Recent Developments and Improvements at the IEA

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Some progress since the

1st InterEnerStats meeting?





The "Bermuda Triangle" of Statistics Harmonization Cooperation Improving Data Quality



The "Bermuda Triangle" of Statistics

 The lack of quality data can lead the policy making process towards the wrong policy choices
 A bit like giving up on maps, compass and other guidance for direction when trying to find its way

Why should policy makers rely on anecdotal information to make policy decisions?

- Anecdotal information can be interesting, but the guidance it provides can be fuzzy,
- It often only provide a partial and sometimes "out of context" view of the energy market situation...



The "Bermuda Triangle" of Statistics Is this the guidance policy makers want?





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The "Bermuda Triangle" of Statistics

Drawing the attention of policy makers
 Numerous communication to the Governing Board and committees on the importance of statistics to support policies objectives
 Policy drivers defining IEA's plan of work
 Contribution, with the other 6 JODI partners, to the IEF Ministerial meetings...
 Report Card to member countries on their energy reporting

Raising the profile of statistics

- Securing that statistics issues are present in communications and talking points of our Executive Director...
- Confirming the importance of a strong statistics foundation at policy forums such as the G8...



Harmonization

Harmonisation => Comparability

Comparability => Understanding of market

Understanding of market => Informs the policy decision process



Harmonization

APEC and IEA worked closely for the harmonization of the annual questionnaires

APEC now implemented a slightly condensed version of joint Eurostat/IEA/UNECE annual questionnaires

 Translation and dissemination of IEA/Eurostat "Energy Statistics Manuel"
 English, French, Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese...
 Adds transparency to the data collection system

Work with the IPCC and UNFCCC for the harmonisation of definitions and data quality checks





7 JODI partners working together for an even better JODI

Partnering with APEC, Eurostat and other organisations on
 Training sessions
 New data requirements (e.g. Energy indicators)

Workshop / training with key energy consuming/producing countries/economies (e.g. China, Russia, India, ASEAN...)

 Participation statistics forums: global, regional, local (e.g. Oslo City Group, APEC statistics committee, Canada - Energy Stats workshop...)



Improving Data Quality

Report Cards

- Feedback to individual country on the strengths and weaknesses of their data submission
- → Not to grade, nor compare countries
- Also a tool for communication between statisticians, analysts and policy makers on priorities, issues, resources requirements...

Development and implementation of a web interface

- Easier and secured communication for data submission
- → Flexibility: electronic data transfers or manual data entry
- Immediate feedback from "Inconsistency checks" within and across questionnaires (e.g. input to electricity)
- Transparency: tracking changes in data submission
- ➔ Monitoring tools...







Annual Energy Questionnaires Report Card



Report Card

Country XYZ

2006 Data Cycle*

Gas

Oil

1 - Timeliness

1.1 Submission dates 1.2 Average Response time to queries

2 - Completeness _

2.1 Improvement in data coverage 2.2 Share of Non-specified in totals

3 – Data Quality

*including a comparison with 2004 data cycle

	Oil		Gas		Coal		Renewables		Electricity	
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indicates that the performance in the current cycle was very good, versus good in the previous cycle.

Coal

Renewables

Electricity



Report Card Political and technical actions have led to major progresses



Web Interface





Web Interface





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Inconsistencies report To see the inconsistencies encountered during the check My push parameters To modify the parameters of the push service



Why do we think it is all important...

"To measure is to know."

Lord Kelvin



The Floor is now yours Thank You

