

19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians (Geneva, 2–11 October 2013)

## Resolution III

### Resolution concerning further work on statistics of cooperatives

The 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians,

Recognizing the need to produce statistics on cooperatives in all countries of the world;

Recalling the requirements of the Promotion of Cooperatives Recommendation, 2002 (No. 193), and, in particular, the need for national policies to improve national statistics on cooperatives with a view to the formulation and implementation of development policies;

Acknowledging that for this purpose the most relevant statistics on cooperatives relate to the number and characteristics of cooperatives, of members of cooperatives, of workers employed in cooperatives and the value added of cooperatives;

Taking note of the work already carried out in many countries, particularly as regards the development of national cooperative registers;

Having reviewed the work undertaken by the ILO on the subject,

Recommends that the Office:

(a) in cooperation with the ILO's constituents and interested national statistical offices, carry out further developmental work on the measurement of cooperatives through administrative registers, establishment or household surveys;

(b) carry out pilot studies in interested countries, to test various measurement approaches;

(c) prepares a progress report for discussion at the 20th International Conference of Labour Statisticians, in accordance with its agenda and taking account of decisions taken by the Governing Body, to provide further guidance on the subject.