

**Meeting of the Task Force on Statistics  
of International Trade in Services (TFSITS)**

**25 September 2008**

OECD, Chateau de la Muette Conference Centre, Paris

**Agenda**

*September 25 September 2008 9.30*

**1. Welcome and Opening**

**2. Adoption of the agenda TFSITS (2008) 2.1**

**3. Summary outcome of OECD WPTGS meeting 22-24 September discussion on Manual**

**4. Revision of the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services (MSITS)**

- a. Review and update of plans, timetable and division of labour for revision of MSITS  
- managing responses to the worldwide consultation TFSITS (2008) 2.2
- b. Remaining issues and inputs to the Manual
  - i) Intellectual property and software TFSITS (2008) 2.3
  - ii) Environmental services
  - iii) Health and education
  - iv) Concordances TFSITS (2008) 2.4
  - v) Other cross-cutting goods/services issue material TFSITS (2008) 2.5

**5. Promoting trade in services statistics including in Emerging and Developing Countries - World Bank/OECD**

- a. Balance of payments
- b. FATS

*World Bank will set out the broad goals. The Task Force will be invited to brainstorm possibilities to move this forward. TFSITS (2008) 2.6*

**6. Promoting the MSITS**

- a. TFSITS Website and Newsletter – UNSD
- b. Upcoming seminars and expert groups

**7. Preparation of reports to IMF Balance of Payments Committee and UN Statistical Commission**

**8. Any other business**

- a. Problems of data quality and historical consistency – WTO TFSITS (2008) 2.7

**9. Date and location of next TF meeting (ESCAP Bangkok 10-12 March 2009 including one joint day with TF on merchandise trade)**