



# Register of Expert Groups and Other Similar Entities

## Commission Expert Group

**Name:** Business statistics directors' group (E01560)  
(Active - Group which operates on a permanent basis)

**Abbreviation:** BSDG

**Policy Area:** Statistics

**Lead DG:** ESTAT - Eurostat

**Type:** Informal, Permanent

**Scope:** Limited

**Mission:** To advise the Commission on issues relating to the concerned area/to establish close cooperation between the statistical institutions of the Member States and the Commission/to facilitate the exchange of information, experiences and good practices.

**Task:** Assist the Commission in the preparation of legislation or in policy definition  
Coordinates with Member States, exchange of views

**Composition:** National Administrations  
Candidate country (Statistics)  
Third Country (Statistics)

**Publication in RegExp:** 14 Oct 2005

**Last updated:** 11 Dec 2014

## Additional Information

### Activity Report

All relevant documents related to the activities of the group can be found at the provided link.

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/f8a696c4-53d0-45d3-8343-6d5003be0243>

### Activity Report

Meeting in 2010: 10-11.6. Meeting in 2011: 9-10.6. Main activities: The Business Statistics Directors' Group (BSDG) plays a strategic role in orienting and coordinating the work in the area of business statistics. It is involved at an early stage in the preparation of the annual and multi-annual programmes by presenting the new statistical priorities envisaged and the possible statistical fields where simplification, reprioritisation and/or phasing-out of certain work could be envisaged. The BSDG expresses its opinion on draft legal acts prior to their submission to the ESSC for opinion and their subsequent submission for adoption by the Council and the Parliament or by the Commission. The BSDG should discuss cross-cutting technical issues of high importance. The BSDG expresses its opinion on the launch of statistical surveys on a voluntary basis. The BSDG should monitor and follow up compliance with legal acts in the area of business statistics. The BSDG will provide Member States with a forum for the exchange of best practice in the field of business statistics, by means of a seminar session during BSDG meetings.

### Selection Procedure (members)

The members of this group are the Member States, EFTA and candidate countries. It is for the authority of each country to decide on who will represent them. Representative from accession countries are invited as observers.

### Internal Rules of Procedure

New Rules of Procedures (RoP) have been adopted at the ESSC meeting in May 2013. Please find the document attached. It has been updated in the BSDG meeting of 24 June 2014. During the ESSC meeting in November 2014, the group has also updated their mandate.

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 189 kb)

[Document 2](#)

(approx. 183 kb)

## Members

### Organisation

Name of Organisation	Category	Countries/Areas represented	Membership Status
Iceland competent national authority	Candidate country	Iceland	Member
Liechtenstein competent national authority	Third Country	Liechtenstein	Member
Montenegro competent national authority	Candidate country	Montenegro	Member
Norway competent national authority	Third Country	Norway	Member
Swiss Federal Statistical Office	Third Country	Switzerland	Member
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia competent national authority	Candidate country	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Member
Turkey competent national authority	Candidate country	Turkey	Member
Agency for Statistics	Third Country	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Observer
Institute of Statistics	Third Country	Albania	Observer
Statistical Office	Third Country	Kosovo	Observer
Statistical Office	Third Country	Serbia	Observer

### National administrations

Country		Membership Status
Austria	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Belgium	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Bulgaria	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Croatia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Cyprus	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Czech Republic	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Denmark	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Estonia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Finland	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
France	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Germany	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Greece	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Hungary	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Ireland	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Italy	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Latvia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Lithuania	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Luxembourg	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Malta	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Netherlands	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Poland	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Portugal	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Romania	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovakia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovenia	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Spain	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Sweden	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
United Kingdom	0 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

## Subgroups

No Subgroups assigned to this group.

## Statistics

### Number of Members: 35

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	7		
National administrations:	28		

### Number of Alternate Members: 0

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	0		
National administrations:	0		

### Number of Observers: 4

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	4		
National administrations:	0		