



Newsletter on International Consulting

Energy Statistics in Croatia



An EU twinning project between The Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship in Croatia as the beneficiary institution, and Statistics Denmark as implementing party commenced in February 2010. The project focus is the methodology for energy administrative data management related to EU regulations. The overall objective is to implement the *Acquis communautaire* and harmonize the legislation for the energy sector in administrative data management, in order to provide adequate information to the Government of Croatia and the EU. The development of this national system of coordinated administrative registers on energy usage and related management information systems will require a tight cooperation between the respective authorities in Croatia.

The resident twinning adviser took office on the notification day. A kick-off meeting was held on 23 March. This meeting was attended some 30 representatives of partners and beneficiaries in the project including Mrs Gordana Telenta (Head of Project Implementaiton Unit), Mr Bo Weber (Danish Amabssador to Croatia), Mr Jean-Marie Moreau (First Secretary of the EU Delegation to Croatia), Mr Branimir Horacek (Director of the Enrgy Directorate), as well as the respective project leaders and the resident twinning adviser. The meeting was well covered in the national press the day after.



The Danish Amabssador Mr Bo Weber addresses the kick-off meeting with the resident twinning advise rMr Klaus Balslve Pedersen, as interested listener

Twinning Light in Ukraine



Statistics Denmark has with the support from the Central Statistics Bureau of Latvia implemented at six months Twinning Light project with the State Statistics Committee of Ukraine (SSCU).

The project which started in December 2009 has now been finalized and the benchmarks of the three components of the project were achieved. The three topics included:

1. Financial and non-financial accounts

SSCU received advice on the compilation of financial and non-financial accounts. New methodologies have been developed to ensure that the future work of SSCU is more in compliance with the EU standards.

2. Structural business statistics

SSCU received advice on how to improve the methodologies for two specific structural business indicators: “production value” and “value-added at factor costs”. Recommendations have also been given on how to improve the businesses questionnaire in order to capture new EU regulations which will take effect in 2011.

3. Self-assessment on the compliance with the European Statistics Code of Practice

SSCU has recently made a self-assessment against the principles of the European Statistics Code of Practice. A review was made of the self-assessment and it was concluded that SSCU carried out the self-assessment in a conscientious way. The review of the self-assessment confirmed that SSCU is working in accordance with international practice. A national version of the principles of official statistics has been developed by SSCU.



St. Michael's Monastery in Kiev