

8. Task Force on Transport Satellite Account

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Background

- Several countries have expressed interest to learn about benefits, methods, approaches to build TrSA
- Only few countries produce on a regular basis (United States, France)
- Some one-off or irregular exercises (Italy, Belgium, ICAO)
- Methods and approaches differ significantly



France (expenditure – income), USA (supply – use)

□ Common agreement on the approach

- Conceptual framework (supply and use, breakdown of activities, own account transport, household supply and use, physical data etc)
- □ Understanding what can be done with TrSA
- □ What is useful / practical
- □ How long will it take and at what cost



Available Documents

- Work put on hold during Covid
- Summary record of the 2019 TrSA Working Group
- The ITF TrSA Brochure
- Developing thematic satellite accounts", by Peter Van de Ven



Developing thematic satellite accounts

- Peter described a conceptual framework for SA using transport as an example.
- Explains in 10 steps what needs to be done
- It also provides many references to documentation and publications



Main conclusions

- The starting point is the supply and use tables of the NA.
- Probably need to go deeper (breakdown of activities, products, services...), need additional information and data.
- The lack of data will require making (strong) assumptions
- Critical to define a good balance between user demands and practical possibilities.
- Ambitious TrSA will also show where data gaps are and hence help to further develop statistics in the area of concern.



Secretariat would like to know:

- 1. Is Peter's paper answering your need.
- 2. Are there steps that you would like to develop
- 3. Should the TF meet in the short run.



Thank you

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