

**Workshop on the implementation of the 2008 SNA
in the EECCA and SEE countries**
Kiev, 29 November – 2 December 2011

Agenda item 7c - Developing implementation plans for 2008 SNA

This document include a set of questions for the group work in session 7 on the development of implementation plans for the 2008 SNA, and a 2008 SNA implementation table that includes the main stages and components to be taken into account in the implementation plan.

The purpose of the questions is to facilitate the discussion in the groups and ensure that important issues are addressed. The questions also link to the main stages and components of the implementation table.

The implementation table includes the following main stages and milestones:

The main stages and milestones of the implementation plan

STAGE 1:	Review of national or regional statistical strategic papers to include there the 2008 SNA implementation
STAGE 2:	Review of work needed to support implementation of the 2008 SNA
STAGE 3:	Development of National Accounts and changeover to the 2008
	Milestone 1. Basic indicators of GDP
	Milestone 2. GNI and other primary indicators
	Milestone 3. Institutional sector accounts: first step
	Milestone 4. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 1
	Milestone 5. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 2
	Milestone 6. Institutional sector accounts: final step

The table aims to help countries in the development of an implementation plan. Stage 3 includes all milestones for the full implementation of the 2008 SNA. However, not all Milestones may be reflected in the implementation plan in the short or medium term, depending on the current development of the national accounts.

Participants should familiarize with the implementation table before and during the workshop, and complete the table where this is possible.

UNECE will use the completed tables from countries for planning of further activities to support the implementation of the 2008 SNA.

Table 1. The 2008 SNA Implementation Plan Components

		Status ¹	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
1	STAGE 1 - Review of national or regional statistical strategic papers to include there the 2008 SNA implementation				
a	Identification of main outstanding issues with SNA 1993.	On-going	Quality of data sources, timelines of short-term indicators, quarterly accounts, financial accounts, developing of administrative data, constant prices, sequence of accounts	Yes, for the most of activities we need: TA, short guidelines, workshops	2-5 years
b	Understanding the main changes in 2008 SNA compared to SNA 1993 and their importance for the country.	Discussed	Sectorisation, FISIM, Financial sector	Yes, for the most of activities we need: TA, short guidelines, workshops, good practice and experience of other countries	1-3 years
c	Identification of the main institutions involved in collecting and producing relevant data for the SNA and establishment of institutional agreements for 2008 SNA implementation	Discussed	Expand collaboration with other institutions: Research Institutes, Financial institutions, funds	No need	1-3 years
d	Prioritization for 2008 SNA, based on user needs and resources.	Not available yet	Promotion of SNA 2008 to users. Lack of educated human resources including IT, insufficient budget, coordination between different institutions	Yes, education of users	2-5 years
e	Inclusion of the implementation of the 2008 SNA in the overall strategic plan of the statistical office	Discussed	No problem	No need	Within 3 years
f	Adoption of detailed implementation plan for 2008 SNA in short, medium and/or long-term period.	Discussed	Prepare draft versions of, long-term plan	Exchange country views	Within 6 year
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2	STAGE 2 - Review of work needed to support implementation of the 2008 SNA				

¹ Not available yet, discussed, planned, on-going, finished, etc.

		Status ¹	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
a	a. Adoption of new classifications and other improvements in business registers and business statistics	Not available yet			
b	b. Changes in business statistics surveys and questionnaires to collect the necessary source data	Not available yet			
c	c. Adaptation of administrative data sources to new requirements	Not available yet			
d	d. IT and other changes	Not available yet			
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3	STAGE 3 - Development of National Accounts and changeover to the 2008 SNA				
a	Milestone 1. Basic indicators of GDP				
	Data categories				
	Outstanding issues from SNA 1993-				
	i. GDP production approach in current prices and in volume measures, A & Q (section level)	On-going	Data sources, coverage, quality, deflators	Technical assistant	continuously
	ii. GDP expenditure approach in current prices and in volume measures (all categories of expenditure), A & Q	On-going	Data sources, coverage, quality, deflators	Technical assistant	continuously
	iii. GDP by regions	Montenegro is one region			
	iv.				
	v.				
	vi.				
	New issues arising from the 2008 SNA²				
	vii.	Not available yet			

² See details on new 2008 SNA elements affecting GDP in Table 3 of Annex to Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts. The priorities may be decided by each country depending on issues like resources, data sources and level of influence on GDP.

		Status ¹	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
	viii.				
	ix.				
	x.				
	xi.				
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b	Milestone 2. GNI and other primary indicators				
	Data categories				
	For rest of the world – external accounts of primary income and current transfers, capital and financial accounts (BPM 6)	Not available yet			
	...				
c	Milestone 3. Institutional sector accounts: first step				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Production account	On-going	National Project	Yes,TA	continuously
	For general government – Generation of income, Allocation of primary income, Secondary distribution of income, Use of disposable income, Capital and Financial accounts	Not available yet			
	...				
d	Milestone 4. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 1				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Generation of income, Allocation of primary income, Secondary distribution of income, Use of disposable income, Capital accounts	Long-term planning			
	...				
e	Milestone 5. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 2				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Financial account	Long-term planning			

		Status ¹	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
	...				
f	Milestone 6. Institutional sector accounts: final step				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Other changes in assets account, Balance sheets	Long-term planning			
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