

## Forthcoming meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians

### **Meeting on migration statistics (Geneva, 25–27 April 1983)**

The meeting will review progress made by countries in implementing the international recommendations on international migration statistics and in improving the coverage and international comparability of their immigration and emigration statistics. It will also exchange views on national experiences and plans for improving their statistics on migration flows within the framework of the international recommendations, and propose and elaborate plans for possible bilateral and multilateral studies of differences in the size of a migration flow as reported by the sending country on the one hand and by the receiving country on the other hand.

### **Meeting on general methodological problems of environmental statistics (Helsinki, May 1983)**

The meeting will be held in Helsinki (Finland) upon invitation by the Government of Finland. The meeting will discuss individual methodological problems in connection with the identification and definition of environmental parameters and with the collection of environmental data through random sampling and through monitoring networks.

### **Meeting on food and agricultural statistics in Europe (Geneva, 2–6 May 1983)**

The fourteenth session of the Study Group on Food and Agricultural Statistics in Europe, co-sponsored by FAO, the ECE Committee on Agricultural Problems and the Conference of European Statisticians, will discuss the problem involved in the compilation of statistics of the agricultural population and of all aspects of the use of labour in agriculture. The meeting will consider appropriate recommendations taking into account the results of the thirteenth International Conference of Labour Statisticians. The Study Group will also review its programme of work for the years 1984–1988.

**Meeting on manpower statistics** (Geneva, 16–20 May 1983)

This meeting will be convened jointly by the Conference of European Statisticians and the International Labour Organization. It will discuss statistics of gross flows, problems of seasonal adjustments of employment and unemployment statistics, problems in collecting, comparing and analyzing strike statistics, and different measures of labour input and their links with national accounts and balances.

**Meeting on statistics of air quality** (Geneva, 25–27 May 1983)

The meeting is convened (i) to review the WHO Manual on Industrial Air Pollutants from Industrial Sources from a statistical viewpoint; (ii) to study statistical possibilities for the description of long-range transport of air pollutants; and (iii) to identify methodological problems in the field of air quality statistics. The meeting is expected to give guidance to future work by the Conference on these topics.

**Meeting on statistics of engineering industries and automation** (Geneva, 30 May–1 June 1983)

The meeting is convened jointly by the Conference of European Statisticians and the ECE Working Party on Engineering Industries and Automation. It will consider (i) work at the international level concerning the harmonization of relevant international nomenclatures; (ii) international co-operation in the ECE region on the harmonization of concepts, questionnaires, data collection, etc., in the field of engineering and automation; (iii) methodological aspects of statistics on engineering industries, and collection and publication by the ECE secretariat of statistics on engineering industries and automation.

**Thirty-first plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians** (Geneva, 13–17 June 1983)

The Conference will consider the following topics in substantive discussions:

- (i) the role, purpose and implications of analytical and parastatistical work (e.g. economic forecasts, administration of registers) in statistical agencies;
- (ii) legal and technical instruments for the protection of data and of privacy, and consequences on the statistical use and the linkage of data banks.

The Conference will also review the work accomplished during the period July 1982–June 1983, and prepare a revised programme of work for 1983/84–1987/88.