

# Forthcoming meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians

## **1. Working Party on the FSDS (Geneva, May 1987)**

The ninth session of the Working Party on the framework for the integration of social and demographic statistics (FSDS) is expected to discuss links among economic, social and demographic statistics and the development and use of social accounting matrices, statistics of time use and their utilization in the study of specific social and economic phenomena, and recent work at the national and international levels, on social indicators and social reporting. It will review recent work on the development and harmonization of concepts, definitions and classifications in health and cultural statistics.

## **2. Meeting on statistics of women (Geneva, May 1987)**

This meeting will consider national experiences in using time use surveys to derive information relating to the situation and condition of women. It will review methods of measuring women's contribution to household income and experiments in estimating the monetary value of housework, domestic chores and other home-based activities, and exchange experiences on estimates of women's underemployment.

## **3. Meeting on methodological problems of environment statistics (Warsaw, June 1987)**

The Government of Poland invited the meeting to Warsaw. It will review selected methods in the fields of water quality statistics. Linkage of environment to other statistics and the compilation of generalized environment statistics are other substantive items on the agenda.

## **4. Eighteenth session of the Study Group on Food and Agricultural Statistics in Europe (Geneva, June 1987)**

On the basis of national experiences and the FAO manuals on the estimation of crop area yields, on the methodology of crop forecasting and on the applica-

tion of remote sensing in agricultural statistics, the Study Group will discuss problems of forecasting in agricultural statistics and quality control as well as measures of accuracy of statistics (margins of error). It will also consider the co-ordination of data collection and harmonization of international questionnaires in the field of agricultural statistics.

**5. Thirty-fifth plenary session of the Conference of European Statisticians (Geneva, June 1987)**

The heads of the national statistical offices in the region will discuss interrelation between statistical services and emerging networks of databases, as well as the impact of EDP on statistical methodology and survey techniques. An in-depth review of the development and linking of different systems of national accounts and balances will be held. The Conference will review and amend its programme of work for the coming years.

**6. Meeting on general energy statistics (Geneva, September 1987)**

The meeting will review the publication programme of ECE in the field of energy statistics. The purpose of the review is the identification of both gaps and redundancies in that programme. Proposals for remedial action are expected to result from the meeting.