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‘Development of Ukrainian statistical methodologies in line with EU Standards’

ACHIEVING BENCHMARKS SUCCESSFULLY STARTED

Dear reader,

With this 4th quarter it is a pleasure for me to inform you that we have completed the first component and carried out 13 activities.

There were 10 missions, where experts from the statistical offices in Spain, Lithuania, Slovak Republic and Denmark worked together with their Ukrainian colleagues in Kyiv and Lviv. Furthermore, we organized two study visits to our colleagues at Statistics Sweden in Stockholm. This totals almost 70 per cent of the originally planned activities performed during the implementation of our Twinning Project.

The 3rd Steering Committee meeting took place on September 25, 2012. On the agenda was the state of play of the project implementation as well as discussion of future prospects. Another im-

As we are getting closer to the completion of the project in the spring 2013, we are getting closure of the first project components. Some weeks ago the experts on Production Statistics from Statistics Lithuania and Statistics Denmark carried out their final mission. I would like to use the opportunity to say thank you to them: You made a great job! With your support the Ukrainian specialists achieved their mandatory results and developed:

- Draft industrial production list based on CPA and PRODCOM 2008
- Draft methodology for time series recalculations.

I would like to end this newsletter by – as usual – inviting you to visit our webpage dst.dk/ukraine. We continuously update the webpage with new presentations and mission reports from all active-

Thirteen completed activities:

National Accounts: Danish experts consulted on estimates for production accounts and income generation and started an assessment on tabular approach to exhaustiveness of data

Capital Investment: Swedish expert made some analysis of real data sets on capital investment. This work continued at the study visit to Statistics Sweden.

HICP: Slovak and Danish experts assessed on introducing HICP in Ukraine and improved knowledge and practical skills of the SSSU experts regarding the basic methodological principles and stages.

Production statistics: Lithuanian and Danish experts considered the industrial production statistics lists developed according to the EU standard.

Dissemination database: Danish expert assessed a common database with statistical information created by Lviv Region Department as very successful. Next step is to prepare a strategy for future development for both the regional level and the SSSU.

Salaries and wages: Danish experts discussed the Labour Cost Index and started preparing the seminar with the users in March 2013.

Business register: Danish and Lithuanian experts drafted together with their Ukrainian colleagues the methodology for compilation of the population of active enterprises for statistical observations according to NACE Rev.2.

Foreign Direct Investment: At the study visit to Statistics Sweden the sampling of the investment survey was presented to the SSSU staff.

Respondent Burden: Danish and Lithuanian experts drafted methodology on the establishment of feedback with respondents.

Tourism Statistics: Spanish experts consulted SSSU staff on drafting of the methodological recommendations on compilation of tourism satellite account

Steering Committee Meeting 3rd quarter: Representatives of the SSSU, Statistics Denmark, EU Delegation to Ukraine and Twinning Programme Administrative Office (PAO) met on 25 September 2012 and discussed the current state of the project implementation.

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portant outcome of the meeting was to draw some preliminary conclusions and first recommendations in order to ensure the sustainability of the project's results.

Another highlight of this quarter was the SSSU-organized Conference of the International Association for Official Statistics (IAOS) that took place in Kyiv on 12-14 of September 2012. It was a unique opportunity to meet senior management of international statistical authorities and follow exciting presentations. I am thrilled that we in connection with the conference succeeded in organizing a bi-lateral meeting between Mr Osaulenko, Director-General of SSSU and Mr Plovsing, Director-General of Statistics Denmark. They discussed the current state of the project.



ties carried out. You can also see our working calendar, where the dates for the next 20 missions are planned for the upcoming period.

Furthermore, I would like to welcome you on [facebook.com/twinning.statistics](https://www.facebook.com/twinning.statistics). Here you have a unique opportunity to see photos from activities carried out and become updated on project events.

See you in the next newsletter that will come in February!

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