



# Planning for Next Meetings

## Voorburg Group Meeting 2025

Marcus Fridén and Mathieu Thomassin,  
September 26, 2025

Voorburg Group Co-Chairs

# Overview

- ① Evaluation of 39<sup>th</sup> Voorburg Meeting
- ② VG Bureau Departures and Nominations
- ③ Proposed Agenda and Assignment of Work for 2026 meeting
- ④ VG Bureau and Delegate Tasks Before Next Meeting

# Your Evaluation Feedback

- ① All delegates will be emailed a link to a secure website after the meeting ([https://sc.inegi.org.mx/igc\\_voorburg2025/faces/questionnaireInit.jsp?def=voorburg39.q.xml](https://sc.inegi.org.mx/igc_voorburg2025/faces/questionnaireInit.jsp?def=voorburg39.q.xml))
- ② Complete the short survey within one week of the meeting
- ③ Mexico will compile the results and they will be used to make improvements to future meetings

Thank you to Ariel, Luis, and the entire team at INEGI for organizing this. 😊

## Voorburg Group Bureau

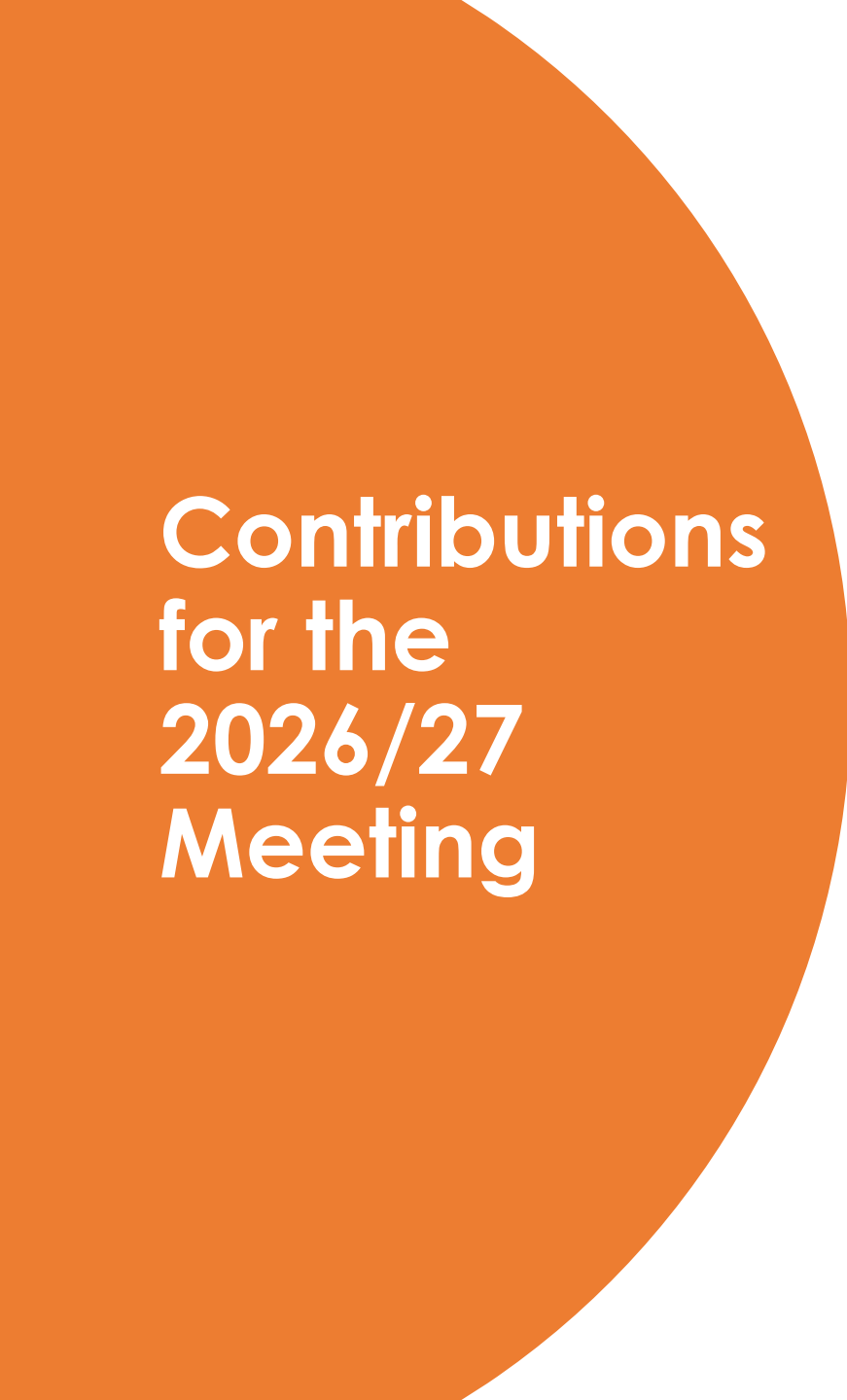
- We would like to thank Furuta Sahoko from Bank of Japan for her years of service on the Voorburg Bureau
- Marcus Friden will be stepping down as co-chair after serving in this role for 6 years. Thank you for all that you have done!
- Mathieu Thomassin will remain as a co-chair
- Welcome new co-chair Rohan Draper
- Welcome new Voorburg Bureau members Yuka KIHO.
- Welcome new Voorburg Bureau members “host country”.

## Members of 2025-26 Voorburg Group Bureau

| Name                        | NSO                |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Rohan Draper, co-chair      | Statistics Denmark |
| Mathieu Thomassin, co-chair | Statistics Canada  |
| Melanie Santiago, secretary | US BLS             |
| Christian Puchter           | Statistics Austria |
| Dorothee Blang              | Destatis, Germany  |
| Mariagrazia Moschetta       | ISTAT, Italy       |
| Ariel Juarez                | INEGI, Mexico      |
| Yuka KIHO                   | Bank of Japan      |
| Vacant                      | Host Country       |

# 2026 Voorburg Meeting

- If you want to host the next meeting (September 2026), please contact the Voorburg co-chairs
- We're working on it—host country details coming soon!

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# Contributions for the 2026/27 Meeting

## How do I volunteer to contribute a paper or presentation for the VG 2026/27 meeting?

Send an email to the Voorburg co-chairs, Mathieu Thomassin ([mathieu.thomassin@statcan.gc.ca](mailto:mathieu.thomassin@statcan.gc.ca)) and Rohan Draper ([RJD@dst.dk](mailto:RJD@dst.dk)) with your name, NSO and topic

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# Topics for 2026

## Industry

Sector Paper: ISIC 829 Business Support Service Activities Not Elsewhere Classified

ISIC 77.4 Leasing of intellectual property

R&D and Intellectual property SPPI

SPPI ISIC 7911 travel agency activities

SPPI ISIC 60 television broadcasting

ISIC 60 television broadcasting vs streaming, significant classification changes

## Deflators

Index of services production (ISP): Poland -experiences – practices in data compilation

How to use quarterly deflators to calculate monthly ISP

SPPI application in the Index of Services Production

Harmonizing output statistics on monthly, quarterly and yearly basis (Sebastian and Dorothee)

Trade in Service Deflators

## Countries

Austria

France

Japan

Croatia, Estonia

Czechia

Poland

Croatia

Malta

Sweden, Germany

UK



# Topics for 2026

## Admin data

Retail trade: practical experience in the use of corporate data (BLS)

US

The use of card transaction data in section G (perhaps also 56.1 and 56.3) for turnover

Norway

## Modern production systems

Programming languages for statistics (R, Python) and packages

France

Streamlining methods, pipelines and IT tooling for turnover statistics at Statistics Netherlands

Netherlands

Use of the piar R-package in calculating price indexes in Statistical production

Canada

## AI

Using Gen AI to calculate price indexes

Canada

## Methodology

How to reassign products classified in the "other" category to real categories in primary statistics

Sweden

Usage of hourly-rate method for SPPI in labor intensive sectors and quality adjustment considerations

Turkey

Progress on quality adjusting office rents (Japan)

Japan

## Manuals

Update on measuring international trade in services volume

OECD

PPI Manual Update

IMF

## Classifications

Reconstruction of time series for new ATECO industries (back casting)

Italy

Back casting from NACE Rev 2 to NACE Rev 2.1

Norway

## Other

Norways new double electronic survey for SPPI (collecting both turnover used for weights and prices in 2 steps)

Norway

# Possible Topics for 2027

## **Industry**

Computer software (CPA 62)

Information Services (CPA 63)

ISIC 68 Rental and leasing of properties

Discussing measurement issues related to ISIC 78 employment services

Mini presentation: SPPI for ISIC 77.2 Rental and leasing of personal and household goods

Financial insurance services

## **Deflators**

ISP - how to measure turnover or other ways to measure production

## **Admin data**

Using admin data to supplement survey data – Bayesian small area estimation

Use of Admin data (BLS)

How admin data could be used to further extend the coverage of STEC (Services Trade by Enterprise Statistics)

## **Modern production systems**

### **AI**

Cloud computing services price index

Impact of AI on the productivity of companies, how is this measured?

Move from SAS to open source, possibly with AI

## **Methodology**

Using repeated variance estimation in calculating variances in price index (Canada)

## **Manuals**

Adoption on SNA guidance (e.g. data as an asset)

## **Classifications**

## **Other**

How survey designs and results change with the new European EBS regulation

Simulation on import price indices on marketing and advertising. Why we do not directly collect data

Digital economy measurement, output & prices

RPPI - Residential Property Price Index

Commercial Rents Service Price Index

House-land splits in Residential/Commercial properties

# VG 2025-26 Follow-up Tasks

## Report to UNSC

Co-chairs report to UNSC to be delivered by November 30, 2025.

## Meeting notes

First draft of meeting notes from Secretary due December 1, 2025  
Session leaders review and comment (if needed) by December 31, 2025  
Final notes to the co-chairs by January 31, 2026

## Updates to 2025 papers

Updates to papers from this year's meeting are due no later than December 1, 2025 – Send to [mathieu.thomassin@statcan.gc.ca](mailto:mathieu.thomassin@statcan.gc.ca)

# VG 2025-26

## Follow-up Tasks

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- **Working group**

Let's consider assigning a team to improve the chatbot developed by Singapore.

- **Future agenda**

Continue to look for the most pressing issues for participants to maintain the relevance and usefulness of the work of the Group

Thank You!!!

# Voorburg

Copenhagen 2025

## 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Voorburg Group

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Statistics Denmark for hosting such a successful meeting.

A special thank you to Rohan Drapper and Bettina Steen Brix for their outstanding contributions.

We're also grateful to all participants for your valuable insights, thoughtful discussions, and active engagement.

We look forward to seeing you again in 2026!

