

Eurostat Statistics

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Morning session for basic users of statistics (general public)

9:30 – 10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:40 Eurostat statistics and their uses

Timothy Allen, Eurostat Communication Unit

10:40 – 11:10 PORDATA as an interface for Eurostat data

Mónica Santos, PORDATA

11:10 - 11:40 Q&A period

Afternoon session for advanced users of statistics (experts)

14:00 – 14:30 Registration

14:30 – 15:10 Eurostat statistics and their uses in various EU procedures

Timothy Allen, Eurostat Communication Unit

15:10 – 15:40 Statistics Portugal: within and beyond the European Statistics

Pinto Martins, Statistics Portugal (NSI)

15:40 - 16:10 Q&A period

Format:

Decisions on Community policies must be based on reliable and comparable country and regional statistics. On the one hand, decision-makers need statistics to make evidence based decisions. On the other hand, the public and media need statistics for an accurate picture of contemporary society and to evaluate the performance of politicians and others.

Therefore, the European Statistical System (ESS) was built up gradually with the objective of providing comparable statistics at EU level. The ESS is the partnership between the Community statistical authority, Eurostat, and the national statistical institutes (NSIs) responsible in each Member State for the development, production and dissemination of European statistics. The ESS functions as a network in which Eurostat's role is to lead the way in the harmonisation of statistics in close cooperation with NSIs. ESS work concentrates mainly on EU policy areas - but, with the extension of EU policies, harmonisation has been extended to nearly all statistical fields.

Regulation (EC) N° 223/2009 constitutes the legal basis for the preparation of the European statistical programme, providing the framework for the development, production and dissemination of European statistics for five years cycles. The current statistical programme covers the period 2013-2017.

This event will have two sessions targeted to different audiences.

The morning session is targeted to the civil society in general (e.g. media, social partners) aiming to present Eurostat's main products, such as press releases, notes and databases. The focus will be on the use of simple interfaces for data presentation/exploration. For that reason, a representative from PORDATA, developed by Foundation Francisco Manuel dos Santos, will discuss how this foundation has managed to integrate seamlessly Eurostat sources into its portal.

The afternoon session is targeted to a more technical audience (e.g. public administration, regulators, academia). Besides providing a discussion on how to use Eurostat's datasets in major EU procedures (e.g. SGP and MIP), it also address some technical issues such as on how to make data extractions using the internet interface or on how to request Eurostat for tailor made data extractions. The Portuguese NSI (INE) will be invited to make a brief presentation on its activities, particularly those related to major procedures (e.g. SGP and MIP), and their articulation with the European statistical program coordinated by Eurostat.

The audience will be invited to ask questions at the end of both sessions.

In the two sessions, English and Portuguese will be the working languages. Interpretation PT-EN-PT will be available.