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## *Conference Announcement*

# Towards Implementation of SDMX

9-11 January 2007, World Bank, Washington D.C.

Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange (SDMX) is an initiative sponsored by the BIS, ECB, Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UN and the World Bank to develop and promote standards, guidelines and implementation of tools for the exchange of statistical information.

All of the sponsoring organisations are committed to making use of SDMX technical standards and content-oriented guidelines in various statistical compilations and dissemination activities, many of which involve collaboration with national statistical agencies around the world. The SDMX website contains a list of such activities.

In the coming months, SDMX will be preparing an international conference in order to explain its standards-setting developments, to demonstrate practical implementations and to provide introductory capacity-building. Current plans are targeting the three-day conference to be hosted by the World Bank in Washington, D.C. from 9 - 11 January 2007.

The SDMX sponsoring institutions encourage international and national statistical agencies to alert the SDMX Secretariat about their possible interest in participation in the conference as soon as possible. Proposals for contributed papers concerning SDMX standards and guidelines and their implementation are also welcome.

More information about SDMX can be found at its website ([www.sdmx.org](http://www.sdmx.org)). If you would like to participate in the conference, please send an email to [sdmx@worldbank.org](mailto:sdmx@worldbank.org).