

State of debate and standard table for EGSS

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Existing guidance

Handbooks

- OECD/Eurostat manual 1999
- Eurostat handbook 2009
- SEEA 2012
- New ILO guidelines (Oct. 2013)
- Eurostat practical guide 2013 (minimalistic method 'survey-free')

Classifications (EP and RM is covered)

- **CEPA** (OK will eventually need some fine-tuning of explanatory notes)
- CReMA and provisional part of CEA for resource management
- Categories (producers, products) (some categories not that helpful,
 e.g. specialist producers as very many EGSS producers are not specialist –
 shares rather than specialisation principle; or sole purpose products,
 environmental technologies breakdown none required by EU Regulation)

Is what we have good for now or do we need more?

Work in countries

A lot but few so far make comprehensive estimates

Presentations to come by Netherlands, Sweden, France

Methods quite variable

- Some have specific surveys
- Some use registers (or make their special EGSS registers) but without survey
- Some use only existing sources often activity-based

Demand varies at national level

- Markets, jobs, exports sometimes with focus on specific sectors (renewable energy)
- Increasingly related to green economy, partly going beyond EGSS

Often jobs are the key interest



Outstanding issues

- Comprehensive estimates require data integration do we need more conceptual guidance on how e.g. 'environmental technologies' relate to the capital formation for EPE, terms we use in different modules (adapted, cleaner products...)?
- Scope (only 'natural' resources e.g. forests/timber; natural hazards out – only forest fires in, water supply?)
- Classification for RM part (to split basic data by resources requires heroism – is lower data quality really worth it – do users need monetary data by resource – e.g. recycling activities by materials?) Shall we test first or rush to change classifications?
- EGSS and green economy. How do you see this?
- Simple core table proposed: industries by environmental domains for output, jobs, exports, VA – is that enough?

LET US RETURN TO THESE QUESTIONS DURING OR AFTER THE COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS

