Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the ICP Task Force on Housing
March 12, 2018
World Bank, Washington, DC

Welcome and Meeting Objectives

The second meeting of the International Comparison Program (ICP) Task Force on Housing was held on March 12, 2018 at the World Bank headquarters in Washington, DC.

The main objectives of the meeting were to discuss progress against the tasks agreed-upon at the first meeting of the Task Force and the expected deliverables. The meeting agenda and the list of participants are provided in Annex 1 and Annex 2.

Discussion Topics

The following presentations were made:

- Task Force task list and meeting objectives, Alan Heston and Inyoung Song
- Draft report to TAG presentation with background paper and EU guidelines, Alan Heston
- Housing metadata questionnaire presentation with draft questionnaire, Michel Mouyelo-Katoula and Inyoung Song
- Regional approaches: Africa presentation, Michel Mouyelo-Katoula
- Regional approaches: Asia and the Pacific presentation, Kaushal Joshi
- Residential capital stock estimates presentation with paper and a note on US Owner-Occupied Housing, Alan Heston

Agreements and Conclusions

The Task Force:

- agreed that a progress report on the activities of the Task Force will be prepared and presented to the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) in May 2018;
- welcomed and accepted the draft report to TAG;
- stressed the need for simplifying the proposed housing metadata questionnaire to lessen the burden on countries;
- discussed researching the definitions for modern and traditional dwellings to minimize any confusion between countries;
- commended the two regional presentations on researching new ways to measure housing quality indicator and owner-occupied rental data;
- recommended further investigating the proposed approaches; and
- welcomed the paper on residential capital stock estimates and on US Owner-Occupied Housing.
Way Forward

To continue its work, the Task Force agreed on a set of tasks below:

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<td>Drafting report to TAG</td>
<td>Draft a report on the target measures for estimating housing PPP within the ICP, to be presented to the TAG in May 2018.</td>
<td>Alan Heston and the Global ICP Unit [Paul Konijn to review]</td>
<td>April 2018</td>
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<td>Collecting additional metadata</td>
<td>Simplify and finalize housing metadata questionnaire. Provide the finalized questionnaire to the Regional Implementing Agencies to share with countries.</td>
<td>Global ICP Unit</td>
<td>April 2018</td>
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<td>Exploring alternative data sources</td>
<td>Explore the possibility of further researching the proposed approaches in Africa.</td>
<td>Michel Mouyelo-Katoula (w/AfDB)</td>
<td>April 2018</td>
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<td>Expanding quality indicators</td>
<td>Further investigate using the proposed new quality indicators in Asia. Research calculating PPPs with weights derived from the proposed indicators.</td>
<td>Kaushal Joshi (w/ADB)</td>
<td>September 2018</td>
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<td>Researching definitions</td>
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<td>Global ICP Unit</td>
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The Global ICP Unit will save the presentation and files in the Task Force’s OneDrive folder and the ICP website.

The next meeting of the Task Force will be organized in conjunction with the Inter-Agency Coordination Group meeting in September 2018.
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March 12, 2018
World Bank, 1818 H St. NW, Washington, DC
Agenda

09:00 – 09:15 Task Force task list and meeting objectives, Alan Heston, University of Pennsylvania, and Inyoung Song, Global ICP Unit, World Bank

09:15 – 09:45 Background paper, Alan Heston, University of Pennsylvania

09:45 – 10:30 Housing metadata questionnaire, Michel Mouyelo-Katoula, African Development Bank, and Inyoung Song, Global ICP Unit, World Bank

10:30 – 11:00 Regional approaches
  – Africa, Michel Mouyelo-Katoula, African Development Bank
  – Asia and the Pacific, Kaushal Joshi, Asian Development Bank

11:30 – 12:00 Residential capital stock estimates, Alan Heston, University of Pennsylvania

12:00 – 12:30 Conclusions and recommendations, Alan Heston, University of Pennsylvania
Annex 2: List of Participants

Task Force Members
- Alan Heston, University of Pennsylvania [Task Force Coordinator]
- Michel Mouyelo-Katoula, African Development Bank Consultant
- Kaushal Joshi, Asian Development Bank
- Paulus Konijn, Eurostat
- Bettina Aten, United States Bureau of Economic Analysis
- Yuri Dikhanov, World Bank
- Inyoung Song, World Bank

Global ICP Unit
- Nada Hamadeh, World Bank
- Marko Olavi Rissanen, World Bank
- Mizuki Yamanaka, World Bank
- Maurice Nsabimana, World Bank
- William Vigil Oliver, World Bank
- Hanan Abu Shanab, World Bank

Regional Implementing Agencies
- Fessou Emesan Lawson, African Development Bank
- Gregoire Mboya Deloubassou, African Development Bank
- Rees Mpofu, African Development Bank
- Valerica Accibas, Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States
- Francette Koechlin, OECD
- Bruno Lana, UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Maria Paz Colliniao, UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Norma Chhab-Alperin, UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean Consultant
- Majed Skaini, UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Other Participants
- Sunil Jain, India Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- Margarida Martins, International Monetary Fund
- Marshall Reinsdorf, International Monetary Fund
- Vasily Kuznetsov, Russian Federal State Statistics Service
- Sergey Sergeev, Statistics Austria
- Sharne Bailey, UK Office for National Statistics
- Erwin Diewert, University of British Columbia
- Luigi Biggeri, University of Florence
- Robert Hill, University of Graz
- Prasada Rao, University of Queensland