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<u>UNSD/UNECE Regional Meeting on</u>
<u>Revision of Economic Classifications</u>
(Geneva, 29 September-1 October 2004)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE MEETING

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting on 29 September 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

- 1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Election of officers
- 3. Introduction to the International Family of Classifications
- 4. ISIC, CPC 2002 update and ISIC, CPC 2007 revision
- 5. ISIC 2007 Revision: Presentation of ISIC Rev.4 draft detail
- 6. CPC 2007 Revision: Proposals for CPC ver.2 revision regarding concepts, structure, detail
- 7. Revision of the ISCO
- 8. UN List of Industrial Products
- 9. Cooperation in the field of classifications in the ECE region
- 10. Future work

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- 11. Other business
- 12. Adoption of the report

Provisional timetable and notes on the items of the agenda

This Workshop is conducted by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) and the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE).

All sessions will be organised as open discussions, mostly following an introductory presentation.

Presentations of country participants on a) their national experiences with economic and social classifications and b) their comments and feedback on ISIC full structure proposals sent out as a questionnaire will be scheduled throughout the week.

WEDNESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

09:00 Registration of the participants

10:00-10:10 Items 1 and 2

Item 3: INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL FAMILY OF CLASSIFICATIONS

10:10-11:00 Overview of International Family of Economic and Social Classifications – presentation by the UNSD:

- Introduction to the Preamble, Role of custodians;
- Reference classifications, adaptation of reference classifications;
- Linkages and consequences, relationship with derived and related
 Classifications, including development and use of correspondences;
- Activity classifications (ISIC/NACE/NAICS/ANZSIC) and their relationships as an example of a family of economic classifications;
- Processes and International Cooperation (workshops and training, working groups);
- UN Classification systems and mechanisms (Classifications Hotline, Classifications Registry, Website, monitoring mechanisms on use of classifications).

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-11:30 Discussions and comments on Item 3

11:30-13:00 Country practices (Round table discussion)

13:00-15:00 Lunch

Item 4: ISIC, CPC 2002 UPDATE AND ISIC, CPC 2007 REVISION

15:00-16:15 Presentation by the UNSD:

- Summary of the latest ISIC, CPC versions (ISIC 3.1, CPC 1.1),
 summary of changes, impact and implications of changes, relationship to other classifications, such as HS, SITC, BOP, COICOP;
- ISIC and CPC 2007 revision process:
 - Process, the three rounds of consultation;
 - Discussions and decisions on the ISIC and CPC underlying concepts;
 - Discussion of the top structure as presented in ISIC Rev. 4 draft.

16:15-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-17:00 Discussion

17:00-18:00 Country practices (Round table discussion)

THURSDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

<u>Item 5</u>: ISIC 2007 REVISION: PRESENTATION OF ISIC REV. 4 DRAFT DETAIL

09:30-10:15 Presentation by the UNSD:

- A summary of detail as presented in ISIC Rev.4 draft;
- A discussion of sections A, B, and section C except for division 33
 (Repair, maintenance and installation of machinery and equipment).

10:15-10:45 Discussion

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

<u>Item 5</u>: ISIC 2007 REVISION: PRESENTATION OF ISIC REV. 4 DRAFT DETAIL (cont'd)

11:00-12:00 Presentation by the UNSD:

- Division 33 of section C in connection with section S;
- Sections E and K.

12:00-12:30 Discussion

12:30-14:30 Lunch

<u>Item 5</u>: ISIC 2007 REVISION: PRESENTATION OF ISIC REV. 4

DRAFT DETAIL (cont'd)

14:30-15:15 Presentations by the UNSD: Sections N, O and T

15:15-15:30 Discussion

Item 6: CPC 2007 REVISION

15:30-16:15 Presentation by the UNSD:

- Proposals for its revision regarding concepts, structure, detail;
- Process and questionnaire.

16:15-16:30 Coffee break

Item 6: CPC 2007 REVISION (cont'd)

16:30-16:45 Discussion

16:45-17:30 Country practices (Round table discussion)

FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER

Item 7: REVISION OF ISCO

09:30-10:45 Presentation by the ILO: Revision of ISCO classification, processes, working

groups, problems.

10:45-11:15 Discussion

11:15-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:30 Country practices (Round table discussion)

12:30-14:30 Lunch

<u>Item 8:</u> UN LIST OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS

14:30-15:00 Presentation by the UNSD:

- Current status of international data collection for industrial commodities;
- Revision of the United Nations List of selected industrial products:
 - anticipated changes;
 - data collection issues.

15:00-15:30 Discussion

<u>Item 9:</u> COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CLASSIFICATIONS IN THE ECE REGION

15:30-16:00 Presentation by the UNSD and the UNECE: Practical problems and solutions and intra-regional cooperation in the adaptation of the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC) and the Central Product Classification (CPC) in the ECE countries.

16:00-16:15 Coffee break

16:15-16:45 Discussion

16:45-17:00 <u>Item 10</u>: FUTURE WORK

- Follow-up on questions raised during the workshop;
- Future cooperation in the region and on the international level;
- Planning of follow-up actions.

17:00-17:10 Item 11: OTHER BUSINESS

17:10-17:20 <u>Item 12</u>: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT
