

Session on statistics conference RAS and Petrostat

29 January 2014 (14.00-17.00)

(I direction: Role of statistical data in the global world)

«International comparisons of statistical indicators of Russia and the EU: achievements, challenges and solutions»

Goal – consolidate the efforts of the countries participating in comparisons and explore effective instruments for constructing regular comparisons of statistical data, introducing EU statistical indicators in the Russian practice, popularization of statistics.

Objectives:

Discuss challenges, appearing during the collaborative calculations of indexes, indicators, comparisons of statistical data; find out general solutions, the possibility of creating “compendium” and/or “glossarium” to compare indicators of Eurostat and Rosstat.

Directions for discussion (speakers and opponents)

- **Borders for possible comparison.** Methodic problems of statistical systems. Spatial division – NUTs and regions in Russia. Administrative-geographical boundaries of statistical objects. Conceptual framework – possibilities to create glossarium? Quality of life index.
- **Cross-border cooperation and interchange of data.** Interregional comparisons of cross-border regions of Russia, Finland, Poland and other countries in cooperation projects of Rosstat regional offices and international statistical offices and also in cooperation projects between Russian and EU regions.
- **Cooperation between cities and opportunities to share experiences and comparisons.** Comparative characteristic of European cities – regular city statistics URBAN AUDIT, ESPON TeMo, regional statistics of the Baltic sea, Barents sea. Publications, comparative tables on the web-site and organization of presentations.
- **Successful examples of comparisons in cooperation projects and research.** Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States experience on constructing comparative characteristics. Multinational comparisons of statistical data in statistical commissions of UN, EU. Experience of using common indicators in cooperation projects of EU and Russian regions.

Organizers: Rosstat, Petrostat, VASAB, Leontief centre

Audience: Project executives, experts, scientists

Format:

Round table, 5-6 major speakers with key speeches breaking in the topic, discussion of main directions, production of final recommendations.

Moderators:

L. Limonov, Dr. Sc. in Economics, Director-Coordinator for Research Programmes, ICSER Leontief centre

A. Yamaguti, Dr. Sc. in Economics, Professor, Kyushu University

Speakers and opponents:

Vladimir Sokolin, Chairman, Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States

International comparisons of GDP on the base of purchasing power parities

Oleg Nikiforov, Director, Petrostat

Ludmila Dmitrieva, Deputy Director, Petrostat

Cooperation experience between Petrostat and Statistical Office of Helsinki Information Center and Statistical Agency of Gdansk.

Timo Cantell, Research Director, City of Helsinki

Ari Jaakola, Statistics and Information Services Manager, City of Helsinki

The role of comparative urban statistics in promoting co-operation, understanding of the interplay of regional and international developments, and economic growth.

Anna Berlina, Research Assistant, Nordregio

Linus Martin Rispling, GIS analyst, Nordregio

Why it is challenging to use Russian data in transnational project TEMO in the Baltic Sea Region

Zaiga Krisjane, professor, University of Latvia.

Territorial statistics: usage of data and challenges for comparative research in the Baltic Sea Region

Evelina Vasileva, Saint Petersburg State University of Economics

Nuptiality and divorces trends in Russia and EU countries

Mikhail Klupt, Saint Petersburg State University of Economics

International comparisons of migration: challenges and solutions