Global Progress Report and Status of Submission

9th Regional Coordinators Meeting
May 22-24, 2013
Washington DC
I. Governance Activities
II. Data and Metadata Submission and Issues
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I. Governance Activities
The World Bank, on behalf of the Executive Board of the ICP, prepared and submitted a report to the 44th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) on February 27, 2013.

The Commission:

i. Acknowledged that the ICP has tremendous implications for countries, in particular in terms of developing their capacity to collect and compute price data and to compile national accounts;

ii. Expressed its appreciation to all the partners who are supporting the ICP and appealed for participants to strictly adhere to data submission timetables so that the 2011 ICP final results can be released in December 2013;

iii. Reiterated the criticality of associating metadata with relevant statistics and urged countries participating in the ICP to submit all required price and national accounts metadata in a timely manner;

iv. Expressed its appreciation of the efforts being made to ensure that the results for the 2005 round of the ICP are revised to reflect revisions of countries’ GDP expenditure data sets;
The Commission also:

i. Appreciated the increased focus on the transparency in the ICP methods and processes, welcomed the upcoming release of the book “Measuring the Real Size of the World Economy”, and urged the World Bank and regional coordinating agencies to step up their efforts to disseminate and increase the usefulness of the results of the 2011 round;

ii. Welcomed the adoption of the 2011 ICP Data Access Policy to increase the usefulness of the ICP data to the user community; and

iii. Urged the ICP Executive Board to propose a practical approach for the evaluation of the 2011 round, with the goal of building on the capacity and the momentum gained during the last two rounds of the ICP, for consideration at the forty-fifth session of the United Nations Statistical Commission in 2014.
The 8th ICP Executive Board meeting was held on February 24, 2013 in New York, and the following decisions made:

### Decisions

#### ICP timetable

i. A short report should be submitted to the Board on a bi-monthly basis.

ii. The preliminary results for Household Consumption and GDP should be circulated to the Board ahead of the release date of December 2013.

#### High-level ICP missions

i. The reports from the high-level missions should be circulated to the Board on a confidential basis.

ii. To maintain the timeline, all high-level missions should take place before the end of July 2013.

iii. Should perceived inconsistencies in data remain unresolved at the conclusion of the mission, the Global Office would document these inconsistencies in the final 2011 ICP report. The Global Office would allow countries to review the documentation language should these circumstances arise.
The 8th ICP Executive Board meeting also made the following decisions:

### Decisions

#### Comparability of the 2005 and 2011 ICP results

i. In conjunction with the 2011 ICP results, the global publication will contain revised 2005 real expenditures based on each country’s 2005 revised GDP expenditures.

ii. Analytical estimates and analysis will be published that provide the best assessment of the effects of major methodological changes between the 2005 and 2011 ICP rounds.

#### Evaluation of the 2011 Round

i. Looking beyond this round, the Executive Board agreed to propose a practical approach for the evaluation of the 2011 Round, with the goal of building on the capacity and the momentum gained during the last two rounds of the ICP, for consideration at the 45th Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission in 2014.
II. Data and Metadata Submission and Issues
Overall Objectives for Data Submission

**Priority Objective 1**
Review of preliminary global results

**Priority Objective 2**
Global validation of global core prices for HHC

**Priority Secondary Objective**
Global validation of other datasets
# Data Requirements (1)

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HHC Data Submission

HHC Global Core Prices
Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 39%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 100%
- Africa: 100%
Importance Data Submission

Importance Indicators
Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 39%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 100%
- Africa: 100%
Housing Data Submission

Volume of Housing Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 48%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 24%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 100%
- Africa: 64%

International Comparison Program
Private Education Data Submission

Private Education Submission Rate in %

- Caribbean: 52%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 91%
- Africa: 94%
Government Compensation Data Submission

Government Compensation of Employees Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 4%
- Western Asia: 92%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 0%
- Africa: 90%
Machinery and Equipment Data Submission

Machinery & Equipment Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 39%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 0%
- Africa: 56%
Construction Data Submission

Construction Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 30%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 82%
- CIS: 11%
- Asia Pacific: 0%
- Africa: 90%
BH PPPs Submission

HHC BH PPPs Submission Rate in %

- Eurostat- OECD: 100%
- Caribbean: 39%
- Western Asia: 100%
- Latin America: 94%
- CIS: 100%
- Asia Pacific: 100%
- Africa: 0%
BH Expenditures Submission

BH Expenditures

- Eurostat- OECD: 100
- Caribbean: 17
- Western Asia: 75
- Latin America: 94
- CIS: 100
- Asia Pacific: 74
- Africa: 90
Data Submission - Summary of Issues (1)

- **HHC Global Core Items**
  - The global validation of HHC global core prices will be carried out for 164 countries covering 100% in Africa, Asia-Pacific, CIS, Western Asia and Eurostat-OECD, 94% in Latin America, and 39% in Caribbean

- **Importance indicators**
  - The global validation of importance indicators includes 100% from most major regions, 94% from Latin America and 39% from Caribbean

- **Housing**
  - The global validation of the housing rental data will include 79 countries
  - The validation of the volume of housing data will be limited to 136 countries
  - Preliminary Global PPPs may not include housing because most ICP regions did not provide those PPPs

- **Private Education**
  - Data is required for ICP regions, except the Pacific Islands
  - CIS and Asia-Pacific countries collected and submitted in their HHC main survey
  - Eurostat-OECD implements a different method than ICP regions
  - Preliminary Global PPPs may not include private education because most ICP regions did not provide those PPPs
Data Submission - Summary of Issues (2)

- **Compensation of Government Employees**
  - Belated and incomplete submission of data will not allow effective validation of the relevant prices nor the computation of preliminary PPPs for government services
  - Limited to 127 countries in 6 (out of 7) regions: 100% of countries in CIS and Eurostat-OECD, 94% in Latin America, 92% in Western Asia, 90% in Africa, and 4% in Caribbean

- **Machinery and Equipment**
  - The global validation of machinery and equipment data will cover 120 countries in 6 (out of 7) regions: 100% in CIS, Western Asia, and Eurostat-OECD, 94% in Latin America, and 56% in Africa, and 39% in Caribbean

- **Construction and Civil Engineering**
  - Data is available for 77 countries representing 6 (out of 7) regions: 100% in Western Asia, 90% in Africa, 82% in Latin America, 30% in Caribbean
  - Includes all 9 Eurostat-OECD countries that volunteered to collect construction data according to the ICP method, and Russia from the CIS region
BH Expenditures

- The global BH PPPs will be aggregated to the level of HHC (minus private education and housing) using the relevant expenditure data provided by the countries (100% from Eurostat-OECD and CIS, 94% from Latin America, 90% from Africa, 75% from Western Asia, and 74% from Asia-Pacific).

- In order to include all major regions in the computation of preliminary global PPPs, the GO, on an exceptional basis, estimated the matrix of regional PPPs for Africa as well as the expenditure values for several countries in Western Asia, Latin America, Asia-Pacific and Africa.

- Expenditure data are not available for most Pacific islands so for the purposes of weighting different BH PPPs to obtain the overall HHC PPPs, weights derived from each island's CPI will be used.

All necessary regional PPPs and Expenditure data that will be used for the computation of the final global results are expected to be submitted by the RCs.
Africa Data Submission Progress

Africa Data Submission Improvement Chart

- BH Expenditures: 0 (End of February 2013), 45 (As of May 15)
- Construction: 10 (End of February 2013), 45 (As of May 15)
- Equipment: 9 (End of February 2013), 28 (As of May 15)
- Housing - Quantity: 4 (End of February 2013), 32 (As of May 15)
- Housing - Rentals: 4 (End of February 2013), 41 (As of May 15)
- Compensation of Employees: 11 (End of February 2013), 45 (As of May 15)
- Private Education: 22 (End of February 2013), 47 (As of May 15)

End of February 2013 vs. As of May 15 comparison for various categories.
Compiling the 2005 Revised GDP Expenditures

The Executive Board in its 8th meeting decided that, in conjunction with the 2011 ICP results, the global publication will contain revised 2005 real expenditures based on each country’s 2005 revised GDP expenditures.

To enable users to directly compare the 2005 and 2011 ICP results based on consistent time series estimates of GDP, the following two steps are necessary:

i. The nominal expenditures matrix at all levels from basic heading to GDP would be revised to reflect National Accounts revisions from countries.

ii. Existing Global PPPs matrix at all levels from basic heading to GDP would be applied to revised nominal expenditures matrix. The result is a new Global matrix of real expenditures (volumes).

☐ The GO indicated at the meeting that it is preparing preliminary revised 2005 GDP expenditure data based on the 2005 revised aggregates available in international databases.

☐ The Board advised that these preliminary revised 2005 GDP expenditure data need to be either revised or confirmed by the countries.

☐ Thus, the GO is simply trying to make the work of the countries easier and less burdensome, but will only use data that has been provided/ revised/ confirmed by the countries themselves.
III. Capacity-Building and Outreach Activities
“Measuring the Real Size of the World Economy” was released May 20, 2013 and is available online on the ICP website.

All 27 chapters of the ICP Operational Guide are available on the ICP website and a complete edited electronic version will be available on the ICP website by the end of June 2013.

The GO will release shortly Version 5 of the ICP Kit, which introduces various enhancements to the system.

The powerful data visualization software was introduced to the GO and will be considered for publishing the 2011 results.
## Outreach and Communication Activities

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