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Who are the Oslo Group members?
International Workshop on Energy Statistics

• UN meeting
• Aguascalientes, Mexico, 2-5 December 2008
• Part of the consultation process on IRES.
• Serve as a forum for particular developing countries to actively contribute to preparation of IRES

• Objectives:
  – Review chapters for IRES
  – Review country practices
  – Identify main difficulties from the country perspective
  – Make progress on making IRES applicable for all countries irrespectively of the level of development of their statistical systems.
OG4 - Ottawa

- Ottawa, Canada, 2-6 February 2009
- Topics:
  - Revision of IRES
  - Challenges for the development of official energy statistics
  - Cooperation with other groups
    - InterEnerStat
    - UNECE ad hoc group of experts on harmonization of fossil energy and mineral resources terminology
    - London group – presentation by UNSD on issues for SEEA-E
  - Country practises from Canada

- Development of Work Plan 2009
Work Plan 2009 – Three parts:

- Chapters for IRES
- Issue papers
  - Calorific value
  - Confidentiality
  - Prices as part of energy statistics
  - Classification of energy by purpose
  - Development of official energy statistics - Monitoring quality
  - Development of official energy statistics - Capacity building
- ESCM
  - Collect examples of use of energy statistics
  - Collect national and international best practices
Virtual meetings

• In order to keep progress we need binding consultations during 2009

• Two virtual meetings lasting 3 weeks (at OG-website).
  – VM1: 31 August – 18 September
  – VM2: 9 – 27 November

• All points at the Work Plan 2009 are designated to one of the two virtual meetings (with a few exceptions directly for OG5)
Welcome to the Oslo Group Website

The UN Statistical Commission approved at its 36th Session (1-4 March 2005) the establishment of two complimentary working groups to carry out the revision and further development of relevant international standards on energy statistics:

(a) the Oslo Group on Energy Statistics to contribute to the development of improved methods and international standards for national official energy statistics, and, in particular, to review and contribute to the updating of the United Nations handbooks and manuals on energy statistics (mandate);

(b) and the Intersecretariat Working Group on Energy Statistics to enhance international collaboration and coordination.

For more information on the establishment of the Oslo Group see also:

Towards the revised International Recommendations for Energy Statistics (IRES)

Background

The Oslo Group Secretariat has recently updated the site to facilitate the exchange of documents and to promote discussion during the process of revising the Energy Statistics Manuals.

The Oslo Group annually makes a report to Statistical Commission. The report for Statistical Commission in 2009 is now available.

The pages are under continuous development. Have you any suggestions or comments? Log in and comment directly on the web pages using the discussion button or write an email to Torgeir Tauten.
Cooperation with other groups 1

• InterEnerStat:
  – Process of Harmonization of definitions
  – OG: Focused on the country perspective.

• London Group:
  – Participation at LG meeting in Brussels in August 2008 (did not participate in Canberra)
  – IRES main input for SEEA-E
Cooperation with other groups 2:

• UNECE ad hoc group of experts on harmonization of fossil energy and mineral resources terminology
  – Participation and orientation from this group at OG4 in Ottawa
  – Participation and orientation from OG at the ad hoc group meeting in Geneva March 2009

• Climate change, Development and Official Statistics
  – Two meetings (Oslo 04-2008 and Seoul 12-2008)
  – Program Reviewer report (E/CN.3/2009/2) for SC 2009
  – Implications for the work of the Oslo Group
Climate process implications (and strengthening) for OG and our work:

• Climate statistics part of official statistics =>
  energy statistics must be official statistics

• Focus on user needs related to scope of energy statistics
  – Production boundary
  – Principles
  – etc.

• Collect data once – use many times (official statistics)

• Energy data collected and treated for multiple
  users/multipurpose

• Aim: Reliable, consistent, timely and comparable energy
  data available for all users

• Lead to: Consistent data in all systems
OG5 – Cork, 1 - 4 February 2010

- Hosted by Central Statistical Organisation and Sustainable Energy Ireland

- Dedicated to review of the draft IRES, and the way and process forward for IRES and ESCM

- Focus on developing official energy statistics

- Set up issues to be addressed in ESCM

- Collection of national and international best practises
Topics for continued observation

• Concepts: Energy statistics, Energy Balances, Energy Accounts
• Official statistics and official energy statistics
• Reshaping of official statistics, reuse of data and methods. Integration and coherence. How to implement for energy statistics