Introduction

#### **Description**

### **Purpose**

The <u>Voorburg Group on Service Statistics</u> was created in 1986 in response to a request from the United Nations Statistical Office (UNSO) for assistance in developing services statistics.

The main purpose of the Group is to serve as a **forum** for the exchange of views among National Statistics Offices as well as relevant International Statistical Organisations on services statistics. Since 2005, the primary objective of the Group is to establish an **internationally comparable methodology** for measuring the constant dollar outputs of the services industries. The focus of the Voorburg Group is to develop concepts, methods, and best practices in the areas of services. The scope of the Voorburg Group is centered on **producer price indices (PPIs) for services, turnover by products, and classifications.** 

The Voorburg Group has contributed over the years to building up and sharing a considerable and growing body of knowledge on Service Sector Statistics. It has promoted international cooperation in the development of standards and has assisted in resolving statistical and measurement challenges in the Service Sector.

## **Previous meetings**

The first meeting hosted by the Netherlands Statistical Office (CBS), was held in January 1987 in Voorburg (Netherlands), from which the Group derives its name. The most recent meetings were held as follows:

2021 2022 – Virtual (US, Canada) 2019 – Paris France 2018 – Rome Italy

# **Bureau** of the Voorburg Group

The Bureau and host country organize and plan the Group meeting. The Bureau consists of a core group of members elected each year including chairs of the Group as well as the host of the last meeting and the host of the upcoming meeting.

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