

Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers

Country progress report 2017 and future plans

Country:

European Union (EU)

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I. Organisation, Population and Usage of the Statistical Business Register

1. Name of the register

EuroGrops Register (EGR)

2. Name of the organisation responsible for holding the register

Eurostat, Unit G3 (Business cycle, tourism and registers)

3. Position of the register unit in the organisation

Unit G3 is part of Directorate G (Global Business Statistics)

4. Number of employees in the register unit (Headcount employees)

6

5. Primary goal and use of the register

The EGR is the statistical register of Eurostat and the EU and EFTA countries on multinational enterprise groups. The EGR contains structural economic information on multinational enterprise groups with an interest in the EU and their constituent units. The primary goal of the EGR is to offer coordinated yearly frame populations for the production of statistics on globalisation.

6. Year of establishment of the register

2008 as EGR 1.0

7. Year(s) of the main re-engineering(s) of the register

2013-2015 to EGR 2.0

8. Number of active enterprises* in the register at the end of 2017

*If it is difficult to use Enterprises, you can use Legal units instead.

Enterprises: (Legal units:)

9. Does the register have geographical coordinates assigned to every address or could they be obtained through other registers linked to it?

No

II. Progress and Developments in the Past Year

Please list main achievements (maximum 3) in the past year (2017) or the problems you have tackled. Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Short title of work which was done (Category)
Developments on EGR 2.0 8. Quality

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

(1) EGR action plan was created on improvement plans of 2017 and 2018 (2) Smaller process improvements were implemented in EGR 2.0 (3) The EGR methodology was improved to cover more foreign controlled units (4) More records were uniquely identified (5) EGR coverage was improved, reference year 2015 - 80,000 groups, 2016 - 112,000 groups (6) EGR applications were improved to better support EGR production (new functionalities, more feedback flows to NSIs in the production phase) (7) Performance of EGR CORE was improved (8) Set of quality indicators were defined and calculated for EGR

2. Short title of work which was done (Category)
Publication of aggregated data tables from EGR 7. Dissemination

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Aggregated data tables were disseminated from EGR on MNE groups active in the EU. The data were published as experimental statistics - <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/experimental-statistics/multinational-enterprise-groups>

3. Short title of work which was done (Category)
Developments under the ESBRS project (methodology) 9. Planning and governance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

In the framework of the ESBRS project (European System of interoperable statistical Business Registers) in 2017 the ESBRS Business Architecture was revised and endorsed and pilot actions were prepared with the participation of 22 NSIs on interoperability of registers.

III. Future plans

Please list themes/projects (maximum 3) which you plan to tackle in the current (2018) and following year(s). Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Short title of work planned (Category)
Further improvements of EGR 2.0 8. Quality

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

(1) Further evolutive maintenance of the EGR system and processes (2) Improvements of the EGR applications' user interfaces (3) Implementation of a new continuity algorithm for enterprise groups (4) Exploring potential new sources for EGR (e.g. GLEIF) (5) Improvement of EGR quality indicators to better follow-up EGR processes and results

2. Short title of work planned (Category)
Developments under the ESBRS project (methodology) 9. Planning and governance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

In the framework of the ESBRS project, methodological developments will continue on the interoperability framework of the national business registers and EGR and on the integration of processes of European profiling and EGR.

3. Short title of work planned (Category)
ESBRS pilots on interoperability of registers 11. Others

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

In the framework of the ESBRS project EU national statistical institutes will run pilot actions to improve the interoperability of national business registers and EGR. The pilot actions cover the following areas: data exchange with EGR, collaboration and governance in the EGR applications, EGR calendar and timing and data quality improvements.

IV. Main challenges

Please list main challenges (maximum 3) with respect to development, maintenance and use of your statistical business register. Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Main challenge 1

(Category)

Use of EGR for statistical production

8. Quality

Description of the challenge

Achieve a high and stable EGR quality in order to allow EU Member States statisticians to use the EGR populations as harmonised frame for their statistical production.

2. Main challenge 2

(Category)

European profiling process integrated in EGR

4. Data sources

Description of the challenge

The results of the profiling activity have to be integrated in the EGR process. This will require to integrate the procedure of profiling and the Interactive Profiling Tool (IPT) with the EGR.

3. Main challenge 3

(Category)

Select one

Description of the challenge