Introduction

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Working Group Social Protection
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From July 2012 onwards..(last WG meeting)

- Almost a new team!
- Improvements in statistical production activity
- Improvements in knowledge and use of data by main users
Improvements in statistical production activity

• Structural improvements in dissemination (from CIRCA to the official web site of Eurostat) => item 10 of the agenda
  
• Pension beneficiaries data published for the first time in Eurobase – November 2012

• Qualitative information accessible from the dedicated page for the first time – September 2013

• National quality reports published for the first time as annexes to the consolidated quality reports and published directly in the dedicated page

• Net benefits data (2007-2010) published for the first time in Eurobase – April 2014
Improvements in statistical production activity

• First use by DG EMPL of data by schemes

• Improvements in the webpage dedicated to social protection

• Major IT investment in Eurostat - to become more efficient - now investment with countries in data transmission (SDMX) + validation => items 8 and 9 of the agenda
Improvements in knowledge and use of data by main users

• ESSPROS now well-known in DG EMPL, ISG and other SPC-sub groups (FEE and WG AGE) + DG ECFIN + DG SANCO

• Improved inter-action between users and statisticians (including WG ESSPROS)

• Next: conference to help in elaborating priorities for the future