



Introduction

Cooperation and technical assistance activities have a fundamental role in institutional strengthening and in the development of official statistics.

The National Statistical Institute (INE) is responsible for the *preparation and execution of the Spanish general international technical cooperation plans in the area of statistics*, according to the **Law on the Public Statistical Function**.

The **International Relations Directorate**, in conjunction with the **International and Ibero-American Foundation of Public Administration and Policies (FIIAPP)**, is the unit responsible of coordinating the international cooperation activities of INE, in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the **Board of Directors** and the **Master Plan for Spanish Cooperation**.

Activities in the first semester of 2010

Latin America and the Caribbean

Courses and seminars addressed to the Statistical Offices, Central Banks and other Institutions of the Latin American countries

- February 22nd - 26th, seminar on *Science and technology statistics and indicators*, (Cartagena de Indias, Colombia)
- March 15th - May 16th, course on *Fundamentals and practices of household surveys* (On line) - 5th Edition
- March 22nd - 26th, seminar on *Electronic data dissemination*, (Madrid, Spain)
- April 5th - 9th, seminar on *Household budget and living conditions surveys*, (Montevideo, Uruguay)
- May 3rd - 7th, seminar on *Statistical classifications and business registers*, (Antigua, Guatemala)
- May 24th - 28th, seminar on *Data collection*, (Madrid, Spain)

- June 28th - July 2nd, seminar on *the European statistical system: useful experience for Latin American countries*, (Cartagena de Indias, Colombia)

- June 28th - July 2nd, seminar on *Labour statistics*, (Madrid, Spain)

Bilateral and multi-lateral activities

- **Andean Community: General Secretariat and CAN Countries**

March 22nd - 26th, study visit on *Short-Term indicators*, (Madrid, Spain)

March 22nd - 26th, study visit on *Agricultural and environmental indicators and census of agriculture*, (Madrid, Spain)

- **Colombia: National Administrative Department of Statistics**

June 16th, collaboration on *International trade of services*



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Seminar on Data Collection

Madrid, May 24th - 28th 2010

Other countries

- **Dominican Republic: National Statistical Office**

January 18th - 22nd, technical assistance on *Business statistics*, (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic)

- **Dominican Republic: Central Bank**

June 17th, collaboration in the Seminar on *Communication of Economic and financial topics*, (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic)

- **Mercosur countries**

March 27th - 30th, technical assistance on *Statistics in Mercosur countries*, (Rio de Janeiro, Brasil)

- **Venezuela: National Statistics Institute**

June 25th - 28th, technical assistance on *Inventory of statistical activities*, (Caracas, Venezuela)

- **Australia: Bureau of Statistic**

May 10th - 11th, study visit on *Agricultural statistics y water satellite account*, (Madrid, Spain)

- **Korea: Statistics Office**

June 10th, study visit on *Business register and quality*, (Madrid, Spain)

- **Palestine: Central Bureau of Statistics**

May 24th - 27th, study visit on *Population registers*, (Madrid, Spain)

- **Turkey: Statistical Institute**

June 28th - 29th, study visit on *Short-Term indicators and classifications*, (Madrid, España)

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