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**Ongoing European improvements:**

- **NACE revision**
- **Structural Business Statistics Regulation:**
  - detailed activity breakdown for services
  - product information for business services
  - enterprise demography
- **Foreign Affiliates Trade Statistics Regulation**
- **CPA revision**
Current gaps in services statistics:

- Producer prices
- Product information
- Measurement of productivity
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At a cross road?

- Approaching a balanced coverage
- From a sectoral to a horizontal approach
- Identification of horizontal themes:
  - Knowledge-based economy
  - Internationalisation of services
  - Competitiveness of the services sector
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Knowledge-based economy

- Blurred borderlines between services and manufacturing
- Interactions between suppliers and clients
  - Inter-enterprise relations, networking
  - Demand for Services
- Knowledge Management
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Internationalisation of services

• International sourcing
  ➢ Development of a methodological framework
  ➢ Launching a dedicated survey

• Cross-border Trade
  ➢ Dedicated survey on trade in services in the Internal Market
  ➢ Pilot surveys on inward and outward FATS
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**Competitiveness**

- Services productivity
  - Measurement issues
  - Case studies

- Enterprise dynamics
  - Factors of business success
Issues for discussion:

• Which topics – based on your national agenda – do you consider the most important ones for the future development of services statistics?

• Do you consider it more beneficial for the development of the identified gaps in services statistics (e.g. producer prices, products) to focus the future work of the VG on these topics?

• In case, how to address the horizontal issues in the future?