BIOGRAPHY

Arthur Giesberts (1968) works as a Statistician/Economist at the World Bank (DECDG) since April 2019. His main assignment is to development methodologies and instruments in the field of business statistics and to provide technical assistance (TA), training, and capacity building thereupon. Arthur mostly with and for National Statistical Institutes (NSI's) in close cooperation with other departments in the Bank. The immediate outputs of his work are new, improved or more timely business statistics and better inputs to National Accounts. His expertise includes establishment censuses, annual and short-term economic surveys, statistical business registers, administrative data and price statistics. Arthur worked in more than 25 countries and on all continents.

In support of his TA, training and capacity building work, he develops adequate methods, tooling, instruments and training materials for core activities like sampling, data coding (ISIC classification), data editing and data imputation. Furthermore, he works on lean design of statistical processes to obtain timely, high quality and sustainable results at low costs.

Prior to joining the WBG, Arthur worked for 13 years at Statistics Netherlands (CBS), merely as manager in business and price statistics. In this capacity he represented CBS for several years in the Eurostat Working groups on SBS and STS statistics and provided TA to other NSI's on behalf of CBS.

Before CBS, he worked for 10 years at the Development Research Institute of Tilburg University in the Netherlands (NL), as project leader and programmer on projects in the field of economics, IT and National Accounts statistics. Prior to that Arthur worked as international project leader for Philips NV and as an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Economics of Tilburg University (NL).

Arthur's ambition and main strength is to contribute to development by simplifying complex conceptual challenges and by hands-on transforming the best ideas in concrete achievements. He combines this with enthusiasm, experience, and knowledge of 6 European languages.