

Annex A1 - 2 Programme for A1

Vision, Mission, Policy and Strategy for Quality

Mon 11-04-16	Hour	Overall Subject: Introduction to Quality Management of Official Statistics including Status and Vision in ICBS (and in the NSS) <i>Participants: The invited speakers, MS experts and the Twinning team of Component A</i> Location: Conference room on the 4th floor, ICBS
	08:30	Welcome and Introduction to ICBS, by Batia Attali and Charlotte Nielsen <i>Presentation of participants (all)</i>
	09:00	BC: Previous Twinning Work on Quality and the Larger Context of Modernization¹, by Batia Attali BC/MS: Questions
	09:30	BC: The Roles of the Methodology Department in Quality Assurance and Documentation¹, by Luisa Burck BC/MS: Questions
	10:00	BC: Quality in the NSS¹, by Ari Paltiel BC/MS: Questions
	10:30	Coffee break
	10:45	BC: The Israel Annual Abstract, the Glossary¹, by Sigalit Maze BC/MS: Questions
	11:15	BC: The Metadata Work and Management, with a focus on dictionaries, by Limor Louie (IT Department) BC/MS: Questions
	12:00	Lunch break
	13:15	BC: Metadata in ICBS Website¹, by Mirit Cohen BC/MS: Questions
	13:45	BC: Total Quality Management and EFQM¹, by Elana Dror BC/MS: Questions
	14:15	BC/MS: Discussion moderated by Lars Thygesen assisted by Karin Wenche Schytte Blix: Key-words - General discussion on presentations, incl. organizational and practical impact on the implementation of CoP in ICBS (overarching activities and the statistical production and dissemination activities, highlighting subjects and challenges)
	15:15	BC/MS: Closing Remarks on Objectives and Strategy for Quality Management of Official Statistics in ICBS and in the NSS by Lars Thygesen

¹ Overview of work done, actors, tools used, next steps planned, vision for future, main expected challenges

Tue 12-04-16	Hour	Overall Subject: Presentation of The Twinning Project - Component A on Quality Management of Official Statistics to the top management and other designated staff members at ICBS - Benefit, Strategy and Implementation <i>Participants: The top management and designated ICBS staff members, MS experts and the Twinning team of Component A</i> Location: Golan conference room, ICBS
	08:30	BC: Preparation for the opening session
	09:30	MS: Day 1 Summary, by Lars Thygesen and Karin Wenche Schytte Blix
	10:15	Coffee break
	10:30	MS: Overview of Quality Management of Official Statistics - Benefit and Requirement, by Lars Thygesen Introduction to CoP for developing, producing and disseminating statistics, and experiences from EU member states including Denmark. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Institutional Environment</i> • <i>Quality of Statistical Processes</i> • <i>Quality of Statistical Outputs</i> • Organizational Structures • Mechanisms for coordination with the NSS • Quality Management • Capacity building
	11:15	MS: Quality Assurance Framework and Self-Assessment, GAMSOGSBPM, Modernization, Metadata Management, by Lars Thygesen and Karin Wenche Schytte Blix
	12:00	Lunch break
	13:15	MS: Overview of the Practical Implementation and Workflow for Quality Management of Official Statistics, by Karin Wenche Schytte Blix <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlight of main topics and challenges for the organization, seen from an experienced expert point of view • Tools, skills and costs (work days)
	14:00	Coffee break
	14:15	MS/BC: Discussion moderated by Lars Thygesen Subjects covered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal organizational structure including a designated unit, referents in ICBS and in the NSS, task forces and committees (with well-defined mandates) • Working procedures, scope of statistical products, methods, tools for all interfaces • Recommendations for a clear and operational definition of a statistical product subject to quality assurance • Resource requirement and commitment
	15:15	BC/MS: Closing Remarks of day 2

Thur 14-04-16	Hour	Subject: Seminar with the Public Council for Statistics and the NSS <i>Invited parties: The members of the Public Council for Statistics and representatives of the NSS, MS experts and the Twinning team of component A²</i> Location: Arbel conference room, ICBS
	10:00	BC: The Role of National Statistics in Israel, Core Statistics and Official Statistics, the National Background (including the accession to the OECD and the EU-ENP membership), by Yoel Finkel
	10:35	MS: The European Experience, by Lars Thygesen and Karin Wenche Schytte Blix: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is quality at the NSS level? What are the challenges? • The Twinning Project on Quality in the NSS • The expected benefits earned by participating in quality activities
	11:10	MS: Reference to the International Arena and especially to the EU and Future OECD Activities to Ensure Comparable and Reliable National Data, by Lars Thygesen
	11:45	BC: Introduction to the CoP and to the Quality Framework, by Ari Paltiel and Batia Attali
	12:20	BC/MS: Panel Discussion <i>Panel members: Lars Thygesen, Karin Blix and Yoel Finkel</i>
	13:00	End of the NSS workshop
		Subject: Summarizing Activity A1 <i>Participants: The Twinning component team and Brian Negin</i> Location: ?
	13:00	MS: Debriefing on activity A1, incl. Recommendations by Lars Thygesen and Karin Wenche Schytte Blix. MS/BC: Subjects, Time Schedule and Experts for the Remaining Activities in the Component. Essential issues to be covered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The legal context of component A: Will it be OK not to address legal matters until Activity A9 (in November 2017) or is it needed beforehand? • If time - ICBS expectations from Activity A2, selection of experts based on ICBS input, availability of MS experts and of ICBS staff members. Date for the activity • Other issues to be addressed <i>Participants: The Twinning component team and Brian Negin</i>
	14:00	End of A1 activity

² Presentations by ICBS will be in Hebrew. Professional simultaneous translation will be provided