

Forthcoming meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians

Consultation on the European Comparison Programme (Vienna, Austria, April 1994)

This consultation will discuss methodological and organizational problems encountered in the ongoing 1993–1995 round of the ECP and reviews experiences that newcomers have gained since they joined the programme.

Seminar on integrated statistical information systems and related matters – ISIS '94 (Bratislava, Slovakia, May 1994)

The Seminar will discuss (i) methods and techniques in data collection and capture including means of exchange statistical information electronically, (ii) data processing architecture for statistical processing including use of microcomputers and 'right-sizing', and (iii) user-interfaces, including security and confidentiality, dissemination and marketing. Furthermore, the Seminar also aims to support operational projects of sub-programme 3.2.2 – Statistical Computing Programme – of the programme of work of the Conference of European Statisticians.

Meeting on health statistics (May 1994)

This will be the fifth meeting on health statistics that the conference has convened jointly with the WHO Regional Office of Europe. The participants will discuss problems encountered by countries in implementing the International Classification of Diseases and the International Classification of Impairments, Disabilities and Handicaps, and the development of indicators for evaluating the WHO Regional Strategy for Health for All by the Year 2000. Discussion will also focus on the integration of social and economic statistics in the field of health, and the development and use of statistical information systems for monitoring health services.

Work session on projections (May/June 1994)

This work session has been convened by the conference jointly with Eurostat, and will be held in Luxembourg. The participants will review possibilities of applying new methodological approaches in micro- and macro-simulation models for national and sub-national projections, labour force and labour demand projections, and pro-

jections of households and families. They will also discuss uses made of demographic projections by policy makers.

Plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians (June 1994)

The 42nd plenary session of the conference will be held at the OECD in Paris this year, at the invitation of the OECD. This is the first time that the conference will meet in plenary session outside of Geneva. The conference will have an in-depth discussion of statistical planning and priority setting, and is expected to propose a minimum programme of basic statistics for countries in the initial stages of transition to market-based economies. It will also review an integrated presentation of the statistical work programmes of international organizations undertaking work in the ECE region.