



INVITATION

The National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia and the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Armenia have the pleasure of inviting you to the opening ceremony of the twinning project "Forwarding Armenian Statistics Through Twinning", financed under EU ENPI 2008 Programme for Armenia.

The opening ceremony will be held on 16 March 2011 at 14³⁰ at the Congress Hotel, Ballroom Hall, 1 Italy Str., Yerevan.

The objective of this project worth € 1,000,000 is to support the National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia through institutional twinning with the aim of upgrading specific elements of the Armenian system of official statistics. This objective will be reached through the introduction of a comprehensive management framework, and new compilation methodologies closely aligned to European Union standards. The expected results of the project are:

- Metadata and quality indicators for all major collections of the NSSRA will be collected, systematized, and published on the NSSRA website;
- The statistical business register will be reorganized, the statistical forms of the structural business survey restructured, and the reporting burden reduced;
- The coverage of the Armenian national accounts will be improved;
- The agricultural census will be planned and rolled out;
- A harmonized consumer price index for Armenia will be developed;
- A survey of enterprises' and institutions' use of information and communication technologies will be implemented and the results published.

Mr. Raul de Luzenberger, Head of the European Delegation to the Republic of Armenia; Mr. Michael Borg-Hansen, Danish Ambassador to Ukraine, Georgia, and Armenia; Mr. Jan Plovsing, Director General of Statistics Denmark; and Mr. Stepan Mnatsakanyan, President of the National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia will address the participants.

The full Agenda for the Opening Ceremony is attached to this invitation.

Please confirm your participation in the Opening Ceremony at your earliest convenience to Resident Twinning Adviser, Mr. Thomas Bie, tbi@dst.dk, or telephone (0)95 595 394.

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