

All Island Tourism Statistics Liaison Group

Room Document

Proposed Changes to Terms of Reference & Establishment of Technical Sub-Committee

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Purpose:

The All Island Tourism Statistics Liaison Group will play a key role in assessing the needs and priorities of key users of statistics on Tourism. It will also facilitate the effective exchange of information on all areas of Tourism statistics between the main producers and users of such statistics.

Role

The role of the Group shall be ~~to~~to:

- ensure that the statistical system can meet national and regional policy requirements in the domain of Tourism statistics

- ~~there are two systems~~

- ~~1st meeting decided to delete references to national~~

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- promote the development of harmonised statistics on Tourism on an Island of Ireland basis
- is this possible, given different systems-?

- ensure there is effective communication of international statistical requirements
- is this really an issue for this group?

- provide information updates on the progress of all Tourism related surveys

No change

- discuss all aspects of Tourism statistical outputs (reports, internet based results) such as timeliness, relevancy of data, format, future plans etc.

No change

- promote best practice in the compilation of statistics on Tourism

No change

- promote the visibility of Tourism as an Industry

- is this a function of the group ~~— delete?~~

- consider progress on key measurement issues such as the development of TSAs

For discussion

- consider alternative sources for statistics on Tourism

No change

- share information on other relevant areas covering Tourism statistics. Participants of the Group may be invited to make contributions, prepare papers/research

Very important aspect

- discuss other statistical and measurement issues

No change

Membership and Organisation

CSO and NISRA will be jointly responsible for organising meetings and will rotate chairing of the Group. Other core participants of the Group shall include one representative from each of the participating organisations. Participation of the Group may be extended, depending on the subject being discussed, to include more than one representative from any organisation or a participant from an organisation which is not a member of the Group. ~~There will be a rotation every two years of the research institution representative.~~

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Should we review the membership/size of the Group?-

Frequency of meetings : The Group shall meet at ~~twice~~ at least once a year. *Other meetings, at a technical level with more limited membership may take place. Such meetings will be deemed to be formal meetings of this Group and the minutes of such meetings will be circulated and published.*

Such technical meetings will deal with statistical and data issues. Membership will be confined to the key producers of statistical data, namely the Central Statistics Office, NISRA and Fáilte Ireland.

Submitted for the consideration of the Group,

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