

Recommendation II.19: International data cooperation and communication

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Progress in Phase I of Recommendation #19 (FKA #20)

The G-20 economies to support enhancement of the Principal Global Indicators (PGI) website

- PGI: launched in 2009, joint undertaking of the IAG showing major economic indicators available at participating IAG agencies
- Coverage of PGI extended to 34 economies include G-20 and those with systemically important financial sectors
- Financial Soundness Indicators were added to PGI, which already covered key indicators from real, fiscal, financial, and external sectors
- Work with IAG to streamline data collection and improve data sharing



Where gaps still exist

- Reduce countries' reporting burden to International Organizations (IOs) by improving data sharing
- Expand the number of common coding structures to promote and benefit from machine-to-machine data exchange
- Continue improving the coverage and timeliness of the data on the PGI website



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The IAG to

- foster improved international data cooperation among international institutions reducing the burden on reporting economies,
- support timely standardized transmission of data through internationally agreed formats (e.g. Statistical Data SDMX), and
- promote outreach to users.

The IAG to continue to work with G-20 economies to present timely, consistent national data

- on the PGI website and
- on the websites of participating international organizations.



Intention of the recommendation

This recommendation continues the IAG work on international data cooperation under DGI- 1 and intends to further promote:

- **1.** efficiencies in data supply, including:
 - a. promotion of SDMX standards for the dissemination and sharing of official statistics,
 - **b.** the creation of DSDs by statistical domain,
 - c. reducing overlap in transmissions of data to international organizations by national authorities.
- 2. better outreach to users with timely, complete and consistent information in the public domain, including on the PGI website



International Data Cooperation

General objectives

- Reduce reporting burden on NSIs
- More efficient use of resources in International Organisation (IO)
- Ensure high quality and consistency of countries' data available in IOs
- Improve global data exchange and dissemination

SDMX provides

- technical/statistical standards
- new exchange modes
- framework for establishing clear rules and responsibilities







The necessary pre-conditions

SDMX coding structures Expand their number leveraging SDMX governance agreements

Internationally agreed data validation

Data validation rules and SDMX data validation standards

Streamlined data exchange processes Frequency and timeliness for data reporting / dissemination, data quality management, feedback loops etc.



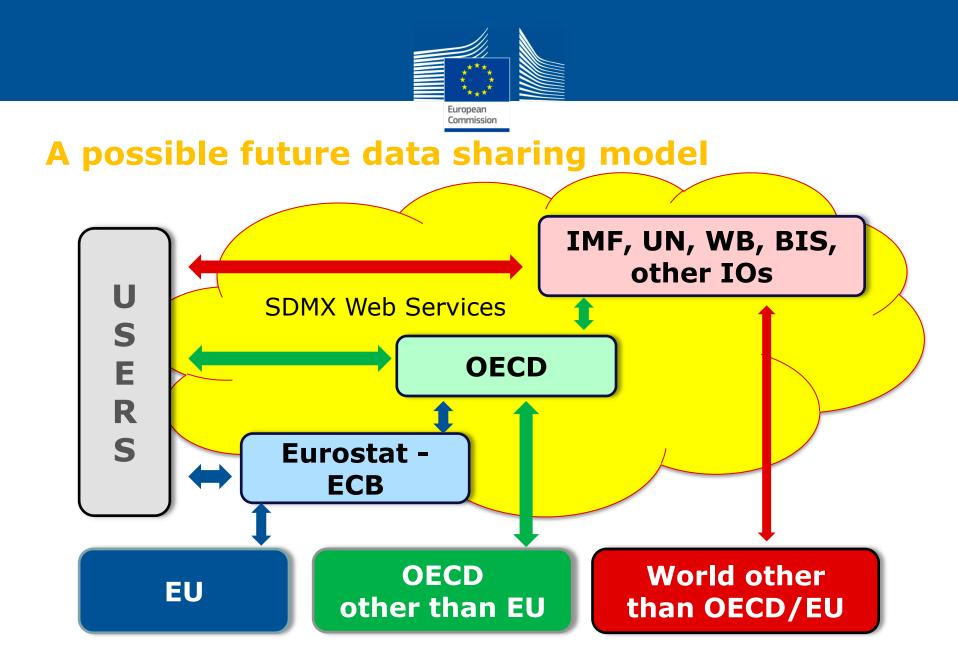
International Data Cooperation in NA

IAG: Interagency Group on Economic and Financial Statistics

- BIS, ECB, Eurostat, IMF, OECD, World Bank, UN
- → same organisations as SDMX Sponsors

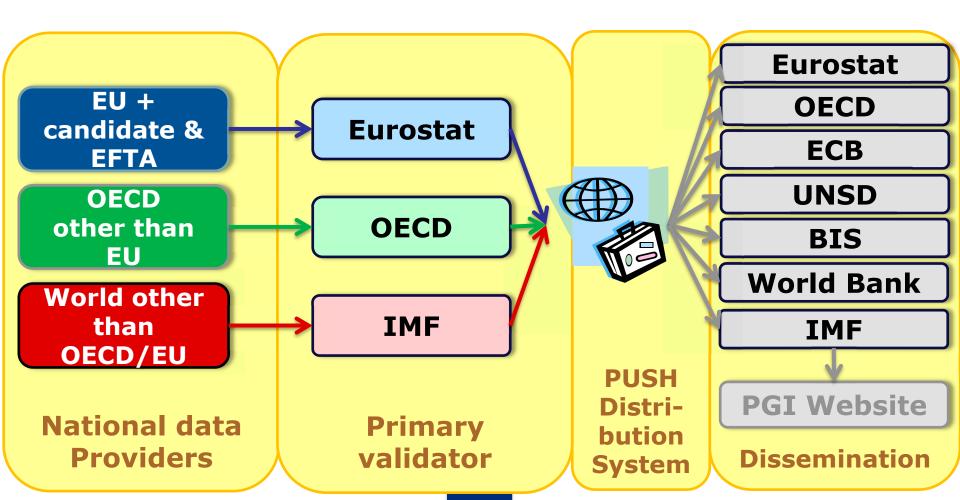
IAG Task Force International Data Cooperation

- TFIDC, co-chaired by Eurostat and IMF
- Pilot 1 on GDP and population
- Pilot 2 on Sector Accounts
- Extension to other domains envisaged





TFIDC – data flows for pilot 1





TFIDC – State of Play

Pilot 1 on GDP and population

- Data flow template agreed, based on NA_MAIN DSD
- Daily data exchange, senders: Eurostat, OECD, IMF
- Go live in the next weeks

Pilot 2 on Sector Accounts

- Template based on IAG Rec. #15 and NA_SEC DSD
- First tests successful
- Lessons learned from pilot 1
- To kick off once pilot 1 is live