



Task Force on Country Operational Guidelines and Procedures

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Task Force Topics



- *Moving towards rolling price surveys*
 1. Determine the frequency of data collection (annual, biannual, quarterly) for the rolling survey for each aggregate of the GDP;
 2. Determine the requirements for the rolling price surveys and availability of national account deflators, consumer price indices (CPIs) and other price indices by GDP component to be used in the extrapolation to the reference year; and
 3. Suggest steps for statistical capacity-building to ensure that CPIs and national account deflators are consistent over time and comparable across countries.



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- *CPI-ICP synergies to improve spatial and temporal price consistency*
 1. **Assess areas where harmonizing CPI and ICP processes will create synergies;**
 2. **Prepare a set of guidelines for countries to facilitate the process of harmonizing CPI and ICP activities; and**
 3. **Conduct a case study of selected countries to evaluate the use of SPDs to better define their national CPI product specifications.**



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- ***Sub-national PPPs***

- 1. Examine the Asian and African experience with sub-national PPPs and formulate guidelines on the use of the CPI product lists and prices to compute sub-national PPPs;**
- 2. Analyze temporal consistency of CPI and sub-national PPPs; and**
- 3. Expand work on sub-national PPPs to more countries.**



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Research Agenda Item	Task	Responsible
Moving towards rolling price surveys	Write up describing Eurostat's rolling price survey approach, including a description of the process and summary of Eurostat's experience. The text should summarize the challenges faced, lessons learned and include information on common implementation and operational concerns, e.g. how to handle new (fast-evolving) products that may require pricing every year. The text would also contain information on the current willingness of ICP regions and countries in adopting the rolling price survey approach and in synchronizing data collection across regions.	David Roberts
	Assessment of the coverage and quality of country's CPI and national accounts deflators. This includes examining the level of CPI disaggregation (COICOP vs. other classification), degree of CPI coverage (urban vs. national), among other relevant aspects.	Global ICP Unit - IMF
	Summary of how price extrapolation (i.e. a pseudo-rolling price survey approach) was carried out in different regions during the 2005 and 2011 ICP rounds.	Prasada Rao



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CPI-ICP synergies	Write up defining the scope of what is meant by CPI-ICP integration and synergies. The text should detail potential synergies and commonalities between CPI and ICP and clearly note what elements are beyond the scope of CPI-ICP integration activities and processes, e.g. CPI-ICP integration should not hinder the quality and relevance of a country's CPI. The write up should also include two or three case-studies of countries with CPI-ICP integration, e.g. Israel, South Africa, India, Philippines, Morocco, Palestine, etc.	Patrick Kelly, Dilip Kumar Sinha and Majed Skaini



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Sub-national PPPs	Write up on subnational <i>consumption</i> PPPs. This should provide a broad introduction to the topic and focus on how to better sell the idea of ICP PPPs. The text should summarize actual and potential uses of sub-national PPPs. It should also include information on ‘big ticket’ items like housing, and provide example of uses, e.g. for poverty analysis.	Luigi Biggeri and Yuri Dikhanov