CIS ICP 2017 Status Report
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Participating countries

8-10 countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia and Tajikistan; Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan are expected to participate)

Data collection

Each CIS NSO collected data in the capital city and in the regions.

Survey frequencies vary depending on the items and national statistics’ experience: monthly, quarterly, annually.

- 2135 consumer goods and services
- 566 investment goods
Household consumption

Data collection: Q2–Q4/2017
Data validation: Q1–Q4/2018

Machinery and equipment

Data collection: Q3–Q4/2017
Data validation: Q4/2017, Q1–Q4/2018

Construction

Data collection: Q3–Q4/2017
Data validation: Q4/2018, Q1–Q2/2019
Housing

Data collection: 2018 (for 2017)
Data validation: Q1–Q3/2019

Government compensation

Data collection: 2018 (for 2017)
Data validation: Q1–Q3/2019

GDP expenditures

Update of GDP classification: 2018
Disaggregation of GDP by expenditures: Q1–Q2/2019
Validation of GDP expenditures: Q2–Q3/2019
Checking and validation

Additional data quality checking based on Q2/2017 data

Two iterations – for consumer items

Three iterations – for investment items

PPPs computations

Preliminary computation of PPPs, basing on 2017 expenditures – Q2/2019

Improvement computations of preliminary PPPs (checking and improving data quality), basing on 2017 expenditures – Q2–Q3/2019

Final computation – October-November 2019
CIS ICP 2017 consumer items list, including detailed specifications of goods and services, was translated from Russian into English and submitted to ICP GIU on July 31, 2018.

Preliminary annual average prices for consumer goods and services for each CIS country participating in comparison were submitted to ICP GIU on July 31, 2018.

The revised extrapolation data reporting forms for CIS region countries for 2011-2017 was submitted to GIU on July 31, 2018 (including: CPI indices and weights, GDP expenditures in current prices and indices, deflators, exchange rates and population)
CIS ICP 2017 results timeline

Expected data finalization – September 2019

Expected regional results release – December 2019

Expected outputs – 2017 CIS ICP Regional Report – March-June 2020
Meetings of experts of CIS NSOs on CIS ICP 2017:

April 2017 (Moscow) – consumer items list – survey guidelines, coordination of data collection, time schedule

December 2017 (Moscow) – machinery and equipment – items’ specifications, data collected, Quaranta tables, data validation

June 2018 (Moscow) – consumer items – data collected, Quaranta tables, data validation. The workshop was attended by the CIS countries participating in the ICP 2017 cycle and Uzbekistan.

December 2018 (Moscow) – 2008 SNA issues related to ICP 2017

April 2019 (Astana) – GDP classification for ICP 2017, draft PPPs computations
June 2018 (Dushanbe, Tajikistan) – a bilateral meeting with experts at the NSO of Tajikistan – support in methodological and practical issues

The mission agenda included following topics:

- Rectification of prices for consumer goods and services by groups: food, beverages and tobacco; goods for personal use; household products; services and other goods

- Conducting consultations on filling the questionnaire on monitoring prices for consumer goods, methods for identifying inaccuracies and errors.

Further country assisting missions are planned for 2018-2019.
Revision issues

CIS ICP series:

1) Applying partially-multilateral comparison (PMC) procedure to CIS ICP 2011 results.

CIS-Stat would be happy to act in cooperation with the Eurostat and OECD. Basing on the 2011 BH data from EU/OECD comparison and the 2011 CIS data, the CIS-Stat would be willing to ensure necessary computations.

The gotten improved 2011 results for the CIS countries are not expected to include any serious quantitative changes, but they would be methodologically comparable with the 2014 and 2017 results.

2) The 2014 GDP data were revised by countries and are to be included into revised CIS ICP 2014 results.
CIS-Stat steps up efforts to promote advocacy of the ICP:

- The key professional monthly journal on practical statistics and research published in Russian – “Voprosy Statistiki”: a special article on the ICP, September 2017.

- Paper on the CIS ICP experience “Linking ICP Regions with Dual Participation Using the Partially-multilateral Approach (CIS ICP 2014 experience)”: the 35th IARIW General Conference, August 2018.

- IARIW conference in Moscow, September 17-18, 2019: CIS-Stat is organizing a session on PPPs and will also ensure participation of the CIS NSOs’ experts in the Conference.
The International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW), in partnership with the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE) and with support from the CIS-Stat:

Conference “Experiences and Challenges in Measuring Income and Wealth in Eastern Europe and CIS Countries” – September 17-18, 2019, Moscow, Russia

The CIS-Stat is going to organize one of sessions: “PPP based comparisons across and within countries” – as a venue for a dialog between PPPs producers and users.

Methodological papers on measurement problems are welcome, even if they examine other parts of the world.

CIS NSOs will attend the Conference to discuss the ICP topics.
Conference timeline:

January 15, 2019  deadline for receipts of paper proposals
February 15, 2019  authors notified of decisions on paper proposals
March 15, 2019  deadline for receipt of applications for financial assistance
April 01, 2019  applicants notified of decisions on financial assistance
August 31, 2019  deadline for receipt of papers for posting on IARIW website
September 17-18, 2019  Conference
December 31, 2019  deadline for submission of papers for consideration for the Review of Income and Wealth special issue

http://iariw.org
• Alternation of generations of ICP experts in some countries. CIS-Stat provides an additional support to NSOs which had faced this problem;

• Two countries didn’t yet confirmed their participation officially. CIS-Stat develops contacts at the expert level: provides them with all ICP operational materials (guidelines, items lists, specifications, questionnaires etc.) and ensures their participation in the regional experts' meetings;

• Funding issues. The World Bank support in providing lacking resources would be of crucial importance.
Thank you