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Lessons learned ICP 2005
Necessary elements required by the ICP

- Governance—policy, work plans, time table
- Coordination—ensure above are followed, accepted
- Resources—support coordination, develop methodology
- Communication—full transparency about all steps
- Statistical standards—accepted as good practice

Overview of what worked—where improvements can be made (Discuss Statistical standards in TAG)

Recommendations for governance, coordination, resources, communication.
What worked in ICP 2005

- Role of the ICP Executive Board
- Role of the Technical Advisory Group
- Role of the regional coordinators
- Regional workshops with countries, global workshops with regions
- Partnering arrangements between national statistical offices and regions/global office
  - Australia, Canada, France, Russia, the UK

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Where improvements can be made

- Defining respective roles in governance
- World Bank as host institution
- UNSC, Global Office, Executive Board and TAG
  - Respective roles of the UNSC, Global Office, Executive Board, and Technical Advisory Group
  - (see paper on governance framework)
- Agreements with regions/countries more explicitly define requirements for submitting regional and ring data
- More explicitly define policies on data access and sharing

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Improvements continued

- Define process to determine methodology for regional results and linking
- Strengthen ties between ICP and Eurostat-OECD
  - Separate agreement
  - Mutual representation in regional workshops
- Encourage more partnering arrangements
- Ring undertaken without resources to manage as a region—consider resources at outset
- Determine protocol with countries when data collected by regional or global consultants
- Limit on what countries can do at a time
Summary

- See papers for session 5
- Better understanding of resources and capabilities needed for the ICP
- Build on tremendous spirit of cooperation built up between regions and countries last time
THANKS