

50th Meeting of the Council of the Heads of Statistical Services of CIS Member Countries and High-level Seminar on Population Censuses and Migration Statistics in CIS Countries



Deputy Chairman of the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan Yusif Yusifov and Head of Department of Population and Gender Statistics Rza Allahverdiyev participated in the 50th Meeting of the Council of the Heads of Statistical Services of CIS Member Countries and High-level Seminar on Population Censuses and Migration Statistics in CIS Countries organized in

Gelendzhik (Russian Federation) on 16-18 October, 2013. Representatives of the Republic of Kirgizstan, Moldova, and Tajikistan, Heads of Statistical Service of Russian Federation, Authorized Representatives of the Statistical Services of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus and Kazakhstan participated in the first meeting. During the meeting following issues were discussed: "Agreement on cooperation in the field of official statistics" signed by the heads of government of the CIS countries; progress of activities of "Program on International Comparison of GDP"; preparation to the implementation of "Global Strategy on Improvement of Agricultural Statistics" in CIS countries; calculation of indicators on GDP and the current practice of CIS countries on Application plan of SNA-2008 version; organization plan of the meeting of experts of national statistical bodies on preparation of Population Census 2020; issues on statistical measurement of the migration processes in CIS countries; activity of the Council of the heads of statistical services of the CIS countries in 2013, activity of Interstate Statistical Committee of the CIS in 2013 and other topics.

At the end of the Meeting of the Council - Heads of Statistical Services of CIS member countries prepared text on the results of the 50th Meeting of the Council for press and adopted decision on organization of next meeting of the Council.

The second High-level Seminar on Population Censuses and Migration Statistics in CIS Countries organized by UNECE and State Statistical Service of Russian Federation.

Representatives of Statistical and Migration Services of some CIS member countries, representatives of national statistical organizations of Austria, Spain and Great Britain, representatives of Interstate Statistical Committee, SSC of the Republic of Azerbaijan, UNECE, International Organization for Migration and experts of Moscow State University participated in the seminar.

The purpose was to discuss among heads of national statistical agencies the challenges related to conducting population censuses and producing statistics on international migration. The objectives were to review the lessons learned with the 2010 round of population censuses; to review the current state of migration statistics; to agree upon a future course of action to improve population censuses and migration statistics.