent selection, contribute to the work programme of EPSO and ensure the organisation of specific open competitions.	Staff with the right profile are available for recruitment by Eurostat	0	General objectives	-
210	Monitor implementation of the Equal Opportunities action plan and the achievement of its targets, as well as the actions in the diversity domain.	Concrete actions exist to improve equal treatment of staff and a diverse work force.	0	General objectives	-
211	Design and implement further actions to improve the well-being of staff.	Increase staff motivation and an improved atmosphere leading to more flexibility and better communication, which should lead to a generally improved quality of the final outputs. It should also enhance Eurostat's overall ability to attract well-qualified professionals.	0	General objectives	-

## Theme 7.03 Management of financial resources

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Financial verification of commitment and payment operations
- Planning and monitoring of budgetary implementation
- Contribution to simplification of financial tools and sound financial management
- Support to Financial Management (Training, Helpdesk)
- Support for implementation of Eurostat's strategic priorities (financial management dimension)

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

#### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Finalise the project on implementing revised financial circuits	Revised financial organisation and workflows	0	General objectives	-	-	-
102	Contribute to work on the evaluation of long term expenditure needs, taking into account the priorities linked to the re-engineering of the statistical production system and the upcoming negotiation of the Regulation on Financial perspectives 2014-2020	Building blocks of a long-term expenditure strategy	0	Annex I-3.4 Financial support	-	-	-
103	Streamline the grant award process	Simplification measures	0	Annex I-3.4 Financial support	-	-	-
104	Develop possible options to implement Art. 15 of the Regulation on European statistics stipulating that 'an adequate financial structure shall be developed' to support sharing of experience and results within the ESS through collaborative networks.	Proposal for tools in the financial domain to support knowledge management in the ESS through collaborative networks.	0	Annex I-3.4 Financial support	-	-	-



## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Provide ex-ante financial verification of financial transactions (financial instruments: grants, procurement, joint management; type of appropriation: operation and administrative; source: own budget appropriations and budget appropriations subdelegated to Eurostat by other DGs)	Opinions of financial agents in charge of financial verification available through check lists	0	General objectives	2
202	Review and develop Financial Support Information products in close cooperation with users	Standards documents for Eurostat Financial Tools; Manuals; Financial Internet site	0	General objectives	-
203	Ensure continuous improvements in advice, assistance and training to clients	Training sessions	0	General objectives	-
204	Prepare and monitoring the implementation of operational and administrative budget appropriations	Annual budget allocation; Financing Decision; Subdelegated Budget allocation	0	General objectives	-
205	Providing management information services to users	Regular financial dashboard reports on key financial indicators	0	General objectives	-
206	Defining and implementing the 2011 reinforced ex-ante and ex-post controls programmes and ensuring the follow-up of previous controls	Opinion, Reports, Corrective actions	0	General objectives	-
207	Ensure follow-up of comments made during the annual discharge procedure and the recommendations issued following audit reports	Improvement actions	0	Annex I-3.4 Financial support	-
208	Provide accounting services and related quality controls.	Reliable financial information; opening and closing balance sheets.	0	General objectives	-

## Theme 7.04 Audit

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Assurance and counselling engagements
- Opinions on control systems in Eurostat
- Follow-up of the implementation of audit recommendations

### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Risk analyses	IAC Work Programmes and Reports	0	General objectives	-
202	Audit engagements in conformity with International Audit Standards	Reports	0	General objectives	-
203	Counselling engagements	Reports	0	General objectives	-
204	Follow up of the implementation of the audit recommendations	Reports	0	General objectives	-
205	Opinion on the state of the control system in Eurostat in support to the Directorate-General AAR	IAC Annual Opinion	0	General objectives	-

## Theme 7.05 General administration

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Document management
- Inter-service consultations
- Mail delivery
- Intermediate archives
- Office space and furniture
- Management of office space and furniture according to Eurostat's needs

# 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Document Management: user training and support	Provide information, training, and support to Eurostat Units	O	General objectives	-
202	Document Management: monitoring	Make regular reports and provide feedback to Eurostat Units. Define and submit proposals for improving Document Management in Eurostat	O	General objectives	-
203	Registration of incoming mail	Incoming mail registered on time, with correct proposal for attribution and in compliance with data protection rules	O	General objectives	-
204	Management of the Filing Plan	Filing Plan and Archiving Table up-to-date. Official Files created/closed on Units' demand	O	General objectives	-
205	Inter-Service Consultations: central co-ordination, user training and support, monitoring	Inter-service consultations launched correctly and replies sent by deadlines	O	General objectives	-
206	Mail collection & delivery	Mail delivered on time, to the right destination and in compliance with data protection rules	O	General objectives	-
207	Intermediate archives: allocation and supervision	Allocate storerooms according to needs (and availability), monitor and give advice on their use.	O	General objectives	-
208	Provide a timely and appropriate help desk service to all staff in matters relating to the building and its contents. (including telephone and office furniture)	Staff is given the necessary material conditions to perform their work.	O	General objectives	-
209	Implement Eurostat's office new needs in accordance with organisational changes.	Removals are smoothly managed	O	General objectives	-

## DOMAIN 8 — POLICY STRATEGY AND COORDINATION

### Theme 8.01 Communication

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Relations with the media
- Internal communication

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Enhance the role of the Eurostat Spokesperson in order to increase Eurostat's visibility in the media	Number of briefings, interviews and press conferences organised.	3	Annex I-2.2 Cooperation with users	2	4	-
102	Advise Eurostat management on the ways of communicating the Communication on the production method of EU statistics in the ESS and implement the decisions.	Number of communication actions undertaken.	0	General objectives	2	2	-
103	Create an informal network of press officers in the EU	Number of common actions undertaken by Eurostat and NSI press offices.	0	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	2	4	-

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Draft news releases on key statistics	Number of news releases issued (€-indicator and <i>ad hoc</i> )	3	Annex I-2.2 Cooperation with users	-
202	Improve the targeting of Eurostat news releases with particular reference to important international events	Number of news releases issued linked to specific events	3	Annex I-2.2 Cooperation with users	-
203	Develop contacts with the media by providing tailor-made extraction and organising training courses for journalists	Number of media requests answered Number of training courses organised for journalists	3	Annex I-2.2 Cooperation with users	-
204	Support the implementation of Eurostat strategy through communication to staff	Number of communication actions undertaken.	0	General objectives	-
205	Extend the number of written and video interviews on Eurostat's intranet	Number of written and video interviews published.	0	General objectives	-
206	Regularly publish Eurostat newsletter and magazine	Publication of 5 issues of Eurostat-infos and 2/3 issues of Sigma	0	General objectives	-
207	Organise specific information events, such as the General Assembly and informal staff meetings.	Number of meetings organised	0	General objectives	-
208	Enhance the exchange of information between the ESS members through INSite	Number of news items published and proportion of news coming from the Member States.	0	Annex I-3.6 Dissemination	-

### Theme 8.03 Management and statistical programmes

#### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Strategic management
- Management support
- Internal control
- Annual & multi-annual programming
- Administrative simplification and response burden reduction

# 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

## 1.1 NEW WORK, INCLUDING NEW PLANNED LEGISLATION

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Resource impact on MS	Main origin of resources	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
101	Support to implement the Communication on the production method of EU statistics: Be a home for the "Balance Scorecard"	Report on the implementation of the Global Management System.	O	General objectives	2	2	-
102	Promote and develop creativity and innovation	Consulting services, training	O	General objectives	2	2	-
103	Build up an integrated management process (Strategic Planning & Programming Cycle of the Commission) (subject to the new Commission guidelines)	Integrated process	O	General objectives	2	2	-

## 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Coordinate the preparation of the annual statistical work programme	Adoption of the Annual Work Programme 2012 by the Commission Strategic priorities for the Annual Work Programme 2013 agreed by the European Statistical System Committee	O	Legal act, Art.2, Pol.priorities	-
202	Prepare Eurostat's contribution to the Strategic Planning and Programming Cycle of the Commission	Management Plan (MP) 2012, Annual Activity Report (AAR) 2010, contribution to the Synthesis Report 2010, MP 2011 mid-term review	O	General objectives	-
203	Prepare the next Multiannual Programme	Proposal for an EP and Council Regulation on the European Statistical Programme 2013-2017	O	General objectives	-
204	Conduct the annual risk management exercise	List of strategic and critical risks and derived action plans, risk register up-to-date, list of critical processes and projects, consulting services for users, dissemination of good practice examples, mid-term review	O	General objectives	-
205	Monitor the implementation of the "Communication on the production method of EU statistics"	ECOFIN Report on the implementation of Commission Communication on the production method of EU statistics, Progress reports, Presentations	O	General objectives	-
206	Assess the compliance and effectiveness of the implementation of the Internal Control Standards (self-assessment)	Mid-term review, Recommendations and action plans, Contribution to MP and AAR	O	General objectives	-
207	Increase the efficiency of the planning and programming process	Full implementation of revised planning and programming process IT tool for planning and programming activities operational	O	General objectives	-
208	Develop and promote process and project management techniques within Eurostat	Consulting services to users, dissemination of good practice examples	O	General objectives	-
209	Monitor and report on progress on audit recommendations at Eurostat level	Bi-annual progress reports to Eurostat's senior management and the Commissioner, updated database of audit recommendations	O	General objectives	-
210	Monitor and coordinate Eurostat's contributions relating to administrative simplification and burden reduction	Progress reports, presentations	O	Annex I, 3.7 Costs-benefits	-

## Theme 8.04 Management of legal bases

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Activities to ensure the application and coherence of statistical legislation, contribution to relevant Commission-wide reporting requirements and relations with European Parliament and the Council on legislative matters.

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Promote the smooth implementation of the Regulation on European statistics	Advice on statistical legislation	O	General objectives	-
202	Monitor legislative processes	Management provided with reports	O	General objectives	-
203	Maintain agenda planning for statistical legislation	Contribution to the Commission's Legislative and Work Programme	O	General objectives	-
204	Manage and follow up EP questions and answers provided to the EP	Answers provided to the EP	O	General objectives	-
205	Monitor committee activities	Contribution to the annual report on committees	O	General objectives	-
206	Monitor compliance with statistical legislation	Annual report on compliance monitoring	O	Annex I-3.2 Compliance monitoring	-

## Theme 8.05 Relations with the ESS, inter-institutional and international relations

### Fields of activities covered by the theme

- Governance of the European Statistical System (ESS), through the management of the committees that form the core of the cooperation within the European Statistical System, in particular the European Statistical System Committee, the highest-level committee within the ESS representing the producers of European statistics, the European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC), providing a stakeholder perspective (users, respondents and producers) on the relevance and priorities of EU statistics as well as the associated costs and resources, and the European Statistical Governance Advisory Board (ESGAB), whose role is to provide an independent overview of the ESS as regards the implementation of the European Statistics Code of Practice.
- Ensuring efficient co-operation with the Council, the European Parliament, the European System of Central Banks, the EESC (European Economic and Social Committee) and the CoR (Committee of the Regions) with regard to the statistical legislative production.

#### 1. Work to be carried out by Eurostat in 2011 *(legend to the tables at the beginning of the document)*

##### 1.2 ONGOING WORK

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
201	Provide the Secretariat for the ESSC	Meetings, comitology votes, opinions and minutes	O	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
202	Organise the DGINS Conference	Conference, proceedings/statement/declaration	O	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
203	Provide the Secretariat for the ESAC	Plenary and temporary working party meetings, minutes, seminar, proceedings, opinions	O	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
204	Provide the Secretariat for the ESGAB	Meetings, minutes, annual report to the European Parliament and Council, advice and recommendations	O	Annex I-2.1 The ESS	-
205	Participation and contribution to EP Committees discussing statistical legislative proposals	EP opinion, adoption of legislation	O	General objectives	-
206	Coordination with Council Presidencies	Streamlined inter-institutional processes	O	General objectives	-
207	Follow-up of Statis working group in the Council	Council decisions, adoption of legislation	O	General objectives	-
208	Advice and follow-up of legislation	Legal opinions	O	General objectives	-

Action ID	Action	Output for 2011 (policy- and/or expenditure-related)	Type of work	Link to Multiannual Programme	Depends on funding from other DG
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
209	Cooperation with the ESCB	Exchange of respective statistical programmes	O	General objectives	-

### 3. Legal references

Nature	No	Date	OJ No	Publication date	Title
European Parliament and Council Decision	234	11.3.2008	L 73	15.3.2008	Establishing the European Statistical Advisory Committee
European Parliament and Council Decision	235	11.3.2008	L 73	15.3.2008	Establishing the European Statistical Governance Advisory Board