
Workshop

“Developing European Labour Market Areas” and training on TTWA method

The Institute for Employment Research (IAB) of the German Federal Employment Agency (BA) and Istat announce a Workshop on the theme of Labour Market Areas development and use.

This will be the occasion to share current initiatives and experiences in the field of LMAs and attend an initial training on the version of the TTWA algorithm by Coombes and Bond (2007) implemented at Istat with the help of members of Eurostat Task Force on “Harmonised Labour Market Areas”.

This occasion will represent also the starting phase for sharing guidelines for harmonised development of labour market areas at EU level.

The focus of the workshop will be on sharing ideas, experiences and present methods and algorithms. Interaction among participants is essential in order to create a group that will collaborate in developing harmonised guidelines and further improve methods in the field of LMAs and their use in official statistics.

1. Dates & place

The workshop will be held on the 15th and 16th June 2016 at IAB :

Institute for Employment Research (IAB)/ German Federal Employment Agency (BA)

Regensburger Strasse 104, Room 160.

D-90478 Nuremberg , Germany.

2. Organisational issue

The participation to the workshop and the training are free of charge for participants. No registration or other fees are charged to participants. Travel and daily allowances are to be paid for by the participant's home organisation.

The organisers have an option for 15 rooms in Motel One Nürnberg City near the central station (Bahnhofstr. 18, Tel. +49-911-2743170, code „IAB Europe“) for 78,50 € (breakfast incl.). IAB secretary can book other hotels at cheaper business rate (between 50 and 60 Euro) and would be pleased to do so for workshop participants (e-mail of the secretary: Viktoria.nussbeck@iab.de , phone: +49.911.179.3095).

3. Provisional programme

The Workshop will start at 9 a.m. on Wednesday 15 of June 2016. An informal get together will be organised on Tuesday evening (further information will be sent to participants). The workshop will end on Thursday 16 of June 2016 at 3pm. A provisional programme is provided below.

Time	Session	Content/note	Speaker
Wednesdy 15 June 2016			
9.00 – 9.20	Partecipants registration		
9.20 – 9.30	Opening		
9.30 – 12.00	Workshop		
	Labour Market Areas at Istat	Work done on LMAs in Italy	Sandro Cruciani, Istat
	The grant: “EU-TTWA methods: improvements, documentation and sharing knowledg activities”	Presentation of the activities foreseen in the grant	Luisa Franconi, Istat
	Small area estimation of unemployment rate at LMA level	The revision of the method for small area estimation of unemployment rate at LMA leve	Michele D’Alò, Istat
	Regional labour markets in Germany		Per Kropp, IAB
	The stability of regional labour markets over time		Barbara Schwengler, IAB
	<i>Coffee break in between</i>		
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch		
13.00 – 17.00	Training and sharing I		
	Each participant presents situation in own country		
	What do we need to create LMA? Sharing definitions, principles, ideas		Luisa Franconi and Sandro Cruciani, Istat
	Steps to be followed to reach the final geography		Luisa Franconi and Michele D’Alò, Istat
<i>Coffee break in between</i>			
Thursday 16 June			
9.00 – 12.00	Training II		
	Algorithm used to identify LMA		Luisa Franconi, Istat
	Description and use of the R package to produce functional areas.		Daniela Ichim, Istat
<i>Coffee break in between</i>			
12.00 - 13.00	Lunch		
13.00 – 15.00	Training II		
	The definition of Industrial Districts		Silvia Lombardi, Istat
	Future: coordination of next steps		Sandro Cruciani, Luisa Franconi, Istat