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## **AGENDA FOR WORKSHOP ON CHALLENGES AHEAD FOR ALBANIA AS A CANDIDATE COUNTRY**

**Location:** INSTAT, Bld Zhan D'Arc Nr. 3, Tirana, Albania

**Speakers:** Gjergji Filipi, INSTAT, Albania  
Torbiörn Carlquist, EUROSTAT  
Stela Ademi, Ministry of European Integration  
Robert Knezevič, CBS, Croatia  
Jelena Marković, MONSTAT, Montenegro

**Date:** 11-12 September, 2014

### **Objective:**

The objective of this workshop is to better prepare the INSTAT management for the concrete challenges in the field of official statistics due to Albania's new status as a candidate country. The idea is to better understand the place and content of the Chapter 18 – discussions within the whole procedure that will lead to negotiations and to prepare the INSTAT management as good as possible for the discussions on the principles of the ESS, avoiding by this unnecessary delays in the whole process for Albania as a candidate country.



## AGENDA

11 September, Day 1	
09:30 - 09:45	Welcome by <b>Mr. Filipi</b> and expression of expected results for the workshop.
09:45 - 11:15	<p>Presentation by <b>Eurostat</b> on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Content of Chapter 18 and on its place in the accession negotiation process</li> <li>- Principles of the European Statistical System (ESS) and the “Code of Practice”, Eurostat monitoring tools on the system of official statistics in EU member and accession countries</li> </ul>
11:15 - 11:25	Short briefing from the <b>Ministry of Integration</b> on the expectation from the Accession process
11:25 - 12:00	Questions / Discussions
12:00 - 12:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
12:30 - 13:30	<p><b>Part one</b> - Presentation by <b>Mr. Knežević</b> (coordinator of the Croatian negotiation team):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organisation of the negotiation team and back up team at CBS Croatia</li> <li>- Main discussion points on the way of Croatia to the ESS</li> <li>- Lessons learnt – what better not to do in such high level negotiations</li> </ul>
13:30 - 14:15	<i>Lunch Break</i>
14:15 - 14:45	<b>Part two</b> - Presentation by <b>Mr. Knežević</b> (coordinator of the Croatian negotiation team)
14:45 - 15:45	Questions / Discussions
15:45 - 16:00	Summarising the results - <b>INSTAT</b>



12 September, Day 2	
09:00 - 10:00	<b>Part one</b> - Presentation by <b>Ms. Jelena Marković</b> (Head of Department for International Cooperation and European Integration of MONSTAT): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Organisation of the negotiation team and back up team at MONSTAT</li><li>- Main discussion points on the way of Montenegro to the ESS</li><li>- Lessons learnt – what better not to do in such high level negotiations</li></ul>
10:00 - 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 - 11:00	<b>Part two</b> - Presentation by <b>Ms. Jelena Marković</b> (Head of Department for International Cooperation and European Integration of MONSTAT)
11:00 - 11:30	Lessons learnt presented by <b>Eurostat</b>
11:30 - 12:30	Questions / Discussions
12:30 - 13:00	<b>INSTAT:</b> Summary of workshop results for INSTAT and concrete conclusions for further work