

Project planning and preparatory work in 2013

Throughout 2013, UNECE's statistical division coordinated activities designed to explore the current situation in statistical organizations with respect to Big Data:

- [identifying the main categories of challenges and opportunities](#) presented by the emergence of Big Data for the official statistics community
- developing a [general classification of Big Data sources and uses](#) with respect to the production of official statistics
- determining current and planned uses of Big Data for official statistics and collating them in an [inventory](#)
- identifying relevant research, experiments, projects and papers: both in the [inventory](#) and in a [list of related resources](#)
- developing a [proposal for a project under the auspices of the HLG](#) (High-Level Group for the Modernisation of Statistical Production and Services) which could help to address some of the challenges and answer some of the questions identified
- refining and adding detail to certain aspects of this proposal ([the 'sandbox' work package](#))
- and finally presenting it to the HLG for approval in November 2013.