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▶ Measuring Cooperatives and Beyond

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Friday, 30 June, 2023
10:30-17:50 (KST) / 03:30-10:50 (CET)

▶ VENUE

Busan Exhibition & Convention Center (BEXCO)
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Background : Getting reliable and comparable statistics on cooperatives is challenging in most countries of the world as well as in the global level, despite the impact cooperatives have on their members and the economy. ILO's Promotion of Cooperatives Recommendation, 2002 (No. 193) states that national policies should “seek to improve national statistics on cooperatives with a view to the formulation and implementation of development policies”. On the 19th Session of the International Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLS) in 2013, a Resolution concerning further work on statistics of cooperatives was adopted with a view to carry out further developmental work on the measurement of cooperatives.

The ILO, in collaboration with its constituents and a number of national and international partners, worked towards developing the Guidelines concerning Statistics of Cooperatives, that was adopted at the 20th ICLS in October, 2018. The guidelines were then approved by the Governing Body of the ILO in March 2019. The objective of the guidelines is to facilitate the development of a set of statistics on cooperatives that will provide an adequate information base for a wide range of descriptive, analytical and policy purposes related to cooperatives. The guidelines cover concepts and definitions, types of cooperatives, statistical units, and other relevant topics, including work in cooperatives. The guidelines also call for the ILO to conduct further work on their implementation.

This has led to the cooperative statistics component of the Strengthening Social and Solidarity Economy Knowledge Base project funded by the Ministry of Employment and Labour (MoEL) of the Republic of Korea. The project aims at applying and testing the guidelines into different national contexts, in particular in five countries: Korea, Italy, Costa Rica, Turkiye and Tanzania. Five national researchers, in close consultation with officials from their national statistical offices (NSOs), public ministries, federations, research and education institutions related to cooperatives, compared between the statistics available and used in each country with the guidelines. The findings can guide on how to better align national statistics with the guidelines. In addition, improvements can be made to the guidelines through development of a manual on implementation of the guidelines.

The lessons learned from the country cases and a global study for recommendations and future plans to the guidelines will be presented at the ILO's conference on statistics of cooperatives, which will take place in coordination with the Korean 5th Social Economy Fair in Busan, Republic of Korea (from 30 June to 2 July 2023). The event will be conducted both in person and online, with simultaneous translation provided (English to Korean).

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TIME	AGENDA	SPEAKER
10:30 - 10:35	High-Level Opening (Opening Remark)	Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard Director, Enterprises Department, ILO
10:35 - 10:40	Welcome Remark	Seongkweun Lee Vice Mayor for Economic Affairs, Busan City
10:40 - 10:45		Seungwon Lee Director of Future Vision and Strategy Bureau Korean Ministry of Economy and Finance (MoEF)
10:45 - 10:50	Congratulatory Remarks	Hyungon Jung President, Korea Social Enterprise Promotion Agency (KoSEA)
10:50 - 10:55		Ariel Guarco (in video message) Director-General, International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)
10:55 - 11:25	Keynote Speech	Current status of statistics on Social and Solidarity Economy (SSE) and ways forward Marie Bouchard Professor, University of Quebec Montreal
Country case studies on cooperative statistics - Part 1		
11:25 - 11:55	Korea	Joyup Ahn National Consultant for Korean case
11:55 - 12:25	Turkiye	Orkun Dogan National Consultant for Turkish case
12:25 - 12:55	Tanzania	Ahmed Makbel National Consultant for Tanzanian case
12:55 - 15:00	LUNCH	14:00-15:00 Opening Ceremony of the Korean 5th Social Economy Fair
15:00 - 15:20	Introduction to the Int'l Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLS)	Ritash Sarna Head of Management & Support Unit, Statistics Department, ILO
Country case studies on cooperative statistics - Part 2		
15:20 - 15:50	Italy	Chiara Carini National Consultant for Italian case
15:50 - 16:20	Costa Rica	Carlos Gonzalez National Consultant for for Costa Rican case
16:20 - 17:00	Global study on Cooperative statistics	Global, Recommendation to the Guidelines concerning Statistics of Cooperatives David Hunter Senior Consultant and Managing Director, StatClass Sàrl

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17:00 - 17:45	<p>Panel Discussion:</p> <p>“Challenges and opportunities in developing statistics of cooperatives”</p>	<p>Chair: Simel Esim Head of Cooperatives Unit, Enterprises Department, ILO</p> <p>Panelists: Hyungsik Eum (Global Advisory Committee, GAC) Director of Research, International Cooperative Alliance</p> <p>Sylvain Schetagne (Global Advisory Committee) Workers' group representative</p> <p>Gianluca Salvatori (Italian NAC) General Secretary, European Research Institute on Cooperatives and Social Enterprises (EURICSE)</p> <p>Jonggul Kim (Korean NAC) Professor of Global Social Economy Studies Hanyang University</p> <p>Flora Bilauri (Tanzanian NAC) Program Director, Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission (TCDC)</p> <p>Alejandro Ortega (Costa Rican NAC) Executive Director, Instituto Nacional de Fomento Cooperativo (INFOCOOP)</p> <p>Melih Toprak (Turkish NAC) Trade Expert, Turkish Ministry of Trade</p>
17:45 - 17:50	Closing Remarks	<p>Simel Esim Head of Cooperatives Unit, Enterprises Department, ILO</p>

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