

Data Access for Official Statistics

Workshop on access for public bodies to privately-held data of public interest

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Premise: Official Statistics are produced by NSOs and Eurostat.

- Private data are **necessary to produce statistics necessary for the performance of the activities of the European Union, National Governments, Public Institutions, and any public policy-making organization.**
- Without access, official statistics may fall short of
 - non-excessive **burden** on respondents (P9 of CoP);
 - **cost-effectiveness** (P10 of CoP);
 - **relevance** (P11 of CoP);
 - **timeliness** and **punctuality** (P13 of CoP).

- **Full access** to (non-aggregated) **raw micro-data*** to conform to quality standards
- *Some data sources may need preprocessing
 - ↪ **Integration of data providers** into production process:
 - Data extraction/preprocessing **costs** (market regulation?)
 - Process **auditability** vs. intellectual **rights protection** and **know-how leakage** (standardisation for public processes?)
- **Legal protection** for data providers and data owners (through law enforcement to provide data in secure conditions?)
- Access **beyond official statistics** producers ↪ coordinated action from public bodies

Legal initiatives

- **Examples**

No major legal revision (already ample enough)

↪ Explicit mention to Big Data in DP regulation revision

- **Enabling legislation?**

- Law enforcement to provide data for official statistical purposes
- Extraction/preprocessing costs regulation for public purposes