

Third Meeting Washington Group on Disability Statistics (WG) 19 – 20 February, 2004, Brussels, Belgium

Program

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19 February 2004

9.30 – 10.30 h

Session 1 Opening, welcome, objectives and agenda/program of the meeting

Objective Opening, welcoming remarks, introduction from the EU Policy Department, review of developments since last (Ottawa) meeting and review of objectives, agenda and program.

Documents Reports Ottawa (WG3.10), agenda (WG3.2), program (WG3.8)

Chair Marleen De Smedt (Eurostat)

Speaker Wallis Goelen (EU)

Discussants --

Rapporteur Herman van Oyen (Belgium)

10.30 – 11.00 h

Coffee/tea break

11.00 – 12.30 h

Session 2 Selection of purposes

Objective Based on the disability measurement matrix, a position paper will be presented proposing the selection of 1 -2 purposes that a general disability measure should address and providing a rationale for the choice based on relevance across countries with respect to policy and feasibility of implementation with special attention to international comparability of data. The presentation of the paper will be followed by comments prepared by invited discussants and a plenary discussion with all participants. The final result has to be the decision upon the selected purposes for the general disability measure which the WG will develop.

Documents Position paper (WG3.6) prepared by Jennifer Madans, Barbara Altman and Elizabeth Rasch (USA), Margaret Mbogoni, Malin Synneborn and Jeremiah Banda (UN), Angela Me (UN ECE), Elena De Palma(Italy) and terminology paper (WG3.5) prepared by Marijke de Kleijn (Netherlands)

Chair Marijke de Kleijn (Netherlands)

Speaker to be decided by the authors

Discussants Alicia Bercovich (Brazil), V. M. Tamhane (India), Genara Rivera Araujo (Peru)

Rapporteur Niels Rasmussen (Danmark)

12.30 – 13.30 h

Lunch on your own budget

13.30 – 15.00 h

Session 2 continued

Plenary discussion

15.00 – 15.30 h

Coffee/tea break

15.30 – 17.00 h

Session 2 continued

Plenary discussion, summary and conclusions

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9.00 – 10.30 h

Session 3 Strategy and organization of the WG work

- Objective** In order to be effective in accomplishing the main objectives of the WG and in order to produce tangible and useable end products, it has become increasingly apparent that an organizational plan for the structure and operation of the WG is needed. These organizational issues reflect group governance. A plan for governance of the WG will be proposed followed by presentations of comments by invited discussants and a plenary discussion with all participants. The final result of the session has to be the decision upon the structure and way of operation of the WG.
- Documents** Governance proposal (WG3.7) prepared by Jennifer Madans, Barbara Altman and Elisabeth Rasch (USA), Renee Langlois (Canada), Elena De Palma and Roberta Crialesi (Italy); Proposed World Bank Grant for Strengthening Disability Statistics (WG3.17)
- Chair** Gary Catlin (Canada)
- Speakers** presentation of the Governance proposal to be decided by the authors of the governance paper; Proposed World Bank Grant to be presented by Daniel Mont (WB)
- Discussants** Romulo A. Virola (Philippines), Helen Nviiri (Uganda), Howard Meltzer (UK)
- Rapporteur** Jacques Bonte (Partnership Health, EU)

10.30 – 11.00 h

Coffee/tea break

11.00 – 12.30 h

Session 3 continued

Plenary discussion

12.30 – 13.30 h

Lunch on your own budget

13.30 – 15.00

Session 3 continued

Plenary discussion, summary and conclusions

15.00 – 15.30 h

Coffee/tea break

15.30 – 17.00 h**Session 4 Outline of next steps**

Objective The outcome of sessions 2 and 3 will be summarized and discussed in the light of the objectives of the WG and the future. The final result has to be a decision upon the work plan for the WG, including objectives of the next meeting, planning of the work for the next steps and organizational issues.

Documents --

Chair Eva Gardos (Hungary)

Speaker Marleen De Smedt (Eurostat), Jennifer Madans (USA), Marijke de Kleijn (Netherlands)

Discussants --

Rapporteur Don Lollar (USA)

17.00 h**Closure of the meeting by Marleen De Smedt (Eurostat)**