

Seventh Meeting of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics
Dublin, Ireland
September 19-21, 2007

Detailed Program

Wednesday, September 19, 2007

8:00-8:45 am

Participant Registration

Session 1: Opening session

Objectives: To welcome meeting participants; provide practical information; provide an update on the work of the WG and developments since the last meeting in Kampala, Uganda; and to review the objectives and agenda for this meeting.

Chair: Gerry Brady, Ireland

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA

Documents: 1) Executive summary of 6th annual WG meeting; 2) Report to UN Statistical Commission; 3) Other requested reports

9:00-9:30 am

1) Welcome and opening remarks

Official opening: Gerry Brady, Ireland; Central Statistics Office

9:30-9:50 am

2) Review of Developments since the 6th Meeting; Review of Objectives / Agenda for the 7th Meeting

Speaker: Jennifer Madans, USA

3) Statistical Commission Report/UN Convention on Disability

Speaker: Jerry Banda, UN Statistical Office



Session 2: Development of Extended Sets

Objectives: This session will focus on the development of the extended measures sets. The WG workgroup on extended measurement sets will present a proposal for extended set/s specifying the justification for the set/s and identifying decision points. There will also be a presentation of the Eurostat work and work of the Budapest initiative and other work in the area.

Chair: Jennifer Madans, USA

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Norita Murphy, Ireland

Documents: 1) Extended Set proposal; 2) Eurostat work; 3) Budapest Initiative, 4) UNESCAP Project Summary; 5) World Bank Proposal

9:50-10:00 am

- 1) Overview of session on Extended Sets
Speaker: Jennifer Madans, USA

10:00-10:35 am

- 2) Eurostat Project
Speaker : Howard Meltzer, England

10:35-10:50 am

Break

10:50-11:05 am

- 3) Review of Budapest Initiative work
Speaker: Jennifer Madans, USA

11:05-11:20 am

- 4) UNESCAP Project
Speaker: Wei Liu, UNESCAP

11:20 -11:35 am

- 5) World Bank Project
Speaker: Dan Mont, World Bank

11:35- 12:30 pm

- 6) Proposal for Extended Question Sets
Speaker: Margie Schneider, South Africa

12:30 – 1:30 pm

Lunch



Session 3: Open Discussion and Decisions on Components of Extended Sets

This session will provide an opportunity to discuss the proposal for the extended set in the context of the other work that is going on including the work of the Eurostat Group, the Budapest Initiative and the UNESCAP work which is just beginning. Decisions will be made on the number and type of extended sets to be developed by the Washington Group and on how the Washington Group work will be related to the work of the other groups.

Chair: Anne Good

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Julie Weeks, USA

Documents:

1:30-2:30 pm

Purpose of Extended Sets;

Number; Structure/relationship of Extended Sets

- a) Overview of Issues requiring decisions: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- b) Presentation of proposal for each issue: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- c) Discussion of issues and next steps: Facilitator: Howard Meltzer, England

2:30-3:15 pm

General Content of Extended Sets;

Coherence with short set, among sets and with other initiatives

- d) Overview of Issues requiring decisions: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- e) Presentation of proposal for each issue: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- f) Discussion of issues and next steps: Facilitator: Howard Meltzer, England

3:15-3:30 pm

Break

3:30 -4:15 pm ~ Continuation

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4:15-5:15 pm

Identification of work structure; Sources of data/ workers;

Organization/distribution of workload; Timeline

- g) Overview of Issues requiring decisions: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- h) Presentation of proposal for each issue: Margie Schneider, South Africa
- i) Discussion of issues and next steps: Facilitator: Howard Meltzer, England



5:30-7:30 pm

Drinks at Chester Beatty Library – Hosted by the National Disability Authority
NDA is the lead state agency on disability issues providing independent expert advice to Government on policy and practice.

We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the National Disability Authority for providing this venue to relax from a hard day's work and to mingle with disability professionals from our host country.

Thursday, September 20, 2007

Session 4: Further Analysis of Pre-test Data and Improvement of Short Set

Workgroups on analysis and methodological issues will present the results of additional analyses that were requested at the 6th WG meeting in Uganda. In addition, plans for publication of the pre-test results will be discussed.

Chair: Pamela Nabukhonzo Kakande, Uganda

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Gillian Roche, Ireland

Documents:

8:30 – 8:40 am

- 1) Review of analysis requested at 6th meeting
Presenter: Dan Mont

8:40-10:45 am

- 2) Description of Further Analysis Methods and Objectives
Presenter: Dan Mont, World Bank, for Kristen Miller, USA
- 3) Description of Macro View
Presenter: Dan Mont, World Bank
- 4) Examination of Response Error
Presenter: Dan Mont, World Bank, for Kristen Miller, USA
- 5) Examination of Issues Raised by Viet Nam at 6th meeting
Presenter: Barbara Altman, USA

10:45-11:00 am

Break

Session 5: Update on Short Set Activities

The workgroup on the short set will present revisions to question set; their work on development of an alternative (optional) question on upper body function; and will address the use of the short set as a screener

Chair: Alicia Bercovich, Brazil

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Margie Schneider, South Africa

Documents: 1) Proposal for upper body question

11:00 am – 12:00 am

- 1) Improvements and Additions to Short Set
Presenter: Barbara Altman, USA
Discussion of proposal for upper body question
- 2) Measuring Activity and Participation
Presenter: Mary Van Lieshout, Ireland
- 3) Potential of Short Set as a Screener
Presenter: Susan Stobert, Canada
Discussion of Short set as screener

12:00 – 1:00 pm

Lunch

Session 6: Country Experiences

This session includes a presentation on the recent developments and implementations of the Washington Group questions in Censuses and surveys among member nations including the Irish Census; a discussion of findings as a result of several pilot studies, the three nation study in Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay; the pilot studies in Uganda and Tanzania. In a separate section the need for implementation assistance for the upcoming Census cycle will be discussed

Chair: Dan Mont, World Bank

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Margie Schneider, South Africa

Documents:

1:00- 3:00 pm

- 1) Report on Irish Census
Presenter: Gillian Roche, Ireland
- 2) Report on Three Country Pilot Study
Presenter: Alicia Bercovich, Brazil
- 3) Report on Uganda Pilot Study
Presenter: Pamela Kakande, Uganda
- 4) Introduction to the Surveys and Researches on Disability in China
Presenter: Xiaoying Zheng, China
- 5) Further Assess WG Questions and WHO Questions
Presenter: Wei Liu, UNESCAP

3:00-3:15 pm

Break

3:15-4:30 pm

- 6) Functioning and Disability in Europe - MHADIE Project Results: ICF Functional Profiles in 12 Selected Health Conditions in Europe
Presenter: Matilde Leonardi, Italy
- 7) Implementation Issues
Presenter: Alicia Bercovich, Brazil
- 8) UN Census Cycle Planning
Presenter: Jerry Banda, UN Statistical Office

Session 7: Administrative Necessities

The Steering Committee chair will lead a discussion providing updates on WG governance issues: steering committee rotation; announcing the dates and location of the 8th meeting and determining objectives for this meeting; soliciting volunteers to host the 9th WG meeting; summarizing the accomplishments of the 7th meeting; outlining next steps;

Chair: Barbara Altman, USA

Rapporteur: Cordell Golden, USA and Margie Schneider, South Africa

Documents:

4:30-5:00 pm

- 1) Review of Work and Next Steps
Presenter: Jennifer Madans, USA

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the Irish Central Statistics Office for organizing the logistics of the meeting and for providing the meeting space, lunches and coffee breaks and the group dinner. We are indebted to Gerry Brady and his staff Bernie Ryan, Norita Murphy, Gillian Roche, Teresa McMenamin and Carol Judge for their generous hard work on all the details and their important contribution to the success of the meeting.

6:45-11:00 pm

Group Dinner at Jameson Distillery

Transport will be provided

Friday, September 21, 2007

Session 8: Country Reports and UN Survey

This session includes summaries of country reports; updates on other Washington Group and collaborative activities

Chair: Norita Murphy, Ireland

Rapporteur: Margie Schneider, South Africa and Cordell Golden, USA

Documents: 1) Summary of Country Reports

9:00 – 9:30 am

- 1) Summary of Country Reports

Presenter: Cordell Golden, USA

9:30-10:00 am

- 2) Report on UN Survey

Presenter: Jerry Banda, UN Statistical Office

10:00-10:15 am

Break

10:15 am-12:00 noon

- 3) Meeting of Extended Set Workgroup (Open to everyone)

Facilitator: Margie Schneider, South Africa

The End
