Net-SILC3 International Best Practice Workshop

Assessing and improving the validity and comparability of the EU-SILC income, own consumption, health and housing variables

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Context and purpose
of the workshop

This "Best Practice Workshop" is organised by the third Network for the analysis of EU-SILC (Net-SILC3). It is kindly hosted by the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) at the *Megaron Athens International Conference Centre*[1].

Net-SILC3 is funded by the Statistical Office of the European Union (Eurostat) and consists of a group of institutions and researchers using the comparative EU data source *EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions ("EU-SILC")*. It brings together experts from nine European Statistical System (ESS) bodies and eight academic bodies:

√ ESS bodies: the Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER, Net-SILC3 coordinator), seven National Statistical Institutes (from Austria, Finland, France, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands and the UK) and the Scientific Institute of Public Health (Belgium);

√ academic bodies: University of Oxford (UK), Institute of Economic Sciences (Serbia), Institute for Social and Economic Research (University of Essex, UK), Leibniz-Institute for the Social Sciences (GESIS, Germany), Herman Deleeck Centre for Social policy (University of Antwerp, Belgium), Stockholm University, University of Manchester (UK) and University of Amsterdam (NL).

The plans for the Network build on a solid foundation of previous work (esp. in the context of Net-SILC1[2] and Net-SILC2[3]) and seek to address various methodological and analytical questions that are of particular importance at this stage of the maturation of EU-SILC.

Between 2016 and 2020, Net-SILC3 will carry out in-depth methodological work and socio-economic analysis of the EU-SILC data (covering both cross-sectional and longitudinal dimensions) and develop common tools and approaches regarding various aspects of data production for the whole ESS. It will also organise two EU-SILC conferences as well as four "Best Practice Workshops".

This 2018 Best Practice Workshop is the first Net-SILC3 workshop. The papers that will be presented at this workshop are important contributions to the development of EU-SILC and the EU social indicators. They will also contribute to the wider appreciation of the uses that can be made of EU-SILC data and to the strengthening of the social dimension of the European Union.

The workshop will be followed by the 2018 conference on "Comparative EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions", also organised as part of this Net-SILC3 international event.

13:30 - 14:30   Registration

14:30 - 15:00   Opening Session: Welcome and introduction

Chair: *Eric Marlier (LISER, Luxembourg)*

Athanasios C. Thanopoulos (Hellenic Statistical Authority [ELSTAT])
Gallo Gueye (European Commission, Eurostat)
Tim Goedemé (University of Antwerp, Belgium)

15:00 - 16:00   Session 1: Income components (1/2)

Chair: *Eric Marlier (LISER, Luxembourg)*

Net-SILC3 main findings and recommendations on the comparability of EU-SILC income variables
Tim Goedemé and Lorena Zardo Trindade (University of Antwerp, Belgium)

EU-SILC vs. national accounts: main findings of the comparison
Veli-Matti Törmälehto (Statistics Finland)

A focus on the measurement of self-employment income: contrasting approaches in EU-SILC (Italy)
Paolo Consolini (Statistics Italy)

A focus on the measurement of self-employment income: contrasting approaches in EU-SILC (Denmark)
Jarl Quitzau (Statistics Denmark)

16:00 - 16:30   Coffee break

16:30 - 18:00   Session 1: Income components (2/2)

Chair: *Eric Marlier (LISER, Luxembourg)*

Panel: *Andrea Brandolini (Bank of Italy); Paolo Consolini (Statistics Italy); Nadja Lamei (Statistics Austria); Teresa Munzi (Luxembourg Income Study [LIS], Luxembourg); Jarl Quitzau (Statistics Denmark); Holly Sutherland (ISER, University of ESSEX, UK); Veli-Matti Törmälehto (Statistics Finland)*
Q/A

Reaction and wrap-up: *Tim Goedemé (University of Antwerp, Belgium) and Didier Dupré (European Commission, Eurostat)*

08:45 - 10:00   Session 2: Production for own consumption

Chair: *Giorgos Ntouros (Hellenic Statistical Authority [ELSTAT])*

Net-SILC3 main findings and recommendations on the validity and comparability of EU-SILC own consumption variables
Tijana Čomić (Institute of Economic Sciences, Serbia)

Lead-off inputs
Rasim Ryustem (Statistics Bulgaria)
Viktors Veretjanovs (Statistics Latvia)

Q/A

Reaction and wrap-up: *Agnieszka Litwinska (European Commission, Eurostat)*

10:00 - 10:30   Coffee break

10:30 - 12:00   Session 3: Non-income components: housing and health variables

Chair: *Panos Tsakloglou (Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece)*

Net-SILC3 main findings and recommendations on the validity and comparability of EU-SILC housing variables
Ross Bowen and Callum Clark (Statistics UK)

Lead-off input
Kristof Heylen (KULeuven University, Belgium)

Q/A

Net-SILC3 main findings and recommendations on the validity and comparability of EU-SILC health variables
Rana Charafeddine and Stefaan Demarest (Scientific Institute of Public Health, Belgium)

Lead-off input
Virginia Maestri (European Commission, DG EMPL)

Q/A

Reaction and wrap-up: *Emilio Di Meglio (European Commission, Eurostat)*

End of workshop - Lunch offered by ELSTAT