Session 1 Reforms and prospects of statistics

Official statistics in the current information environment

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Introduction



- Changing role of NSOs
- Multi-source statistics access to administrative registers and privately held data
- Misuse of data and misinformation
- New technologies AI, open-source software, cloud computing, geospatial data
- Disaggregation, leaving no-one behind Sources:

Future of NSOs (May 2025)

Changing role of NSOs



- Institutional setting, legislative mandates
- Integrated data from different subject areas
- Public data governance, 'once only' principle
- Staff and their skills

Sources:

Data stewardship and the role of NSOs in new data ecosystem (2024)

Assessing and understanding the value of official statistics (2019)

Guidance on Modernizing Statistical Legislation (2019) English Russian Generic Statistical Law (2016) English-French-Russian

Multi-source official statistics



- Change to the way statistics is produced:
 - Access to administrative registers
 - Access to privately held data
 - => multi-source official statistics
- Innovations in survey-taking

Sources:

HLG-MOS project 'Road map to multi-source statistics' (2025, to come)

CES seminar on innovations in survey-taking (Session 5, 2025)

Misuse of data and misinformation



- Misinformation disinformation malinformation
- 4th Fundamental Principle of Official Statistics statistical agencies are entitled to comment on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics.
- Strategy needed

Sources:

CES seminar on misinformation/disinformation (Session 4)

New technologies



- AI
 - Making data processing more effective
 - Changing how information is consumed in society
- Open source
 - NSOs changing their internal system (transitioning to R or python)
 - NSOs developing solutions together

Sources: HLG-MOS LinkedIn page; HLG-MOS web page

- ML for Official Statistics (2022)
- LLM for Official Statistics (2023)
- Generative AI for Official Statistics (2025 to come out soon)
- Guiding Principles for Statistical Open Source Software (2025)
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Data disaggregation



- SDGs, leaving no-one behind
- Subnational statistics
- Other public data producers, e.g.cities

Sources on access to admin data



- Hard-to reach groups in administrative sources (2023, in-depth review)
 English Russian
- Guidelines for assessing the quality of administrative sources for use in censuses (2021) <u>English Russian</u>
- Guidelines on the use of registers and administrative data for population and housing censuses (2018) <u>English Russian</u>
- Guidelines on the use of statistical business registers for business demography and entrepreneurship statistics (2019) <u>English</u>
- Guidelines on Statistical Business Registers (2015) English Russian



Thank you!

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