

# Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers

## Country progress report 2017 and future plans

Country:

Ireland

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

1. Name of the register

Business Register

2. Name of the organisation responsible for holding the register

Central Statistics Office (CSO)

3. Position of the register unit in the organisation

Structural Business Statistics & Business Register

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

14

5. Primary goal and use of the register

Register of all enterprises operating in Ireland and to act as a backbone for business statistics via the provision of accurate and timely sampling frames.

6. Year of establishment of the register

1993

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

1998, 2002, 2009, 2016

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 (2016) 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)

User Needs Specification Project

1. Roles of the SBR

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Full user needs analysis was conducted in relation to the BR with that stated aim of creating a specification for a new IT system and developing a future project plan for Business Statistics development. This plan envisages the BR to play a full backbone role in the organisation and meet as many needs as possible for all survey areas that make use of BR data and applications.

2. Short title of work which was done

(Category)

Business Statistics Re-organisation

9. Planning and governance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Structural Business Statistics, Short Term Business Statistics and the Business Register was re-structured into one unit. This process will lead to a greater process centric Business Statistics unit.

3. Short title of work which was done

(Category)

Select one

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

### 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)

BR IT Development

10. IT considerations

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Initial work to begin on a new BR IT application have been pencilled in for Q4 2018. This will form a part of a multi year Business Statistics development plan.

2. Short title of work planned

(Category)

Medium Case Unit (MCU)

3. Units

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

A Medium Cases Unit (MCU) is to be established in 2018 which the specific aim of conducting a one year cycle of European Profiling as well as profiling of enterprise groups that have a major effect on business statistics.

3. Short title of work planned

(Category)

Select one

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

### 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)

IT resources and survey area buy in and cooperation into Business Statistics development

1. Roles of the SBR

Description of the challenge

For the BR to become an integral backbone of not only BR operations but for the organisation as a whole, survey areas will have to form a vital role in BR and Business Statistics development in conjunction with available IT resources

2. Main challenge 2

(Category)

Medium Cases Unit (MCU)

3. Units

Description of the challenge

Getting the MCU established as part of a multi year development plan.

3. Main challenge 3

(Category)

Select one

Description of the challenge