PPP Computation Task Force

Proposals for Discussion
PPP Computation Task Force (CoTaF)

Proposals

Principles:

1- Confidentiality: All members will be asked to sign a confidentiality statement regarding the handling of the data
2- Transparency: All members will share their input data, code, and output data with other members
3- Timeliness: Members will adhere to deadlines set by the CoTaF as per the ICP timetable
4- Intellectual property: Intellectual property will be recognized and acknowledged for all contributors (methodologies, codes, and documentation)

Communication:

1- CoTaF members will use the CoTaF page on Escoop to exchange comments, opinions, data files, and codes.
2- All CoTaF members will have read access to what other members have posted. Members can chose to allow other members write access.

Main activities:

1- Supporting the Global Office in the computation of Global results
2- Providing support to regions in the computation of regional results, if needed
3- Developing tools for the computation of PPPs and ICP results (Excel-based, SAS, SQL, etc)
4- Supporting the Global Office in the validation of input and output data
5- Running simulations of various aggregation and linking methods using 2005 data
6- Documenting processes and application of methodologies
7- Documenting concordance tables between classifications (ICP classification, geographical classification, etc.)
**Timeline of activities:**

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**Some issues for consideration:**

1. Classification issues (different number of basic headings across regions)
2. Use of different types of average prices (National, Rural, Urban, etc)
3. Use of different aggregation methods across regions
4. Implications and effect of different proposed methods for linking on the computation of results
5. Gap-filling and reference PPPs effect and documentation