5th ECO High Level Expert Group Meeting on Statistics held in Ankara, Turkey on 4-5 December, 2012

Meeting was organized by Department on Statistical and Economical researches of ECO and Turkish Statistical Institute. Representatives from the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Republic of Kazakhstan and Republic of Tajikistan participated in the meeting. Moreover representatives of Turkish Statistical Institute, TIKA and SESRIC participated in the meeting.



The President of Turkish Statistical Institute Mr. H.E.Birol AYDEMIR declared a meeting open and greeted all guests. In his speech he gave information about the activity of TurkStat and offered practice exchange among the countries.

Director of the Department on Statistical and Economical researches of ECO Ms. Bayan Adilbekova in her speech gave information about implementation of decisions adopted in the 4th meeting of High Level Expert Group Meeting on Statistics, activities of Department on Statistics, Action

Plan for 2013 and she called all countries to participate actively in the measures organized by Department.

Representative of each countries participated in the meeting were presented presentation about their countries. Representative of the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan Head of Department on Dissemination of Data M. Amirova was presented following information in her presentation: the structure and activity of Committee, social economical development of the Country and future plans, implementation of decisions adopted by ECO, fulfillment of ECOSTAT data base with full data timely and qualitatively. Moreover she offered to update general data on countries, to improve cooperation in the field of statistics and increasing attention on creation of works with users and data dissemination.

Following issues were discussed during the meeting: development mechanism in the region on cooperation in the field of statistics, harmonization of regional statistical methodology and enlargement of potential in the field of statistics, international relation and organization of 6th meeting.

Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Turkey offered their representatives to the Committee on regional harmonization of statistical methodology. Organization of training –seminars are considered for representatives. This type of seminars is appreciated as 1st phase of activities of the Committee, besides training-seminars also it is considered to organize constant meeting on harmonization of methodology.

For the enlargement of relations with International Organizations is offered by the participants.

At the end of the meeting final decision was adopted.