Programme for B1 mission 14-17 March 2016

Position analysis and presentation of experiences

Day	Hour	Subject
Mon **14-03-16**	08:30	Welcome and introduction to ICBS Presentation of participants
	08:50	**BC:** Introduction to component B; Current status for the physical data research centres in Jerusalem and Haifa; Current status for Remote Access facility - for MUC files and at the Bank of Israel; Visions for research services and micro data in Israel (Sigalit Mazeh)
	09:45	Coffee break
	10:15	**BC:** Current Legal status, legal initiatives for changes to the statistical ordinance, current offers to researchers - PUF, MUC, RR (Brian Negin)
	11:15	**BC:** Technological situation today and past experience: remote access, research rooms with standalone computers, Bank of Israel remote access research room (Itzik Goldstein)
	12:00	Lunch break
	13:15	**MS:** General introduction to research services in Denmark including organisational structure (numbers, skills and competences) (Ivan Thaulow)
	15:00	Closing remarks of day 1

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Tue **15-03-16**	09:00	**MS:** Day 1 summary (Ivan Thaulow)
	9:15	**MS:** Presentation of Technological infrastructures and security in Denmark (Bo Guldager)
	10:15	**MS:** Presentation of research services and micro data in Nordic countries (Ivan Thaulow) and EUROSTAT (Charlotte Nielsen)
	10:45	Coffee break
	11:00	**MS:** Presentation of research services and micro data strategy in Denmark (Ivan Thaulow and Bo Guldager)
	12:00	Lunch break
	13:00	**MS:** Workflows and processes including interactions with internal actors (subject units, IT, finance and administrative units) and external actors (Researchers, Ministries, data providers) (Ivan Thaulow and Bo Guldager)
	14:15	**MS:** Legal framework / necessary legal considerations for providing access to de-identified micro data in Denmark, authorisation and approval of research projects (Ivan Thaulow).
	15:00	Coffee break
	15:15	**BC/MS:** Discussing challenges (Part 1 - research services) 1. Bureaucratic processes: unacceptable delays in authorisation and approval of research projects, 2. Lack of formal/institutional responsibility: service provided by different units, not dedicated / committed to research, 3. design of data, 4. output control. 5. Multiple Management needs: permissions, researchers' workspaces, research data, metadata and databases, request handling (administrative requests and data outputs), procedures and workflows, monitoring (request handling and research activities), integration and automation issue.
	16:00	**BC/MS:** Closing remarks of day 2

Day	Hour	Subject
Wed **16-03-16**	08:30	**MS:** Day 2 summary (Ivan Thaulow)
	08:45	**BC/MS:** Discussing challenges (Part 2 – IT) 1. Insufficient computer resources 2. Multiple Management needs: software, hardware, helpdesk, procedures and workflows, monitoring (request handling and research activities), integration and automation issues
	09:45	Coffee break
	10:00	**MS:** Presentation of the business plan at Research services at Statistics Denmark - including Cost and pricing structure (Ivan Thaulow)
	11:00	**BC/MS:** Outline for at future framework at ICBS for Technical Infrastructure and information security
	12:00	Lunch break
	13:15	**BC/MS:** Outline for a future ICBS organisational structure, including requirements for the research unit staff – numbers, skills and competences
	14:15	**BC/MS:** Outline for possible future ICBS strategy: by data confidentiality level, access method, readymade data v.s. ad hoc design, security constraints, legal frameworks etc
	15:00	**BC/MS:** Conclusions and decisions of day 3

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Thu **17-03-16**	08:30	**MS:** Day 3 summary (Ivan Thaulow)
	08:45	**BC/MS:** Outline for a program for providing researchers with access to micro-data in Israel - actors, workflows and processes
	09:45	Coffee break
	10:00	**BC/MS:** Drafting a recommendation for a work plan (workflow, legal framework, organizational unit, IT Solutions)
	11:00	**BC/MS:** Detailed overview and time schedule (including deadlines) of the remaining activities in the component prepared (Taking the outcome of the proposal for possibly funding to establish a Remote Access Facility for MUC files into considerations)
	12:00	Lunch break
	14:00	**BC/MS:** Presentation of the proposed recommendations, work plan and component B updated program
	15:00	**BC/MS:** Debriefing and activity conclusion

BC = Beneficiary Country (Israel)
MS = Member State (Denmark)

PUF = Public Use Files
MUC = Micro data Under Contract
ICBS = Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics
IT = Information Technologies
RR = (Physical) Research Room