Executive summary of Statistics Portugal and ONA Annual Activities Report 2017

1. Overview

The development of SP and ONA statistical activity in 2017 had as framework the Annual Work Programme of the European Commission and the SP and ONA Annual Work Programme, and operational documents for European and national medium-term strategies, defined, respectively, in the "European Statistical Programme 2013-2017" and in the "General Guidelines of Official Statistical Activity 2013-2017" (LGAEO 2013-2017).

The performance of SP in 2017 can be assessed by means of:

- The self-evaluation of its QUAR 2017, in which a percentage of 114,266% was achieved, justifying the assigned mention of "Good".

- The implementation of all activities in the 2017 Work Programme made use 612 human resources, with a total expenditure of EUR 30.391.005,06.

- The maintenance of high satisfaction levels of statistical information users, measured by regularly conducted User Satisfaction Surveys, reaching the value of 0,627 SRE (Extreme Responses Balance), in line with the goal set for the year (0,53-0,63 SRE).

2. Some Statistical activities and Surveys developed in 2017 by the SP and ONA could be highlighted

2.1 Concerning the statistical production/dissemination process

a) Concerning **cost and burden reduction on respondents** and the **information collection processes**:

- Continuing the initiatives aimed at broadening the appropriation of administrative data for statistical purposes, in various statistical areas, namely the inter-institutional

coordination in the context of Public Administration and SP's participation in the Simplex+ Program.

- Beginning the regular use of combined CAPI and centralised price collection for the calculation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI), using the Web Scraping method in web sites of retail trade companies.

- Strengthening the use of the new geographic collection support tool (GeoInq).

- Broadening the scope of SIGINQ, making new applications available in the context of household surveys, as well as new WebInq functionalities (SP's platform for web data collection) in the context of business surveys.

- Continuing the return of statistical information to data providers in the context of business surveys.

b) Concerning the **statistical production/dissemination**:

- Releasing 99.3% of all planned statistical information (SP and ONA), and 95.2% on time.

- Preparing the first pilot operation of the 2021 Census.

- Releasing the Projections of resident population for 2015-2080.

- Disseminating the Wellbeing Index (2004-2016).

- Implementing the 2017 module of the Labour Force Survey "Self-employment".

- Disseminating the main results of the Income and Living Conditions Survey (EU-SILC) 2017, namely the Europe 2020 indicators.

- Disseminating the Food Balance 2012-2016.

- Disseminating the results of the Adult Education and Training Survey 2016.

- Releasing indicators on health for the period 2005-2015, on the occasion of the World Health Day.

- Disseminating the Regional Development Composite Indicator (ISDR).

- Disseminating the 5th edition of Territorial Portrait of Portugal and the 12th edition of the Study on the Local Purchasing Power.

- Starting the quarterly release of House Prices Statistics at Local Level.

- Disseminating the Tourism Satellite Account: final results for 2014 and 2015 and first estimate for 2016.

- Anticipating the release of the Environmental Satellite Account – physical energy flow module.

- Incorporating administrative data on the subject of house rents and short-term indicators, in the context of the SIMPLEX+ Program.

- Disseminating the main results of the Management Practices Survey 2017.

- Half-yearly production of data from the Survey on perspectives on exports of goods.

- Concluding the collection of the Farm Structure Survey 2016.

- Disseminating the Sustainable Development Indicators 2016.

- Conducting the Survey on Mobility in the Metropolitan Areas of Porto and Lisboa.

- Disseminating the results of the International Tourism Survey 2015/2016.

- Implementing the data collection regarding the Labour Cost Survey 2016 (four-year survey) [GEP/MTSSS]

- Disseminating the results of the Continuing Vocational Training Survey (CVTS) 2015. [GEP/MTSSS]

- Preparing the new administrative data collection framework regarding teaching staff, researchers and support staff at non-military and non-police higher education public institutions, supporting the statistical REBIDES survey. [DGEEC/Med | MCTES]

- Conducting the small survey on "Lectured hours in environment and tourism-related courses" to higher education teaching staff. [DGEEC/Med | MCTES]

- Disseminating the results of the new statistical operation "Proceedings in Criminal Police". [DGPJ/MJ]

- Preparing the publication "The Figures of Justice 2016". [DGPJ/MJ]

- Disseminating the Energy indicators (2015) and the Average annual electricity tariffs (2016). [DGEG/MEc]

- Releasing the following publications: "Energy in Portugal – 2015" and "Energy in Portugal – Key figures from 2006 to 2015". [DGEG/MEc]

2.2. Concerning statistical cooperation:

- Taking part in relevant task forces at European level, notably on the "Implementation of the amendments to Regulation 223/2009 on European Statistics", Globalization, Big Data, Digital dissemination and communication (DIGICOM), Single Market Statistics (SIMSTAT), microdata exchange, methodological issues related to the Excessive Deficit Procedure, population and housing Census.

- Engaging in highly relevant European ESSnets, highlighting the participation in: "European System of Interoperable Statistical Business Registers (ESBR)", "ESSnet Sharing Common Functionalities", "Centre of Excellence on Seasonal Adjustment",

"Improvement of the use of administrative sources", "Harmonising data validation approaches in the ESS", "Steps towards implementing the definition of statistical units for business statistics through profiling and EGR improvements", "ESS Centre of Excellence on Data Warehousing", "ESSnet Big Data" and "GEOSTAT 3 – a statistical geospatial framework for sustainable development".

- Participating in actions under the "Program of the CPLP for the Training of the National Statistical Systems of the PALOP and Timor-Leste", with the implementation of activities for several countries in the following areas: Coordination, Legislation, Geo-information, as well as Consumer Prices Index and Short-term Indicators.

- Observing the implementation of the Agenda 2030 and the indicators monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), in conjunction with other national coordinating entities, stressing the following activities: releasing the SDG thematic files on SP's website, publishing the press release "Sustainable Development Indicators – Agenda 2030" and preparing the statistical annex to the National Voluntary Report, presented by Portugal on the High Level Political Forum on SDGs (july 2017).

- Continuing the implementation of the Action Plan drawn up in response to the recommendations laid out on the 2015 Peer Review Report, regularly monitored by Eurostat.

3. Human and Financial Resources

SP and ONA allocated to the activities foreseen in the 2017 Work Programme a total of 731 workers belonging to the staff (612 on SP and 119 on ONA), and a total of EUR 33.704.820 (89.7% of SP responsibility).

4. Objectives in the context of the Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR 2017)

The objectives established by SP within its Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR), assessed in this report, took into account SP Mission and Vision, the LGAEO 2013-2017 as well as the Work Programme for 2017:

Effectiveness Objectives
> O1. Extending the availability of official statistical information, improving its accessibility and raising the level of statistical literacy within Society. (LGAEO 2013-2017 – Obj1/LA17 and LA18; Obj2/LA6)

Efficiency Objectives

O2. Pursuing the introduction of collection modes technologically more advanced and user-friendly for the respondent, ensuring time and quality gains. (LGAEO 2013-2017 – Obj1/LA6, LA7, LA9 and LA10)

O3. Intensifying the appropriation of administrative and geospatial data for statistical purposes, aiming, in particular, at reducing the statistical burden and increasing the quality of national official statistics. (LGAEO 2013-2017 – Obj1/LA2, LA3, LA4, LA5, LA10 and LA11)

Quality Objectives

O4. Providing, in a timely manner, official statistical information of quality and relevant to the Society. (LGAEO 2013-2017 – Obj2/LA1, LA4, LA5, LA7)

O5. Improving communication with Society, contributing to a more correct understanding and a better use of the statistical information. (LGAEO 2013-2017 – Obj2/LA3 and LA4)

5. List of other National Authorities (ONA)

- Directorate-General of Education and Science Statistics of the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education (DGEEC/MEd | MCTES);
- Directorate-General for Justice Policy of the Ministry of Justice (DGPJ/MJ);
- Department for Strategic Planning of the Ministry of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security (GEP/MTSSS);
- Directorate-General for Energy and Geology of the Ministry of Economy (DGEG/MEc);
- Directorate-General of Natural Resources, Marine Resources and Safety Services of the Ministry of Sea (DGRM/MM).

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