

**Workshop on updated and new recommendations for
International Merchandise Trade Statistics (IMTS 2010) and
their implementation in countries of the Sub-Saharan Africa region**

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**Points for discussion:
Implementing IMTS 2010**



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IMTS 2010 new recommendations – Data quality

Q1 Quality reports: Do you have or consider to develop a standard for regular quality reports which covers the full range of statistical processes and their outputs? (para. 9.5)

Ce genre de rapport n'a pas encore ete elabore, mais on compte le produire.
Pour les utilisateurs, un guide de poche peut etre elabore

Q2 What are the obstacles or difficulties for developing such quality reports for IMTS in your country?

Un cadre global sur la qualite doit exister au niveau national, il faudrait une sensibilisation de l'ensemble des acteurs, Manque d'initiative.

Q3 What should be covered in the suggested IMTS-Compilers Manual chapter 9 “Data quality: assurance, measurement and reporting”?

La procedure sur la production des indicateurs de qualite, et la mise en place d'un norme specifique a IMTS. Lq procedure d'estimation.

Q4 Do you plan to conduct bilateral and multilateral reconciliations studies?

Oui, mais l'initiative doit etre partage et il y a besoin de facilitateur pour ce faire.

IMTS 2010 - new recommendations - Metadata

Q5 In your metadata do you cover (plan to cover in the future) the following categories? (para. 9.23) (all, most, some)

- i. description of all underlying concepts and definitions, including the trade system used, and deviations from international standards, if any;
- ii. legal framework, institutional arrangements and description of data sources;
- iii. description of data collection and data processing procedures;
- iv. description of estimation methods;
- v. data dissemination policy including release and revision schedules;
- vi. description of the all data fields/ variables
- vii. explanations and footnotes concerning the data as required, i.e. informing about revisions, break in series and application of confidentiality;
- viii. quality reporting.

Pour certains pays, les metadonnées ne sont pas encore disponible et pour ceux qui en disposent il ne traite que de la plupart de ces points.

Q.6 What should be covered in the suggested IMTS-Compilers Manual chapter 25 “Metadata quality”?

Pour les points 6, 7 et 8

IMTS 2010 - new recommendations - Dissemination

**Q.7 What should be covered in the suggested IMTS-Compilers Manual chapter 26
“Dissemination”?**

Strategie de dissemination. Modele de publication

**Q8 Have you implemented / do you plan to implement the following recommendations of IMTS
2010? (all, most, some)**

- 1- Lorsque l'info peut etre amene a identifier un individu, on ne publie pas donc NON
- 2- l'info sera disponible au niveau agrege
- 3- Non
- 4- Non pour la majorite
- 5- Oui, mais certains partenaires sont privilegues